2013 CLEMSON TIGER FOOTBALL

Clemson (4 USA, 6 AP, 6 BCS) vs. South Carolina (9 USA, 10 AP, 10 BCS)

Game 12: Clemson vs. South Carolina

Saturday. November 30, 2013 Kickoff: 7:06 PM Williams-Brice Stadium Columbia, SC

Television: ESPN2 Mark Jones, Brock Huard, Jessica Mendoza

Clemson: Pete Yanity, Will Merritt, Patrick Sapp

Series: Clemson leads 65-41-4

at Columbia: Clemson leads 49-31-3 at Clemson Clemson leads 16-10-1 Last Meeting: South Carolina 27-17 at Clemson, 2012 Last Clemson Win: 31-14 at Clemson, 2008 Last Clemson win in Columbia: 23-21 in 2007 Streak: South Carolina won 4 in row

CLEMSON 2013 SCHEDULE

| Date | | Opponent | TV | Score/Time |
|-------|----|-----------------------|--------------|------------|
| Aug. | 31 | GEORGIA | ABC | 38-35 |
| Sept. | | SC STATE | RSN | 52-13 |
| Sept. | | at NC State | ESPN | 26-14 |
| Sept. | | 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 | 40-27 |
| Nov. | 2 | at Virginia | ESPN | 59-10 |
| Nov. | 14 | GEORGIA TECH | ESPN | 55-31 |
| Nov. | 23 | THE CITADEL | ESPN3 | 52-6 |
| Nov. | 30 | at South Carolina | ESPN2 | 7:06 PM |

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Clemson Tigers

| Record, 2013 | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| Colors Cler Enrollment Athletic Director | mson Orange and Regalia 20,768 |
| Head Coach | 50 Swinney, Alabama '93 |

| South Carolin | na Gamecocks |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Record, 2013 | 9-2, 6-2 in SEC |
| Location | Columbia, SC |
| Colors | Garnet and White |
| Enrollment | 31,288 |
| Athletic Director | Ray Tanner |
| Head Coach | Steve Spurrier (Florida '67) |
| School Record/ season) | 75-39 (9th season) |
| Overall (Season) | 217-79-2 (23rd season) |
| Record vs Clemson | 6-5 (5-3 as USC coach) |
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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 Swinnney 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, Nrth Carolina

11:40 AM Paul Chyrst, Pittsburgh

11:50 AM Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech 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

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

*MacKensie Alexander (DB), out with groin

·Patrick DeStefano (OL) Out with career ending

·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

·B.J. Goodson (LB) Out with groin injury suffered against The Citadel.

•Travis Blanks (SAF)--Out with torn ACL suffered against The Citadel.

Meeting of Top 10 Teams

Clemson and South Carolina will meet as top 10 teams for the first time in the history of the series. Clemson is ranked fourth by USA Today and sixth by AP, while South Carolina is ranked ninth in USA Today and 10th by AP.

The only series in the FBS that have had both teams ranked in the top 20 each of the last three years are the matchups between LSU and Alabama, LSU and Florida and Oregon vs. Stanford

The Clemson vs. South Carolina rivalry is the only season ending rivalry that has featured three straight top 20 matchups.

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2013 STANDINGS

| Atlantic Division Florida State Clemson Syracuse Boston College Wake Forest Maryland NC State | 8-0 7-1 3-4 4-3 2-6 2-5 0-7 | 7-0 6-1 3-2 5-1 3-3 3-3 3-4 | 4-0 4-0 2-3 2-3 1-4 2-2 0-4 | Over 11-0 10-1 5-6 7-4 4-7 6-5 3-8 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Coastal Division Duke Georgia Tech Virginia Tech Miami (FL) North Carolina Pittsburgh Virginia | 5-2 5-3 4-3 4-3 4-3 3-4 0-7 | 5-2 5-1 4-2 6-1 4-2 4-2 2-5 | 4-0 2-3 3-1 2-2 2-3 2-3 0-4 | 9-2 7-4 7-4 8-3 6-5 6-5 2-9 |

THIS WEEK'S ACC GAMES

| Friday, November 29, 2013 Miami (FL) at Pittsburgh | ABC | 3:30 |
|---|--------------|-------|
| Saturday, November 30, 2013 | | |
| Boston College at Syracuse | RSN | 3:30 |
| Clemson at South Carolina | ESPN2 | 7:00 |
| Duke at North Carolina | ESPN2 | Noon |
| Florida State at Florida | ESPN | Noon |
| Georgia at Georgia Tech | ABC | 3:30 |
| Maryland at NC State | ACC | 12:30 |
| Virginia Tech at Virginia | ESPNU | 3:30 |
| Wake Forest at Vanderbilt | SEC | 12:21 |

NEXT WEEK'S ACC GAMES

ACC Championship Game at Charlotte, NC

Florida State vs. TBA ABC 8:00 PM

Clemson Pronunciations

| Dabo Swinney Stephone Anthony Tajh Boyd Quandon Christian Kalon Davis Patrick DeStefano Philip Fajgenbaum Ammon Lakip Charone Peake | DA-boh SWEE-nee steh-FAHN as in Taj Mahal KWAHN-duhn KAY-lehn deh-STEH-feh-noh FAY-gehn-bahm A-muhn LAY-kihp shuh-RAHN |
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| Charone Peake Darrell Smith | shuh-RAHN DAYR-uhl |
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In the Press Box: Only full time coachi in press box is Danny Pearman. Both coordinators on the field.

Notes on the Clemson Program

•Clemson has been ranked in the top 25 of both polls for 43 straight polls, one of seven schools nationally that can make that claim. The others are Alabama, LSU, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina and Stanford. It is the second longest streak of top 25 rankings in Clemson history. The record is 50 straight polls set between 1986-89. Clemson is fourth by USA Today and sixth by AP entering the game with South Carolina.

•Clemson has been ranked in the top 10 in the nation for 14 straight polls, the longest streak in Clemson history. It is currently the third longest streak in the FBS. Only teams longer are Alabama, and Ohio State. This year's Clemson team broke the previous record of 10 straight weeks set by the 1981 team.

•Clemson has been ranked in the top 20 of the BCS for 22 consecutive polls, the longest streak of its kind in Clemson history. Clemson is one of just five schools that can make this claim. The others are Alabama, Oklahoma, Oregon and Stanford.

•Clemson has been ranked in the top 15 of the AP poll for 25 straight weeks, tying the school record for most consecutive top 15 rankings.
•Clemson has won at least 10 games each of the last three years, the first time Clemson has done that since the 1987-90 era when Clemson had four straight 10-2 records.

•Clemson won 11 games in 2012, the most for the program since 1981. Clemson has never won 11 games in consecutive years. If Clemson can beat South Carolina the Tigers will have accomplished that feat.

•Clemson has won eight consecutive games away from home, the longest winning streak for the program in games away from home since a nine-game streak over the 1978-79 seasons. Clemson's eight-game winning streak in games away from home (includes bowl games) is the third longest in the nation among BCS Conference schools. Only Alabama (14), and Florida State (9) are longer.

•Clemson is 4-0 on the road this year, all against ACC teams. It is the first time Clemson has finished its ACC road schedule with a 4-0 record since 1995.

•Top 25 SEC teams have lost just nine games to non-conference opponents the last three years. Clemson has four of the nine wins over those top 25 SEC teams.

•Clemson has won 18 consecutive games against unranked teams by double digits. It is the second longest streak of its kind in the nation. Only Alabama has a longer streak with 27 straight.

•Clemson has won 21 of its last 24 games with the only losses coming to teams that were ranked in the top 13 in the nation entering the game

•Clemson has won at least six ACC games three consecutive years, the first time the program has done that since 1981-83.

^aClemson has won 31 games over the last three years, sixth in the nation over that time period. Clemson, South Carolina and LSU are tied for sixth with those 31 wins. Alabama has the most with 36

Clemson Ranked Sixth in BCS Standings

Clemson is ranked sixth in the latest BCS Standings. This is the 22nd consecutive BCS poll that Clemson has been ranked in the top 20, one of just five schools that can make that claim. Alabama, Oklahoma, Stanford and Oregon join Clemson as the only schools that

have been in the top 20 of the BCS standings for 22 consecutive polls.

This is the sixth BCS ranking this year and Clemson has been in the top 10 for all six of the polls. Clemson was ninth in the first BCS ranking issued on October 20, then jumped to eighth the following week. Clemson reached seventh place on November 3 and dropped one spot to eighth the next week. Clemson returned to seventh two weeks ago and moved to sixth this week. This is the longest streak of top 10 rankings for Clemson in the BCS rankings since the BCS system started in 1998.

Clemson's highest BCS ranking ever is number-five on October 23, 2011 when the Tigers had an 8-0 record.

18 Straight Wins over unranked Teams by Double Digits

Clemson has been very successful when it comes to facing unranked teams of late. The Tigers 52-6 win over The Citadel on November 23 was the program's 18th consecutive double digit win over an unranked opponent. The streak includes nine games last year and nine games this year. Clemson will not play an unranked team this week as South Carolina is ranked in the top 10 in the nation.

Clemson's 18-game streak is second longest in the nation. Only Alabama has a longer streak with 27 in a row.

Clemson/South Carolina Meet for 111th time

•This will be meeting number-111 between Clemson and South Carolina and the 105th consecutive year the two schools have met. That is the second longest active streak of consecutive years played in a rivalry in the nation. The only rivalry longer is Minnesota vs. Wisconsin at 107 games (including the game already played this year).

•The series dates to 1896 and the first year of football at Clemson, the fourth season for South Carolina. Clemson holds the advantage 65-41-4 since that first meeting in Columbia, a game won by South Carolina, 12-6. Clemson's first win took place the following year, an 18-6 victory in Columbia.

•South Carolina has won four straight in the series. Dating to 1941, each time (five) a team has tried to avoid losing for a fifth straight time in the series, it has won.

•This is the third straight season Clemson and South Carolina have both been ranked in the AP top 20 entering the game. This series is one of just four nationally where that has been the case. The others are LSU vs. Florida, LSU vs. Alabama and Oregon vs. Stanford. The Clemson vs. Florida State series is close, but Clemson was ranked 21st by AP entering the 2011 game with the Seminoles.

•Clemson has more wins over South Carolina than any other school and those victories represent nearly 10 percent of Clemson's all-time victory total (678). When Clemson won in 2004 it was Clemson's 600th all-time win.

•The two teams played in Columbia as part of Big Thursday every year through 1959. For the 57 Big Thursday games, Clemson had a 33-21-3 advantage. Since the teams have gone to a home and home schedule in 1960, Clemson has a 32-20-1 advantage. Clemson's winning percentage is nearly identical home and away over that time. Clemson is 16-10-1 against South Carolina at home since 1960 and 16-10-0 in Columbia.

•The visiting team won seven years in a row between 1991-97.

NATIONAL RANKINGS

Associated Press Top 25

(November 24, 2013)

| Rk | School (First Place) | Rec | Pts | |
|-----|----------------------|------|------|--|
| 1. | Alabama (56) | 11-0 | 1496 | |
| 2. | Florida State (4) | 11-0 | 1444 | |
| 3. | Ohio State | 11-0 | 1375 | |
| 4. | Auburn | 10-1 | 1294 | |
| 5. | Missouri | 10-1 | 1202 | |
| 6. | Clemson | 10-1 | 1196 | |
| 7. | Oklahoma State | 10-1 | 1177 | |
| 8. | Stanford | 9-2 | 1002 | |
| 9. | Baylor | 9-1 | 976 | |
| 10. | South Carolina | 9-2 | 960 | |
| 11. | Michigan State | 10-1 | 929 | |
| 12. | Oregon | 9-2 | 731 | |
| 13. | Arizona State | 9-2 | 690 | |
| 14. | Wisconsin | 9-2 | 684 | |
| 15. | LSU | 8-3 | 642 | |
| 16. | Fresno State | 10-0 | 619 | |
| 17. | UCF | 9-1 | 588 | |
| 18. | Northern Illinois | 11-0 | 470 | |
| 19. | Texas A&M | 8-3 | 429 | |
| 20. | Oklahoma | 9-2 | 386 | |
| 21. | Louisville | 10-1 | 383 | |
| 22. | UCLA | 8-3 | 300 | |
| 23. | Southern Cal. | 9-3 | 262 | |
| 24. | Duke | 9-2 | 135 | |
| 25. | Notre Dame | 8-3 | 68 | |
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Others: Georgia 15, Cincinnati 10, Texas 10, Mississippi 7, Arizona 6, Nebraska 6, Minnesota 5, East Carolina 1, North Dakota State 1, Vanderbilt 1

USA Today/Coaches Top 25

(November 24, 2013)

| Rk. | Team (First Place) | (W-L) | Pts. |
|-----|--------------------|-------|------|
| 1. | Alabama (56) | 11-0 | 1544 |
| 2. | Florida State (6) | 11-0 | 1488 |
| 3. | Ohio State | 11-0 | 1428 |
| 4. | Clemson | 10-1 | 1289 |
| 5. | Auburn | 10-1 | 1268 |
| 6. | Missouri | 10-1 | 1243 |
| 7. | Oklahoma State | 10-1 | 1225 |
| 8. | Baylor | 9-1 | 1009 |
| 9. | South Carolina | 9-2 | 1003 |
| 10. | Stanford | 9-2 | 981 |
| 11. | Michigan State | 10-1 | 962 |
| 12. | Oregon | 9-2 | 777 |
| 13. | Fresno State | 10-0 | 687 |
| 14. | Wisconsin | 9-2 | 661 |
| 15. | LSU | 8-3 | 646 |
| 16. | Louisville | 10-1 | 603 |
| 17. | Oklahoma | 9-2 | 581 |
| 18. | Arizona State | 9-2 | 574 |
| 19. | UCF | 9-1 | 512 |
| 20. | Northern Illinois | 11-0 | 459 |
| 21. | Texas A&M | 8-3 | 410 |
| 22. | UCLA | 8-3 | 257 |
| 23. | Southern Cal | 9-3 | 210 |
| 24. | Duke | 9-2 | 203 |
| 25. | Cincinnati | 9-2 | 47 |

Others receiving votes: Notre Dame 17, Texas 12, Minnesota 12, East Carolina 11, Georgia 8, Nebraska 7, Louisiana Lafayette 6, Miami (FL) 6, Vanderbilt 2, Arizona 2

*Clemson classes who have beaten South Carolina four consecutive years were the seniors of 1900, 1919, 1930, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1983, 1991, 2000 and 2005. In 2005, Charlie Whitehurst became the only quarterback for either team in the series to start four victories.

•Clemson is going for its 50th all-time win in Columbia against South Carolina. It is the most wins Clemson has had on the road in its history. Clemson has won 22 times at Wake Forest and that is the second most.

•Clemson has an overall record of 49-31-3 in Columbia over the years, including a 30-19-2 mark in Williams-Brice Stadium. Clemson has been especially successful in Columbia since 1988. The Tigers are 9-3 in Columbia since then with the only losses coming in 2001, 2009 and 2011.

•This weekend's game will be played on the Saturday after Thanksgiving for the eighth year in a row. Clemson has a 9-7 record against South Carolina when the game is played the Saturday after Thanksgiving or on Thanksgiving Day. The only game played on Thanksgiving was the 1963 contest that was moved from the Saturday before Thanksgiving to Thanksgiving due to the death of President John F. Kennedy.

*South Carolina has won four straight games in the series and in each year the Gamecocks played a non-conference opponent or had an open date the week prior to the game. This year, for the first time since 1979, Clemson played a non-conference game prior to the South Carolina game.

Top 10 Unusual Facts about the Clemson vs. South Carolina Series

10. Twenty-nine is an unusual number for a point total in football. Yet four times in the last 31 years the winner of the Clemson-South Carolina game has scored 29 points. That includes 2010 when South Carolina defeated Clemson 29-7. Clemson beat South Carolina by the same score in 2004. Clemson won 29-10 in 1988 and 29-13 in 1981.

9. Charlie Whitehurst is the only starting quarterback to lead a team to four wins in the history of the series. He did that for the Tigers between 2002-05.

8.Josh Cody had a 4-0 record for Clemson against South Carolina between 1927-30. He is the only coach in the series to have a perfect record, given a minimum of three games coached.

7.Paul Williams is the last player to letter for both schools. He lettered for Clemson in 1978 and for South Carolina in 1980.

6. A Clemson captain actually played for South Carolina. Cary Cox lettered for the Gamecocks in 1943. After the war, he enrolled at Clemson and served as captain for the Tigers in 1947. Cox died in 2008.

5. Clemson had three touchdown plays of at least 76 yards against South Carolina in 2006, yet lost the game. Jacoby Ford scored on 76-yard touchdown pass, C.J. Spiller on a 80-yard run and Jock McKissic on a 82-yard interception return. It is the only game in Clemson history in which Clemson has had three scoring plays of at least 75 yards....and lost the game.

4. In 1948 and 1981 a blocked punt returned for a touchdown proved to be the pivotal play in a Clemson victory, victories that allowed Clemson to go on to an undefeated season. In both instances, the original line of scrimmage was the South Carolina 28-yard-line.

3. Willie Underwood had two interceptions to lead Clemson to victory over South Carolina in 1980. A starter for four years, the strong safety never had recorded an interception in any of his first 46 games as a Tiger, then had two against the Gamecocks in his 47th and final game. One of the thefts was a 37-yard return for a touchdown, the only touchdown of his career.

2. In a placekicking career that spanned five years, Bob Paulling made 107 of 109 extra points. Both of his misses were at South Carolina, one in 1981 and one in 1983. He had a streak of 70 consecutive made extra points (second longest in Clemson history) in between the two miscues.

1. In the 30 games that Frank Howard coached for Clemson against South Carolina, Clemson scored 411 points and South Carolina scored 411 points.

Memorable Clemson Plays vs. South Carolina

- 1948 --Phil Prince blocked a punt and Oscar Thompson returned the ball for a touchdown that gave Clemson a 13-7 win in Columbia and allowed Clemson to keep an undefeated season. The play took place with 4:15 left in the game.
- 1959--Harvey White connected with future Super Bowl Champion Bill Mathis for a 26-yard touchdown pass in the third period to put Clemson up 19-0 in the final Big Thursday game in Columbia. White completed 9-10 passes on the day and led the Tigers to the 27-0 victory.
- 1962--Don Chuy and Billy Weaver combined to sack Dan Reeves for a 13-yard loss on fourth down with just 33 seconds left, preserving Clemson's 20-17 victory. South Carolina had driven to the Clemson 25 for that last play.
- 1966--Harry Olszewski, an All-America offensive guard, picked off a fumbled snap in mid-air and ran 12-yards for a touchdown.
 The 35-10 victory allowed Clemson to win the ACC title. No Clemson offensive lineman has scored a touchdown in a game in Death Valley since
- 1967--Buddy Gore's 43-yard run in the third period led to a Tiger touchdown, and was a momentum swaying play in Clemson's victory over the Gamecocks, a win that allowed Clemson to clinch a tie for the ACC championship. That was the key run on this day that saw Gore become the first Clemson back in history to go over 1000 yards in a season and break Brian Piccolo's ACC single season rushing record.
- 1971--Eddie Seigler kicked a 52-yard field goal to lead Clemson to a 17-7 win over the Gamecocks. It was the first field goal of at least 50 yards in Clemson history.
- 1972--With Clemson leading 7-6 in the fourth period, Jimmy Williamson batted down a Dobby Grossman two-point conversion pass to preserve the victory for the Tigers.
- 1977--Jerry Butler made a 20-yard touchdown catch of a Steve Fuller pass with 49 seconds left to give Clemson a 31-27 win in Columbia. It clinched a Gator Bowl bid for the Tigers, Clemson's first bowl bid in 18 years.
- 1980--Willie Underwood had a 37-yard interception return for a touchdown that clinched Clemson's upset of South Carolina and Heisman Trophy winner George Rogers in 1980. Underwood was named Sports Illustrated Player of the Week for his performance in that game.
- 1981--Just as it had happened 33 years previously, a blocked punt played a big part in a Clemson victory over South Carolina that al-

lowed the Tigers to have an undefeated season. Rod McSwain blocked a South Carolina punt and Johnny Rembert recovered in the endzone for the touchdown. Just as it had been 33 years previous, the line of scrimmage was the South Carolina 28.

- 1988—Rodney Williams, a native of Columbia, led Clemson to a 29-10 victory in his final game at Death Valley. Clemson's winningest starting quarterback in history threw for 192 and rushed for 38 and scored a touchdown.
- 1990--Chris Gardocki made his final punt in Death Valley memorable when he had a 78-yard boot in the fourth quarter to give South Carolina bad field position and clinch Clemson's 24-15 victory over the Gamecocks. It remains the third longest punt in Clemson history.
- 1995--Emory Smith carried South Carolina tacklers 20 yards on the way to a 54-yard run that led to the game clinching touchdown in Columbia. Smith ended the game with 101 yards rushing.
- 2000--Rod Gardner's 50-yard reception from Woody Dantzler with 10 seconds left led to Aaron Hunt's game winning 25-yard field goal with three seconds left
- 2007—Mark Buchholz kicked a 35-yard field goal on the last play of the game, to give Clemson a 23-21 victory in Columbia.

· Clemson's most significant wins in the South Carolina Series

- 1900 51-0 Part of a perfect 6-0 season under first-year head coach John Heisman
- 1928 32-0 Clemson wins battle of unbeatens. Both teams were 5-0 entering the game. Clemson went on to an 8-3 record, a season mark for wins in a season at the time.
- 1939 27-0 Banks McFadden leads Clemson to victory, important win in 9-1 season that ended with win over Boston College in the Cotton Bowl
- 1948 13-7 Phil Prince blocks a field goal late in the game, leading to Clemson victory that preserves unbeaten season. Clemson went on to perfect 11-0 record
- 1956 7-0 A 20th ranked Clemson team downs South Carolina in ACC rival game. Tigers went on to win the ACC Championship.
- 1959 27-0 Clemson wins final Big Thursday game in Columbia behind Harvey White. Tigers went on to 9-2 record and number 11 final ranking and the ACC title.
- 1960 12-2 Clemson wins first game between the two schools in Clemson
- 1967 23-12 Clemson wins game in final game of season to clinch ACC Championship. The last time Clemson won an ACC title by beating South Carolina in final game (it also happened in 1966)
- 1977 31-27 Jerry Butler's catch in final seconds gives Tigers come from behind victory. Victory sends Clemson to the Gator Bowl, its first bowl game in 18 years
- 1980 27-6 Clemson upsets 14th-ranked South Carolina team behind Willie Underwood's two interceptions and 17 tackles. South Carolina had Heisman Trophy winner George Rogers and had won at Michigan earlier in the year. South Carolina was 8-2 entering the game.
- 1981 29-13 Clemson closes out perfect regular season on way to National Championship.
- 1988 29-10 Clemson won battle of top 25 teams in Rodney Williams final home game. Clemson then beats Oklahoma in bowl game to finish season in top 10.
- 2000 16-14 Clemson wins battle of top 25 teams thanks to Rod Gardner's 50-yard reception from Woody Dantzler in final seconds, and a 25-yard field goal by Aaron Hunt with three seconds left.
- 2003 63-17 Clemson's most points scored against the Gamecocks and largest victory margin since 1900. Charlie Whitehurst threw for four touchdown passes and Chad Jasmin scored four.
- 2005 13-9 Clemson defeats 19th ranked South Carolina team in Columbia, only time it has beaten a top 20 South Carolina team in Columbia.
- 2007 23-21 Mark Buchholz booted a 35-yard field goal on the last play of the game to give Clemson a 23-21 victory, the only time Clemson has beaten South Carolina with a scoring play on the last play.
- 2008 31-14 Dabo Swinney defeated South Carolina in his last game as interim head coach, a victory that assured him of retaining the position in a full time capacity.

Swinney Semifinalist for Maxwell Coach of the Year Award

Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney has been named a semfinalist for the 2013 Maxwell Football Club Collegiate Coach of the Year Award. The 16 semifinalists were announced by Maxwell Football Club President Ron Jaworski on November 21.

Swinney and Ohio State Head Coach Urban Meyer are the only repeat semifinalists from last year.

Swinney has led Clemson to a 10-1 record so far this year. The Tigers are ranked sixth by AP and the BCS and fourth by the USA Today Coaches Poll. Clemson finished second in the Atlantic Division of the ACC with a 7-1 record, the second straight year Clemson has been 7-1 in the ACC. The Tigers have been ranked in the top 10 of every poll this year and the 14-week streak of top 10 rankings is the longest in Clemson history.

The sixth year Clemson Head Coach got his 50th win with the Clemson program when the Tigers beat The Citadel on November 23. He has a 50-22 record with the Tigers, including 31-7 over the last three years, the most wins in a three-year period in Clemson history.

2013 Maxwell Award Collegiate Coach of the Year Semifinalists

| Nick Saban | Alabama |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Gus Malzahn | Auburn |
| Art Briles | Baylor |
| Steve Addazio | Boston College |
| Dabo Swinney | Clemson |
| David Cutcliffe | Duke |
| Tim DeRuyter | Fresno State |
| Jimbo Fisher | Florida State |
| Mark Dantonio | Michigan State |
| Gary Pinkel | Missouri |
| Rod Carey | Northern Illinois |
| Urban Meyer | Ohio State |
| Mike Gundy | Oklahoma State |
| George O'Leary | UCF |
| Ed Orgeron | Southern Cal |
| Gary Anderson | Wisconsin |
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Swinney Has Most Wins over SEC Schools Among Non-SEC Coaches

Since Dabo Swinney became the head coach at Clemson in the middle of the 2008 season he has six wins over SEC teams. That is the most in the nation among non-SEC coaches. Swinney is first with six, followed by current Louisville Head Coach Charlie Strong with four. Pat Fitzgerald of Northwestern, Paul Johnson of Georgia Tech, Jimbo Fisher of Florida State and Jim Grobe of Wake Forest all have three.

Four of Swinney's six wins over SEC teams have been against top 25 SEC teams, also more than any other non SEC coach. Since 2011 top 25 SEC teams have lost just nine times to non-SEC teams and four of the nine defeats have come against Swinney and the Tigers. He will have a chance for another when the Tigers face South Carolina on Saturday.

Swinney beat South Carolina in the regular season finale in 2008, defeated Kentucky in the Music City Bowl in 2009, defeated Auburn in 2011 and 2012, LSU in the 2012 season Chick-Fil-A Bowl, and Georgia earlier this year when the Bulldogs were ranked fifth in the nation.

Most Wins over SEC Teams by Non-SEC Coaches 2008-13

| Coach | School | Wins | |
|----------------|----------------|------|--|
| Dabo Swinney | Clemson | 6 | |
| Charlie Strong | Louisville | 4 | |
| Pat Fitzgerald | Northwestern | 3 | |
| Paul Johnson | Georgia Tech | 3 | |
| Jimbo Fisher | Florida State | 3 | |
| Jim Grobe | Wake Forest | 3 | |
| Mack Brown | Texas | 2 | |
| Kyle Flood | Rutgers | 2 | |
| Mike Gundy | Oklahoma State | 2 | |

Swinney Played vs. South Carolina

Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney has an 8-5 all-time record against South Carolina as a player, assistant coach and head coach. Swinney first competed against the Gamecocks In 1992 as a player. It was his senior year. In a 48-7 Alabama victory in Tuscaloosa, Swinney had two receptions for 22 yards, the only game in his career he had more than one catch, and his single game career high for reception yards.

He was then on the Alabama coaching staff that defeated South Carolina in 1993 and 2000. He came to Clemson in 2003 and Clemson has played South Carolina each year. Clemson has a 5-5 record against South Carolina since Swinney came to Clemson. He has a 1-4 record as head coach.

Clemson and South Carolina Both Ranked in top 25

This is the 11th time Clemson has faced a top 25 South Carolina, the fourth year in a row and just the fourth time in Columbia.

As you can see by the chart below it is the third year in a row both teams have been ranked in the top 20 of the AP poll entering the game. Only three other matchups in college football can make that claim

and none of them are considered traditional end of the year rivalries.

This year both teams are ranked in the top 10 of both polls, a first in the history of the series. This will be the seventh time both schools have entered the game ranked in the top 25 of at least one of the polls. (In 1988 the AP did not list a top 25, but did list vote totals. South Carolina was 25th in points entering the game). South Carolina has a 4-2 lead in games in which both teams are ranked in the top 25 entering the contest.

Clemson vs. Top 25 South Carolina Teams **South Carolina** Clemson

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|------------|------|-------------|---------------|----------|--|
| | Year | AP, Coaches | AP, Coaches | Result | |
| | 1979 | 13,13 | 19, NR | L, 9-13 | |
| | 1980 | NR | 14,15 | W, 27-6 | |
| | 1984 | NR | 9,9 | L, 21-22 | |
| | 1987 | 8,8 | 12,12 | L, 7-20 | |
| | 1988 | 15,15 | 25,21 | W, 29-10 | |
| | 2000 | 16,14 | 25, NR | W, 16-14 | |
| | 2001 | NR | 22, 22 | L, 15-20 | |
| | 2005 | NR | 19, 21 | W, 13-9 | |
| | 2010 | NR | 18, 17 | L, 7-29 | |
| | 2011 | 18,17 | 13,14 | L, 34-13 | |
| | 2012 | 12,9 | 13,12 | L, 17-27 | |
| | 2013 | 6,4 | 10,9 | | |
| | | | | | |

Games both teams in top 25 in bold.

Clemson and South Carolina Have Combined for 19 Wins

This will be the second straight year both teams have a combined 19 wins entering the Clemson vs. South Carolina game. It ties for the most set last year when Clemson was 10-1 entering the game and South Carolina was 9-2, the exact same records as this year. Actually the top three combined win totals entering the game for the two schools have come over the last three years, another example of the combined period of excellence for the two programs.

Most Combined Wins Entering the Clemson vs. USC Game

| Year | Clem | USC | Total | Result |
|------|------|-----|-------|-------------|
| 2013 | 10-1 | 9-2 | 19-3 | ?? |
| 2012 | 10-1 | 9-2 | 19-3 | USC 27-17 |
| 2011 | 9-2 | 9-2 | 18-4 | USC, 34-13 |
| 1981 | 10-0 | 6-4 | 16-4 | Clem, 29-13 |
| 1984 | 7-3 | 9-1 | 16-4 | USC, 22-21 |
| 1987 | 9-1 | 7-2 | 16-3 | USC, 20-7 |
| 1988 | 8-2 | 8-2 | 16-4 | Clem, 29-10 |
| 1979 | 8-2 | 7-3 | 15-5 | USC, 13-9 |
| 2000 | 8-2 | 7-3 | 15-5 | Clem, 16-14 |
| | | | | |

Combined Wins for the Programs

Clemson and South Carolina have already combined for 19 wins The record for combined wins for the two programs in one year is 22 set last year when both were 11-2 and both finished in the top 10 of the USA Today polls. That marked the first time both teams finished in the top 10 in the same year.

If South Carolina wins on Saturday it will mean both programs have had at least 10 wins each of the last three years.

Most Combined Wins at End of Season

| Year | Clem | USC | Total |
|------|------|------|-------|
| 2012 | 11-2 | 11-2 | 22-4 |
| 2011 | 10-4 | 11-2 | 21-6 |
| 2013 | 10-1 | 9-2 | 19-3 |
| 1981 | 12-0 | 6-6 | 18-6 |
| 1987 | 10-2 | 8-4 | 18-6 |
| 1988 | 10-2 | 8-4 | 18-6 |
| 1984 | 7-4 | 10-2 | 17-6 |
| 2000 | 9-3 | 8-4 | 17-7 |

Throw out the Record Books?

We always hear the phrase, "You can throw out the record books when these two teams get together." While there have been some upsets in this series, usually the team with the better record comes away with the victory. The team entering the game with the better overall record has a 19-8-1 record in the series since 1981, 70 percent. Four times during that era both teams had the same record.

However, the norm has been broken in recent years. Six of the last eight years the team with the better overall record entering the game has lost. For the history of the series, Clemson has a 40-18-3 record when it enters the contest with the better record, a 69 winning percentage. Clemson has had the better record in 61 of the 110 previous meetings.

The teams have had the same winning percentage entering the game nine times and Clemson has a 6-3 record in those situations.

Thus, Clemson is 47-21-3 (.693) against South Carolina over the years when the Tigers enter the game with at least the same record as South Carolina. Clemson has a 65-41-4 advantage in the series overall, so the Gamecocks have a 21-18-1 record in the series when they enter the game with the better record.

Longest Uninterrupted Series (Must have played every year) (entering the 2013 season)

106 games—Minnesota-Wisconsin (from 1907) 105 games—Kansas-Nebraska (1906-2010)

104 games - Clemson-South Carolina (from 1909)

103 games—Wake Forest-North Carolina St. (from 1910)

102 games - Kansas-Kansas St. (from 1911)

101 games—North Carolina-Virginia (from 1910)#

98 games - Ole Miss-Mississippi St. (from 1915)**^

97 games—Kansas-Oklahoma (1903-97) 97 games—Texas-Texas A&M (1915-2011)

95 games-Michigan-Ohio St. (from 1918)

93 games-Auburn-Georgia (from 1919)*

93 games—Kansas-Missouri (1919-2011)

93 games - Missouri-Iowa St. (1919-2011)

93 games-Tennessee-Kentucky (from 1919)**

93 games—Indiana-Purdue (from 1920)

#Neither school fielded a team in 1917-18 due to World War I.

**Neither school fielded a team

Most Played Rivalries in College Football (entering 2013 season)

| Games | Rivalry | Time Span |
|-------|----------------------------|-----------|
| 122 | Minnesota-Wisconsin | 1890-2012 |
| 120 | Missouri-Kansas | 1891-2011 |
| 118 | Texas-Texas A&M | 1891-2011 |
| 117 | Miami (FL)-Cincinnati | 1888-2012 |
| 117 | Nebraska-Kansas | 1892-2012 |
| 116 | Auburn-Georgia | 1892-2012 |
| 116 | Oregon-Oregon State | 1894-2012 |
| 115 | Stanford-California | 1892-2012 |
| 113 | Army-Navy | 1890-2012 |
| 110 | Utah-Utah State | 1892-2012 |
| 110 | Clemson vs. South Carolina | 1986-2012 |
| 110 | Kansas-Kansas State | 1902-2012 |
| 109 | Michigan-Ohio State | 1897-2012 |
| | | |

Boyd One of Five Finalists for Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award

Clemson senior quarterback Tajh Boyd is a finalist for the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award. Boyd is joined on the list by Derek Carr of Fresno State, Jordan Lynch of Northern Illinois, A.J. McCarron of Alabama and Aaron Murray of Georgia.

Candidates for the award must be college seniors or fourth-year juniors on schedule to graduate with their class. In addition to the accomplishments on the field, candidates are judged on their character, citizenship, scholastic achievement and leadership qualities.

Boyd has completed 233-346 passes for 3248 yards and 29 touchdowns this season. He also has eight rushing touchdowns for 37 total. He averages 338 yards a game in terms of total offense. He currently ranks seventh in the nation in passing efficiency with a 169.8 rating.

Boyd has led Clemson to a 10-1 record this year and a number six national ranking by Associated Press and the BCS, fourth by USA Today. He is in his third year as Clemson's starting quarterback and has a 31-7 mark as a starter. He needs just one more win to tie the school record for a career.

Boyd recently became the ACC's career leader in touchdown passes (102) and touchdown responsibility (126). He is second in total offense and passing yardage and is the only quarterback in ACC history with at least 10,000 yards passing and 1,000 rushing. Boyd needs to finish one class this semester and will graduate in December.

Christian Finishing Strong

Quandon Christian has been Clemson's nominee for ACC Linebacker of the week each of the last two weeks. Perhaps his style suits defending the option, but in games against Georgia Tech and The Citadel, Christian has been in on four tackles for loss. He had two against Georgia Tech and 1.5 against The Citadel. He had just 3.5 entering the Georgia

Christian had a career high 11 tackles against Georgia Tech, then had seven against The Citadel. He also had his first career touch-

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down against The Citadel on a 22-yard fumble return in the second period. That first career touchdown came on his Senior Day. He was the first Clemson player in 15 years to score his first career touchdown on his Senior Day. Howard Bartley did it against South Carolina on a 48-yard interception return in a Clemson victory.

Clemson Records vs. South Carolina Clemson Single Game Records vs. South Carolina

Individual

Rushes: 32, Buddy Gore, 1968 **Rushing Yards:** 197, Ken Callicut, 1974

Rushing Touchdowns: 4, Boo Armstrong, 1918, Chad Jasmin 2003

Pass Attempts:42, Kyle Parker, 2009Pass Completions28, Cullen Harper, 2007Passing Yards:302, Charlie Whitehurst, 2003

Completion Percentage:

(Min 10 attempts) .857 (12-14), DeChane Cameron, 1991

Passing Efficiency

(Min 10 attempts)282.1, Harvey White, 1957Touchdown Passes:4, Charlie Whitehurst, 2003Receptions9, Aaron Kelly, 2007Reception Yards138, Rod Gardner, 1999Reception touchdowns2 by many

All-Purpose Yards: 252, Ken Callicut, 1974
Total Offense 345, Charlie Whitehurst, 2003
Wins by a QB: 4, Charlie Whitehurst, 2002-05

Field Goals: 3, by many (last Mark Buchholz, 2007) **Touchdowns:** 4, Boo Armstrong, 1918, Chad Jasmin, 2003

Kickoff Return Yards: 158, Terrance Roulhac, 1986
Punting Average: 50.0 (5 punts) Chris Gardocki, 1990

Interceptions: 2, Willie Underwood, 1980

Interception Return Yards: 101 (2 Interceptions) Willie Underwood,

1980

Tackles: 27, Keith Adams, 1999

Fumble Recoveries: 2, Bob Coleman, 1960; Tyron Mouzon, 1989

Sacks: 3, Chester McGlockton, 1990

Long Plays

Overall: 88 Kickoff Return, C.J. Spiller, 2009

Rush 80, C.J. Spiller, 2006

Pass:81, Joel Wells to Joe Pagliei, 1954Kickoff Return88 Kickoff Return, C.J. Spiller, 2009

Interception Return 82, Jock McKissic, 2006 Field Goal 52, Eddie Seigler, 1971 Punt 78, Chris Gardocki, 1990

Clemson Team

Rushes: 70 in 1978 **Rushing Yards:** 433 in 1974 Pass Attempts 42 in 2009 **Pass Completions:** 28 in 2007 Passing Yards: 302 in 2003 .867 (13-15) in 1991 Completion %: Pass Efficiency: 233.9 in 1997 **Touchdown Passes:** 4 in 2003 Total Offense: 556 in 1974 Touchdowns: 9 in 2003 **Total Points:** 63 (63-17) in 2003

 Victory Margin:
 +51 (51-0) in 1900

 Field Goals
 3 vs. many

 Interceptions:
 6 in 1971

Interception Return Yards: 104 (3 interceptions

McDowell Needs 155 yards for 1000

Senior running back Rod McDowell needs 155 yards rushing over the last two games to reach 1000 for the season. If he does it will be just the fifth time in Clemson history the Tigers have had a 1000-yard rusher and 1000-yard receiver in the same season. Sammy Watkins already has 1000 yards receiving this year (1144).

There have been 16 1000-yard seasons so far in Clemson history. Raymond Priester, Woody Dantzler, James Davis and Andre Ellington had two 1000-yard seasons over their careers.

The school record is 1,345 rushing yards by Raymond Priester in 1996. He also had the second most in a season with 1322 in 1995.

If McDowell can reach 1000 yards rushing it would make this team just the third with a 1000-yard rusher, 1000 yard receiver and a 3000 yard passer. Each of the last two Clemson teams have done it with Tajh Boyd being the 3000 yard passer.

Clemson Teams with 1000-Yard Rusher and 1000-yard Receiver

| year | Rusner | <u> </u> |
|------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 2000 | Woody Dantlzer (1028) | Rod Gardner (1050) |
| | Travis Zachery (1027) | |
| 2007 | James Davis (1064) | Aaron Kelly (1081) |
| 2011 | Andre Ellington (1178) | Sammy Watkins (1219) |
| 2012 | Andre Ellington (1081) | DeAndre Hopkins (1405) |

Over 100 Touchdowns for Boyd

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd threw five touchdown passes in the win over The Citadel on November 23 and that performance gave him 102 for his career. Boyd became the 18th quarterback in FBS history to reach 100 touchdown passes in a career. Later that day Derek Carr of Fresno State joined him and also has 102 touchdowns.

Boyd is now tied for 14th in NCAA history with 102 touchdowns. He is tied with Carr, former Central Michigan quarterback Dan LeFevour and current Old Dominion quarterback Taylor Heinicke. Aaron Murray has the most touchdown passes among active FBS quarterbacks with 121. But, his season is over as he suffered a season ending knee injury November 23 against Kentucky. Next on the list for Boyd (and the others with 102) is Russell Wilson, who played 50 games at NC State and Wisconsin combined and threw 109 touchdown passes.

The record is 155 by Case Keenum of Houston, who played from 2007-11.

FBS Players with 100 Touchdown Passes in a Career

| Rk | Name | School | Years | GP | Tds |
|-----|-----------------|----------------|---------|----|-----|
| 1. | Case Keenum | Houston | 2007-11 | 57 | 155 |
| 2. | Kellen Moore | Boise State | 2008-11 | 53 | 142 |
| 3. | Graham Harrell | Texas Tech | 2005-08 | 45 | 134 |
| 4. | Colt Brennan | Hawaii | 2005-07 | 38 | 131 |
| 5. | Landry Jones | Oklahoma | 2009-12 | 52 | 123 |
| 6. | Ty Detmer | BYU | 1988-91 | 46 | 121 |
| | Aaron Murray | Georgia | 2010-13 | 52 | 121 |
| 8. | Timmy Change | Hawaii | 2000-04 | 53 | 117 |
| 9. | Matt Barkley | Southern Cal | 2009-12 | 47 | 116 |
| 10. | Tim Rattay | Louisiana Tech | 1997-99 | 33 | 115 |
| 11. | Danny Wuerffel | Florida | 1993-96 | 46 | 114 |
| 12. | Colt McCoy | Texas | 2006-09 | 53 | 112 |
| 13. | Russell Wilson | NC State/Wis. | 2008-11 | 50 | 109 |
| 14. | Tajh Boyd | Clemson | 2010-13 | 45 | 102 |
| | Dan LeFevour | C. Michigan | 2006-09 | 53 | 102 |
| | Derek Carr | Fresno State | 2010-13 | 43 | 102 |
| | Taylor Heinicke | Old Dominion | 2011-13 | 34 | 102 |
| 18. | Chase Daniel | Missouri | 2005-08 | 51 | 101 |
| 19. | Chad Pennington | Marshall | 1997-99 | 39 | 100 |

Boyd Nation's Top Quarterback in November

Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney always tells his team "to finish." Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd has taken that to heart this year. In the month of November, Boyd has completed 65-83 passes for 1005 yards with 12 touchdowns and just two interceptions. That computes to a 221.9 passing efficiency, the best in the nation for the month of November.

In fact it is first by a wide margin when comparing quarterbacks at BCS conference schools. Brett Hundley of UCLA has the second best efficiency figure among BCS conference school quarterbacks with a 174.5.

Boyd has finished fast each of the last two years. In 2012 he was fifth in the nation in passing efficiency for the month of November with a 178.79 figure. Last year he was 75-117 for 1214 yards with 14 touchdowns and seven interceptions.

So over the last two years, Boyd is 140-200 for 2219 yards with 26 touchdowns and nine interceptions in the month of November. That computes to a 201.1 passing efficiency.

National Leaders in Passing Efficiency in November

| Rk | Player | School | Com-Att-Yds-TD-In | Eff |
|-----|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|
| 1. | Tajh Boyd | Clemson | 65-83-1005-12-2 | 221.91 |
| 2. | Terrance Broadway | La-Lafayettte | 32-49-650-7-2 | 215.72 |
| 3. | Matt Johnson | Bowling Green | 45-66-745-8-3 | 193.91 |
| 4. | Derek Carr | Fresno State | 99-138-1374-14-0 | 188.86 |
| 5. | Terrance Owens | Toledo | 46-73-838-2 | 185.59 |
| 6. | Jordan Lynch | Northern Illinois | 53-67-707-3-0 | 182.52 |
| 7. | Rakeem Cato | Marshall | 83-137-1235-17-1 | 175.80 |
| 8. | Shane Carden | East Carolina | 101-146-1250-16-2 | 174.52 |
| 9. | Brett Hundley | UCLA | 68-97-912-8-1 | 174.24 |
| 10. | Blake Borties | UCF | 65-92-949-5-1 | 173.07 |

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Four Defensive Touchdowns

Clemson has four defensive returns for touchdowns this year, the most by a Clemson team since 2006. It started with two interception returns for scores against South Carolina State in the second game of the year. Martin Jenkins had a 52-yard interception return for a score against South Carolina State in the first period. Then on the next possession Darius Robinson had a pick six from 35 yards for a score. It was the first time in school history Clemson had two interception returns for a touchdown in the same game.

Vic Beasley then got into the act with a 13-yard fumble return for a score against Boston College. That gave Clemson a 24-14 lead in the fourth period, the eventual final score. Then Christian gave the defense four scores with his fumble return against The Citadel.

If Clemson defeats South Carolina...

•Tajh Boyd would tie Rodney Williams for the Clemson record for victories by a starting quarterback. Boyd has 31 entering the South Carolina game and Williams had 32 between 1985-88.

•Boyd would set the record for wins over ranked teams in a career. Boyd has seven along with Charlie Whitehurst and Williams entering the South Carolina game.

•Clemson's senior class would have 38 wins, most by a Clemson senior class since the seniors of 1991 had 39.

•Would give the program nine straight wins away from home, most since the Tigers had nine in a row from 1978-79. Record is 10 in a row from 1939-40.

•Would give Clemson a 5-0 record on the road in the regular season for the first time since 1995.

 Would give Clemson 11 wins in consecutive seasons for the first time ever. It would be just the fourth season with at least 11 wins in Clemson history.

•Would give Dabo Swinney 10 wins over top 25 teams as Clemson head coach. He would move ahead of Frank Howard into third place among Clemson coaches in top 25 victories.

Clemson Offense at Near Record Pace

The Clemson offense set 100 records last year on a team and individual basis. The 2013 version has been just as effective if not more so. Right now, this Clemson offense is on pace to be the best in school history in terms of total offense, scoring average, passing yards per game and completion percent. Clemson's +22.1 scoring margin is on pace to be the sixth best in school history, but the best since 1950 when the Tigers had a +26.7 points per game.

Clemson 2013 Offense Chasing the Record Book

| Category | 2013 | CU Rank | Existing Record |
|--------------------|--------|---------|-----------------|
| Passing Yards/G | 338.8 | 1st | 321.6 (2012) |
| Points/Game | 42.3 | 1st | 41.0 (2012) |
| Completion % | .685 | 1st | .671 (2012) |
| Passing Efficiency | 165.24 | 1st | 163.1 (2012) |
| Total Offense/G | 515.6 | 1st | 512.7 (2012) |
| Yards/Play | 6.27 | 3rd | 6.50 (2006) |
| Scoring Margin | +22.1 | 6th | +35.3 (1900) |
| First Downs/Game | 25.9 | 2nd | 26.2 (2012) |

Swinney Gets 50th Win

Head Coach Dabo Swinney got his 50th win at Clemson with the 52-6 win over The Citadel on November 23, 2013, just three days after his 44th birthday. He is the fourth coach in Clemson history to reach 50 wins. The others to do it are Frank Howard (165), Danny Ford (96) and Tommy Bowden (72). Three of the four are Alabama graduates. Only Tommy Bowden (West Virginia) is not.

Swinney reached 50 wins in the second fewest games with 72. It took Danny Ford just 65 games to reach 50 wins. Of course Ford got off to a quick start, winning the National Championship in 1981 in his third year and he followed that with 9-1-1 records in 1982 and 1983. Ford got his 50th win in a 35-34 win over NC State in 1984.

Bowden took 83 games to reach 50 wins. He got that 50th win against his father, Bobby Bowden, in a 35-14 win over Florida State in 2005. And Howard got his 50th win in his 92nd game, a 33-20 win over Duquesne in 1949.

Clemson's Winningest Coaches

| Coach | Record | Tenure | Games taken for 50th Win | |
|--------------|------------|----------|--|---|
| Frank Howard | 165-118-12 | 1940-69 | 92 nd , 33-20 vs. Duquesne 1949 | |
| Danny Ford | 96-29-4 | 1978-89 | 65th, 35-34 vs. NC State, 1984 | |
| Tommy Bowden | 72-45 | 1999-08 | 83 rd , 35-14 vs. FSU, 2005 | |
| Daby Swinney | 50-22 | 2008-Pr. | 72nd, 52-6 vs. The Citadel, 2013 | 3 |
| Tommy Bowden | 72-45 | 1999-08 | 83 rd , 35-14 vs. FSU, 2005 | |

Clemson one of 10 Teams Unbeaten on the Road

Ten FBS teams are unbeaten on the road so far this year. Clemson is one of those teams with a 4-0 ledger. The Tigers have one more road game left, at South Carolina on November 30.

Clemson has already clinched its first perfect record on the road in ACC play since 1995. That year was also the last time Clemson had a full regular season undefeated road record as the Tigers also won at South Carolina that year to finish 5-0 on the road in an 8-4 season.

Clemson has won eight consecutive games away from home, seven on the opponent's home field and one in the Georgia Dome in the Chick-Fil-A Bowl. That is Clemson's most consecutive wins away from home since a nine-game streak over the 1978-79 seasons. The school record is 10.

Here is a list of the 10 teams that are undefeated on the road so far this year: Northern Illinois (7-0), UCF (5-0), Clemson (4-0), Ohio State (4-0), Missouri (5-0), Louisville (4-0), Fresno State (4-0), Florida State (4-0), Alabama (3-0), and Duke (3-0).

Watkins Clemson all-time Leader in Reception Yards

Junior wide receiver Sammy Watkins became Clemson's career reception yardage leader in the win over The Citadel on November 23. He had seven catches for 58 yards and now has 3071 for his career.

Watkins has 1144 yards for the year and became just the second player in Clemson history with a pair of 1000-yard receiving seasons when he went over that milestone in Clemson's win over Georgia Tech. Rod Gardner also had a pair of 1000-yard seasons in 1999 and 2000.

A look to the ACC career reception leaders shows that Watkins is fourth in career catches and sixth in career yardage for the league that is in its 61st year of operation.

Watkins has been setting records left in right lately. He also broke Hopkins record for 100-yard receiving games in a season with his 104-yard, two-touchdown performance against Georgia Tech. It was his seventh of the year. Hopkins and Tony Horne (1997) had six 100-yard games in a season previously.

One record Watkins is still chasing is the career touchdown reception record. Watkins has 10 this year and 25 for his career. Hopkins had 27 from 2010-12. Watkins is also second in total career receptions with 217. Aaron Kelly had 232 from 2005-08. It would take 15 catches over two games for Watkins to reach that record.

ACC Career Leaders in Receptions

| Rk | Player, School | Years | <u>Yards</u> | Avg | TD | Rec |
|----|---------------------------------|---------|--------------|------|----|-----|
| 1. | Connor Vernon, Duke | 2009-12 | 3749 | 13.2 | 21 | 283 |
| 2. | Aaron Kelly, Clemson | 2005-08 | 2733 | 11.8 | 20 | 232 |
| 3. | Michael Campanaro, WF | 2010-13 | 2506 | 10.9 | 14 | 229 |
| 4. | Sammy Watkins, Clemson | 2011-13 | 3071 | 14.1 | 25 | 217 |
| 5. | Desmond Clark, WF | 1995-98 | 2834 | 13.1 | 20 | 216 |
| 6. | Billy McMullen, Virginia | 1999-02 | 2978 | 14.2 | 24 | 210 |
| 7. | Peter Warrick, FSU | 1996-99 | 3517 | 17.0 | 31 | 207 |
| | Donovan Varner, Duke | 2008-11 | 2660 | 12.9 | 13 | 207 |
| 9. | DeAndre Hopkins, Clemson | 2010-12 | 3020 | 14.7 | 27 | 206 |

ACC Career Leaders in Reception Yards

| Rk | Player, School | Years | Rec | Avg. TD | <u>Yards</u> |
|----|----------------------------|---------|-----|---------|--------------|
| 1. | Conner Vernon, Duke | 2009-12 | 283 | 13.2 21 | 3749 |
| 2. | Peter Warrick, FSU | 1996-99 | 207 | 17.0 31 | 3517 |
| 3. | Torry Holt, NC State | 1995-98 | 191 | 17.7 31 | 3379 |
| 4. | Clarkston Hines, Duke | 1986-89 | 189 | 17.6 38 | 3318 |
| 5. | Jericho Cotchery, NC State | 2000-03 | 200 | 15.6 21 | 3119 |
| 6. | Sammy Watkins, Clemson | 2011-13 | 217 | 14.1 25 | 3071 |
| 7. | DeAndre Hopkins, Clemson | 2010-12 | 206 | 14.7 27 | 3020 |

Clemson Career Leaders in Reception

| HK | Player, Pos | rears | yaras | Avg. | עו | <u> Rec</u> |
|-----|----------------------|---------|-------|------|----|-------------|
| 1. | Aaron Kelly, WR | 2005-08 | 2733 | 11.8 | 20 | 232 |
| 2. | Sammy Watkins, WR | 2011-13 | 3013 | 14.1 | 25 | 217 |
| 3. | DeAndre Hopkins, WR | 2010-12 | 3020 | 14.8 | 27 | 206 |
| 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 | <u>Yards</u> |
|----|----------------------|---------|-----|--------------|
| 1. | Sammy Watkins, WR | 2011-13 | 217 | 3071 |
| 2. | DeAndre Hopkins, WR | 2010-12 | 206 | 3020 |
| 3. | Aaron Kelly, WR | 2005-08 | 232 | 2733 |
| 4. | Terry Smith, WR | 1990-93 | 162 | 2681 |
| 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 |
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Catanzaro Breaks Gardocki Record

Clemson kicker Chris Gardocki established a Clemson record in the Tigers 55-31 win over Georgia Tech. The original walk-on from Greenville, SC made a pair of field goals of at least 40 yards and thus became Clemson's career leader in field goals of 40 yards or more. He made a 40-yarder and a career long 51-yarder in the first quarter to give Clemson a 6-0 lead.

The 51-yarder was his 24^{th} field goal of at least 40 yards as a Tiger, breaking the record of 23 from at least 40 yards by Chris Gardocki, who was an All-American for the Tigers between 1988-90.

Catanzaro is now second in ACC history in career scoring with 395 points. He has made 66 field goals and 191 extra points for those 395 points. The all-time leader is Dustin Hopkins of Florida State, who had 466 points between 2009-12.

Catanzaro is second among active FBS players in points scored with those 395. Aaron Jones of Baylor is the only player with more. He has 425 for the high scoring Baylor Bears.

Catanzaro is 12-13 on field goals this year after going 18-19 last year. He is also a perfect 54-54 on extra points this year. So, he has kicked the ball 67 times in 2013 and it has gone through the uprights, 66 times. He made his last eight field goals of 2011, so he has now made 38 of his last 40 field goals.

Clemson Career Scoring Leaders

| Rk | Player | Years | TD | PAT | FG-A | TP |
|----|------------------------|---------|----|---------|--------|-----|
| 1. | Chandler Catanzaro, PK | 2010-13 | 0 | 197-201 | 66-81 | 395 |
| 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 |

Tigers Still Lead Nation in Tackles for Loss

Clemson had 10 tackles for loss in the win over The Citadel and continues to lead the nation in tackles for loss per game. Clemson has 105 tackles for loss as a team for the 11 games so far this year and that 9.6 per game is ahead of Baylor, who is second with 8.6 tackles for loss per game. Clemson has 14 more tackles for loss than any other team.

The Clemson record for tackles for loss in a season is 119 by the 1991 Tigers that were led by Levon Kirkland, Chester McGlockton, Rob Bodine and Ed McDaniel. The Clemson record on a per game basis is 10.2 set by the 2004 Tigers.

Leading the way this year is Vic Beasley with 17 total tackles for loss, sixth best in the nation. He also has 10 sacks. Linebacker Stephone Anthony has 12.5 tackles for loss, including four sacks, while freshman Shaq Lawson and junior Corey Crawford have nine apiece.

But it has been a team effort as 25 different players have been involved in a tackle for loss, including 13 different players who have been in on a sack.

Watkins Finalist for Biletnikoff Award

Clemson wide receiver Sammy Watkins has been named one of three finalists for the Biletnikoff Award, which is given to the top receiver in college football.

Watkins has 78 receptions for 1144 yards and 10 touchdowns so far this year. He has had seven 100-yard receiving games, all against FBS opponents.

Watkins is one of four different Clemson players who have been named at least a semifinalist for nine position awards this year.

Quarterback Tajh Boyd is a finalist for the Johnny Unitas Award, which goes to the top senior quarterback in the nation. Vic Beasley has been a semifinalist for three awards and Spencer Shuey was a semifinalist for the Lott Trophy.

Clemson National Award Semifinalists

| Player | POS | Finai # | <u>Award</u> |
|---------------|-----|---------|--------------------------------|
| Tajh Boyd | QB | 16 | Maxwell Trophy |
| | | 15 | Walter Camp Player of the Year |
| | | 16 | Davey O'Brien Award |
| | | 5 | Johnny Unitas Award |
| Vic Beasley | DE | 18 | Ted Hendricks Award |
| | | 16 | Bednarik Award |
| | | 12 | Lombardi Award |
| Sammy Watkins | WR | 3 | Biletnikoff Award |
| Spencer Shuey | LB | 20 | Lott Trophy |

Boyd and Watkins One-Two in Tiger ACC POW Selections

Tajh Boyd and Sammy Watkins have each been named ACC Player of the Week for their respective positions three times this year. Boyd has been named ACC Offensive Back of the Week nine times in his Clemson career, more than any other Tiger in history. Watkins has been named the ACC Receiver of the Week seven times, tied for the second most ACC Player of the Week selections with former Clemson linebacker Keith Adams. Watkins has been named Receiver of the Week more than any other former Tiger.

Clemson Most Career Selections as ACC Player of the Week

| Rk | Name | Pos | Years | POTW |
|----|------------------|-----|---------|------|
| 1. | Tajh Boyd | QB | 2010-13 | 9 |
| 2. | Sammy Watkins | WR | 2011-13 | 7 |
| | Keith Adams | LB | 1998-00 | 7 |
| 4. | Woodrow Dantzler | QB | 1998-01 | 6 |
| | C.J. Spiller | RB | 2006-09 | 6 |
| 6. | Stacy Long | OT | 1986-90 | 5 |
| | Anthony Simmons | LB | 1995-97 | 5 |
| | Thomas Austin | OL | 2006-09 | 5 |

Humphries Best Punt Returner Since Spiller

Adam Humphries took over the punt return duties during the first game of the season and he has proven to be a reliable return man. His 10.7 punt return average is currently 22nd best in the nation and the best by a Clemson player since C.J. Spiller and Jacoby Ford handled the duties in 2009.

Humphries has 204 punt return yards on 19 returns so far this season. Last year Clemson had just 99 punt return yards for a 4.3 average the entire season. The 2011 team had just 90 punt return yards. So Humphries has more punt return yards this year than the Clemson team has had the last two years combined.

The last Tiger to average at least 10.7 yards per punt return were Spiller and Ford in 2009. Spiller averaged 26.3 yards per return on eight attempts in 2009 and Ford averaged 14.3 yards on 10 punt returns that year. Clemson averaged 14.4 yards a punt return for that year and had 374 total punt return yards.

Final Regular Season Game for Seniors

Heading into Saturday's game at South Carolina, this senior class of 19 players has a 37-14 overall record, including a 31-7 mark the last three years. The 37 wins are tied for the fourth most in Clemson history and the most since the senior class of 1991 finished with a 39-8-1 record. This year's class can catch that 1991 group by winning its last two games and also stand second in overall victories.

This 2013 senior class already has a significant class record on its resume. The 55-31 win over Georgia Tech on November 14 gave this class a 24-8 record in ACC regular season play, the **most conference** wins for a Senior class in school history. The previous mark was 23 wins by the 2012 seniors.

And, finally, the win over The Citadel gave this senior group a 24-4 record at home, tied for the most wins in a four-year period with the 2012 seniors, who were also 24-4.

Clemson's Top Four-Year Records for Senior Classes Total Wins

| l | IUlai | WIIIS | |
|----|-------|-------|---------|
| Rk | Class | Pct | W-L-T |
| 1. | 1990 | .833 | 40-8 |
| 2. | 1991 | .823 | 39-8-1 |
| 3. | 1989 | .813 | 38-8-2 |
| 4. | 1984 | .844 | 37-6-2 |
| | 2013 | .725 | 37-14 |
| | 1981 | .787 | 37-10 |
| 7. | 1983 | .822 | 36-7-2 |
| | 2012 | .679 | 36-17 |
| 9. | 1982 | .772 | 35-10-1 |
| l | | | |

| Regular Season Conference Wins | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|------|--------|--|
| Rk | Class | Pct | W-L-T | |
| 1. | 2013 | .750 | 24-8 | |
| 2. | 2012 | .719 | 23-9 | |
| 3. | 1991 | .804 | 22-5-1 | |
| | 1989 | .804 | 22-5-1 | |
| | 1990 | .786 | 22-6 | |
| 6. | 1988 | .768 | 21-6-1 | |
| 7. | 1996 | .656 | 21-11 | |
| 8. | 2011 | .625 | 20-12 | |
| | 1997 | .625 | 20-12 | |
| | 2009 | .625 | 20-12 | |
| | 1968 | 788 | 20-5-1 | |

| Home | Wine |
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| Rk | Class | Pct | W-L-T |
|----|-------|------|--------|
| 1. | 2012 | .857 | 24-4 |
| | 2013 | .857 | 24-4 |
| 3. | 2011 | 821 | 23-5 |
| | 1990 | .885 | 23-3 |
| 5. | 1984 | .880 | 22-1-2 |
| | 1991 | .900 | 22-2-1 |
| | 1993 | .865 | 22-3-1 |
| 8. | 1983 | .880 | 21-2-2 |
| | 2009 | .750 | 21-7 |
| | 2010 | .750 | 21-7 |
| | 1992 | .860 | 21-3-1 |
| | | | |

Clemson 2013 Seniors

| # | Player | Pos. | <u>Hometown</u> |
|----|---------------------|-------|------------------|
| 10 | *Tajh Boyd | QB | Hampton, VA |
| 64 | *Darrell Brevard | OG | Rock Hill, SC |
| 39 | *Chandler Catanzaro | PK | Greenville, SC |
| 34 | *Quandon Christian | LB | Lake View, SC |
| 52 | *Phillip Fajgenbaum | LS | Raleigh, NC |
| 84 | Wes Forbush | WR | Johnson City, TN |
| 54 | *Zach Fulmer | DE | Saluda, SC |
| 38 | *C.J. Jones | CB | Lincolnton, GA |
| 25 | *Roderick McDowell | RB | Sumter, SC |
| 14 | *Donny McElveen | QB | Summerville, SC |
| 38 | *Julian Patton | WR | Rock Hill, SC |
| 87 | Matt Porter | WR | Charleston, SC |
| _8 | Darius Robinson | CB | College Park, GA |
| 62 | *Tyler Shatley | OG | Icard, NC |
| 33 | *Spencer Shuey | LB | Charlotte, NC |
| 40 | *Darrell Smith | FB/TE | Gadsden, AL |
| 63 | *Brandon Thomas | OT | Spartanburg, SC |
| 60 | Cody Thurlow | С | Central, SC |
| 36 | Jarrodd Williams | DB | Central, SC |
| | | | |

Clemson .725 Winning Percentage This Decade

Clemson has a .725 winning percentage (37-14) for the second decade of this century and that is the second best over Clemson history. There are many more games to be played this decade of course, but only the decade of the 1980s is better.

In the 1980s Clemson had a .767 winning percentage under Danny Ford, the fifth best winning percentage in college football for that time period. Clemson won .658 percent of its games in the 1950s under Frank Howard, 15th best in the nation for that decade.

Clemson Football Record by Decade

| | Decade | Record | Pct | Winning Season |
|---|--------|------------|------|----------------|
| | 1980s | 87-25-4 | .767 | 9-0-1 |
| : | 2010s | 37-14 | .725 | 3-1-0 |
| | 1950s | 64-32-5 | .658 | 7-2-1 |
| | 1890s | 11-6-0 | .647 | 3-0-1 |
| | 1900s | 40-21-7 | .640 | 7-1-2 |
| : | 2000s | 79-47-0 | .627 | 10-0-0 |
| | 1990s | 69-47-1 | .594 | 6-3-1 |
| | 1930s | 51-37-7 | .574 | 5-3-2 |
| | 1940s | 51-38-5 | .559 | 4-5-1 |
| | 1910s | 42-35-6 | .542 | 5-3-2 |
| | 1960s | 50-48-2 | .510 | 5-2-3 |
| | 1970s | 56-54-3 | .509 | 4-6-0 |
| | 1920s | 41-47-5 | .468 | 5-5-0 |
| 1 | totals | 677-451-45 | .596 | 73-31-14 |

Brandon Thomas Leads Clemson Offensive Line

The leader of Clemson's offensive line this year has been senior offensive tackle Brandon Thomas. The returning first-team All-ACC selection has been Clemson's top blocker in terms of coaches film grade in each of the last five games. He had a 90 percent film grade for 93 snaps in the win over Maryland and also had five knockdown blocks. He provided a big block on Rod McDowell's 45-yard touchdown run in the fourth period of that game. He was named ACC Offensive Lineman of the week for the Maryland game.

He continued his fine play at Virginia with a 96 percent grade and seven knockdowns for 51 plays. It was the highest film grade of his career from coach Robbie Caldwell.

Thomas has been a mainstay of the Clemson offensive line the last three years and is a reason Clemson has won 31 of its last 38 games. He has started 34 of those 38 games. He has played 47 games overall and is a veteran of 2617 snaps on offense.

Clemson NCAA Rankings

After accumulating 1,707 yards and 151 points over the last three games combined. Clemson has improved its offensive rankings in many areas. Clemson has scored at least 50 points in three straight games, a first in school history, and has had a record five 50-point games this year.

Heading into the South Carolina game Clemson is ranked in the top 20 in the nation in many categories. That includes the defensive side of the ball as well. Clemson is now in 18th in the nation in scoring offense and scoring defense.

Clemson Team Offense Rankings in Top 25

•First Downs: 12th (285) •Passing Offense: 8th (338.8) •Total Offense: 10th (515.6) •Passing Efficiency: 7th (165.24) •Scoring Offense: 10th (42.3) •Completion Percentage: 9th (.685)

Tajh Boyd, QB

•Points Responsible for/Game: 6th (20.2)
•Touchdown Passes: 7th (29) Passing Efficiency: 7th (168.8) •Passing Yards/Game: 11th (295.3) •Total Offense: 15th (318.6)

•Completion Percentage: 15th (.673)

•Yards/Completion: 17th(13.9)

Sammy Watkins, WR

•Reception Yards/game: 13th (104.0) •Receptions/Game: 16th (7.1) •Touchdowns Receiving: 10th (9)

Clemson Team Defense Rankings in Top 25

•Tackles for loss/Game: 1st (9.6) 6th (.296) •Third Down Conversion Defense: ·Sacks: 20th (2.82) 13th (16) •Interceptions: •Turnovers Forced: 9th (26) •Turnover Margin: 12th (+0.9) •Pass Efficiency Defense: 15th (109.97) •Fumble Recoveries: 16th (10) ·Scoring Defense:

18th (20.2)

Vic Beasley, DE

Sacks/Game: 10th (0.9) •Tackles for loss/Game: 8th (1.6)

Spencer Shuey, LB

•Fumble Recoveries: 19th (0.3)

Adam Humphries, WR

Punt Returns: 22nd (10.7)

Bashaud Breeland, CB

•Passes Defended: 20th (1.3)

40 Points and 500 Yards and Double Digit Win on Road

Clemson defeated a 5-2 Maryland team in College Park on October 26 by a 40-27 score. It was just the fifth time in Clemson history the Tigers had at least 40 points and 500 yards in a double digit road win over

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a team that entered the game with a winning record. It was the third time Clemson has done it in the last two years, so it had happened just twice prior to 2012. It was the third time Clemson had done it at Maryland with the others coming in 1999 and 1988.

| Year | Opponent (Record) | Tot Off | CU-Opp |
|------|----------------------|---------|--------|
| 1988 | at Maryland (5-4) | 512 | 49-25 |
| 1999 | at Maryland (4-1) | 542 | 42-30 |
| 2012 | at Wake Forest (4-3) | 534 | 42-13 |
| 2012 | at Duke (6-3) | 718 | 56-20 |
| 2013 | at Maryland (5-2) | 540 | 40-27 |

Comparison Between Outstanding Seasons

Below is a comparison between Clemson's 2012 and 2013 season. Clemson has the exact same record and similar national ranking. Offensively, Clemson is down a bit compared to 11 games into the 2012 season. But most of the 2013 figures are second best in school history. For instance, Clemson is down from 535 yards to 515 yards in terms of total offense. But, if the season ended today, the 515 yards would be second best in Clemson history.

Clemson's defense is much improved in most areas compared to the previous season, especially in sacks and tackles for loss.

Comparison of Clemson Offense, 2012 vs. 2013.

Through 11 Games of each season)

| (Inrough 11 Games of eac | 2012 | 2013 |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Record | 10-1 | 10-1 |
| National Rank | 13 AP, 12 USA | 6 AP, 4 USA |
| Points/Game | 44.6 | 42.3 |
| Total Offensive TDs | 61 | 57 |
| Passing TDs | 37 | 34 |
| Rushing TDs | 24 | 23 |
| Rushing Yards/Game | 203.6 | 176.8 |
| Rushing Yards/Attempt | 4.5 | 4.1 |
| Passing Yards/Game | 332.0 | 338.8 |
| Passing Yards/Attempt | 9.13 | 8.77 |
| Passing Yards/Comp. | 13.5 | 12.8 |
| Completion % | .678 | .685 |
| Pass Efficiency | 169.0 | 165.2 |
| Total Offense/Game | 535.6 | 515.6 |
| Yards/Play | 6.5 | 6.3 |
| Points/Redzone Possession | 5.8 | 5.6 |
| Redzone Possession TD % | .745 | .739 |
| Turnovers Committed | 17 | 16 |
| Fumbles Lost | 5 | 9 |
| Average Starting Field Pos. | Clem 31 | Clem 32 |
| Third Down Conv. | .528 | .434 |
| First Downs/Game | 26.5 | 25.9 |

Clemson Defensive Comparison 2012 vs. 2013

(Through 11 games of each season)

| (Tillough it games of each season) | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Category | 2012 | 2013 |
| Points/game Allowed | 24.7 | 20.2 |
| TDs Allowed by Defense | 33 | 27 |
| By Rushing | 14 | 17 |
| By Passing | 19 | 10 |
| Total Defense | 408.1 | 353.8 |
| Passing Defense | 244.9 | 200.1 |
| Rushing Defense | 163.1 | 153.7 |
| Yards/Play Allowed | 5.8 | 5.0 |
| Yards/Rush Defense | 4.3 | 3.8 |
| Yards/Pass Attempt | 7.4 | 6.75 |
| Yards/Completion | 12.8 | 12.0 |
| Plays of 20+ Yards Allowed | 61 | 49 |
| Sacks | 24-81 | 31-166 |
| Tackles for Loss | 71-304 | 105-374 |
| Interceptions | 11 | 17 |
| Total Turnovers Forced | 21 | 26 |
| QB Pressures | 78 | 85 |
| Red Zone Points/Possession | 4.9 | 4.9 |
| First Downs Allowed/Game | 19.2 | 16.9 |
| Third-Down Defense | .325 | .296 |
| Better in 2013 in bold | | |
| | | |

Tajh Boyd vs. Peyton Manning

Tajh Boyd has had an outstanding career at Clemson and it is interesting to compare his data to other quarterbacks. Peyton Manning is certainly one of the greats in college history during his career at Tennes-

see from 1994-97 and he continues to be one of the great NFL quarter-backs today.

Manning played in an era when the NCAA did not count bowl games in statistics, so to do a proper comparison we have included his bowl stats in the totals and averages below so we are making an accurate comparison of careers. So the stats below will be different from what you may find for Manning on other websites or in the University of Tennessee record book.

The chart below shows that Boyd has a higher passing efficiency, yards per attempt, yards per completion, touchdown passes/game, completion percentage and touchdown responsibility per game. Boyd already has more touchdowns rushing and passing than Manning in four less games played (126-108).

While Manning had a 39-6 record at Tennessee compared to 31-7 so far for Boyd, the Clemson senior already has more top 10 wins (top 10 in either AP or USA Today entering the game), by a 4-2 margin. Manning had 10 total top 25 wins and Boyd has seven so far.

While the SEC is known as a very competitive national conference, the two quarterbacks have played a similar amount of games against top 25 competition. Manning had 15 games against top 25 teams at Tennessee, while, Boyd will have his 13th this Saturday against South Carolina

Tajh Boyd vs. Peyton Manning Statistical Comparison

| Category | Manning | Boyd |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|
| School | Tennessee | Clemson |
| Years | 1994-97 | 2010-13 |
| Games | 48 | 45 |
| Record as Starter | 39-6 | 31-7 |
| Top 25 Wins | 10 | 7 |
| Top 10 Wins | 2 | 4 |
| Conference Champs | 1 | 1 |
| Completions | 943 | 851 |
| Comp/Game | 19.7 | 18.9 |
| Attempts | 1505 | 1335 |
| Attempts/Game | 31.4 | 29.7 |
| Completion % | .627 | .637 |
| Yards Passing | 12,114 | 11,301 |
| Yards/Game | 252.4 | 251.3 |
| Yards/Attempt | 8.05 | 8.47 |
| Yards/Completion | 12.85 | 1328 |
| Passing Efficiency | 146.8 | 154.82 |
| TD Passes | 96 | 102 |
| TD Pass/Game | 2.0 | 2.29 |
| Interceptions | 34 | 35 |
| TD/Int Ratio | 2.82/1 | 2.91/1 |
| TD Responsibility | 108 | 126 |
| TDR/Game | 2.25 | 2.80 |
| Better statistic in bol | d face. | |

Fourteen Straight Weeks in the Top 10

Clemson is ranked in the top 10 in the nation by both polls, sixth by AP and fourth by the USA Today Coaches poll. This is the 14th consecutive week Clemson has been ranked in the top 10 in the nation, the longest streak in Clemson history. Clemson had 10 in a row in the top 10 in 1981. Clemson's streak of top 10 rankings in the AP poll is currently the fourth longest in the nation.

Alabama has been ranked in the top 10 for 47 straight polls, while Ohio State has a 23-poll streak of top 10 rankings. Clemson is third with 14, followed by Florida State with 13.

Most Consecutive Weeks in Top 10 in Clemson History

| | Rk | Top 10 | <u>Years</u> |
|---|----|--------|--------------|
| | 1. | 14 | 2013-13 |
| | 2. | 10 | 1981-81 |
| | 3. | 8 | 1987-87 |
| | 4. | 7 | 1990-91 |
| ` | 5. | 6 | 2000-00 |
| | 6. | 5 | 1982-82 |
| | | 5 | 1960-60 |

Boyd is 31-Game Winner

No Major League baseball pitcher has won 30 games since Denny McLain won 31 for the Detroit Tigers in 1968 and no Clemson quarterback had won 30 games over a career since Rodney Williams in 1988. Until Tajh Boyd defeated Georgia Tech on November 14 to record his 30th career victory.

Boyd won 10 as a sophomore, 11 last year and has 10 wins as

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Clemson's starting quarterback so far. That includes a 21-4 record against ACC teams. He broke the Clemson record for wins over ACC teams in the process. Rodney Williams had a 20-6-1 record against ACC teams between 1985-88.

Overall, Boyd has 12 wins away from Memorial Stadium and 19 in Death Valley. The Clemson record for wins by a quarterback away from Memorial Stadium is 14 by Rodney Williams from 1985-88. So he can tie that mark with a win at South Carolina and a bowl win.

As you can see by the chart below, Boyd has been Clemson's quarterback against 11 different ACC teams over his career. He is 4-0 against teams from his home state of Virginia. He has beaten all 11 opponents at least once and only has a losing record against FSU (1-2).

Clemson's Winningest Starting Quarterbacks

| Rk | Plaver | Years | W-L |
|----|--------------------|---------|---------|
| 1. | Rodney Williams | 1985-88 | 32-10-2 |
| 2. | Tajh Boyd | 2010-13 | 31-7 |
| 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 vs. the ACC

| School | Home | Away | Neut | Total |
|----------------|------|------|------|-------|
| Boston College | 2-0 | 1-0 | | 3-0 |
| Duke | | 1-0 | | 1-0 |
| Georgia Tech | 2-0 | 0-1 | | 2-1 |
| Florida State | 1-1 | 0-1 | | 1-2 |
| Maryland | 1-0 | 2-0 | | 3-0 |
| 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 |
| Virginia | | 1-0 | | 1-0 |
| Wake Forest | 2-0 | 1-0 | | 3-0 |
| Totals | 11-1 | 9-3 | 1-0 | 21-4 |

Clemson Has Won Eight Straight Away from Home

Clemson will head to South Carolina on an eight-game road winning streak (including neutral site games). It is the longest road winning streak since 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 gamer 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 third longest road winning streak in the nation away from home. Alabama is first with 13, and Florida State is second with nine.

38 Straight Starts for Boyd

Tajh Boyd will make his 39th career start, his 39th consecutive start, when the Tigers play at South Carolina. His current 38-game streak is the longest for a starting quarterback in Clemson history. Charlie Whitehurst had 37 in a row for the Tigers between 2002-05.

Boyd has a 31-7 record in his 38 starts so far. Boyd won't get the record for overall starts by a Clemson quarterback. That belongs to Rodney Williams with 44.

Boyd has the fourth longest active streak of consecutive starts at the quarterback position in the FBS. Aaron Murray has the longest streak at 52 straight, while Tanner Price of Wake Forest and Chase Rettig of Boston College are tied for second with 43 in a row. Logan Thomas of Virginia Tech and Boyd have 38 in a row. It is Interesting to see that four of the top five on the list are from the ACC.

Boyd Second in ACC History in Passing yardage

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd went over the 10,000 yard mark in terms of passing yardage on his second completion against Maryland on October 26. He finished that game with 304 passing yards. He had 340 passing yards against Georgia Tech to give him a record tying three straight 300-yard games. The streak ended when he had 288 against The Citadel. He played just two and a half quarters. He has 17 career 300-yard passing games, just one off the ACC record.

Boyd is second in ACC history in passing yards with 11,301, second on the ACC list behind Philip Rivers, who played at NC State from 2000-03.

ACC Career Passing Yardage Leaders

| Rk | Player | School | Years | <u>Yards</u> |
|----|--------------------|---------------|---------|--------------|
| 1. | Philip Rivers | NC State | 2000-03 | 13,484 |
| 2. | Tajh Boyd | Clemson | 2010-13 | 11,301 |
| 3. | Thaddeus Lewis | Duke | 2006-09 | 10,065 |
| 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 |

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 101-36 advantage for the year. Last year Clemson outscored the opposition, 111-51 in terms of points off turnovers.

Clemson has come back to win the turnover margin stat three of the last four games and Clemson ranks ninth in the nation in that category. In Dabo Swinney's career at Clemson as a head coach the Tigers are 32-3 when winning the turnover margin.

Beasley is 10th 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 10 for the year in 11 games. He ranks 10th in the nation in sacks entering the South Carolina 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 has been right at that rate as he has 10 sacks in just 441 snaps on defense, or one every 44.1 plays.

Beasley is near the top of the ACC in sacks. 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).

Beasley is a semifinalist for the Lombardi Award, the Bednarik Award and the Hendricks Award.

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 | 736 | 18 | 44.1 |
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*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.

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Despite the problems, Jenkins has played in 11 games and played 273 snaps. He has three starts and 24 tackles, 19 are first hits.

Swinney among Top 10 ACC Coaches in Winning Percentage

Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney is seventh in ACC history in career winning percentage at .690. He is ahead of former Maryland and North Carolina coach Jim Tatum, who won .677 of his games.

Jimbo Fisher of Florida State is first at .808 percent with a 42-10 record. He is in his fourth year. Frank Beamer is fourth with a .746 percentage off a 97-33 record, just behind 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 | 42-10-0 | .808 |
| 2. | Bobby Bowden | Florida State | 173-53-1 | .764 |
| 3. | Danny Ford | Clemson | 96-29-4 | .760 |
| 4. | Frank Beamer | Virginia Tech | 97-33-0 | .746 |
| 5. | Lou Holtz | NC State | 33-12-3 | .719 |
| 6. | Ken Hatfield | Clemson | 32-13-1 | .707 |
| 7. | Dabo Swinney | Clemson | 50-22 | .694 |
| 8. | Jim Tatum | Mary, UNC | 41-19-2 | .677 |
| 9. | Larry Coker | Miami (FL) | 25-12 | .675 |
| 10. | Dick Sheridan | NC State | 52-29-3 | .637 |

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 108 and he has also contributed 12.5 tackles for loss and four sacks. He has been Clemson's top tackler in six of the last nine 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.

Bryant Second in ACC History in Yards/Catch

Martavis Bryant had the best game of his career against Georgia Tech as he had five receptions for a career high 176 yards and a touchdown. It was the fifth most receiving yards in a game in Clemson history. His day included a 76-yard scoring pass from Tajh Boyd. He was named ACC Receiver of the Week.

This year, Bryant has 38 catches for 782 yards, a 20.6 average. For his career he has 57 catches for 1308 yards, a 22.95 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.

Bryant's 22.95 yards per catch figure is not only best in Clemson history it is second in ACC history. Only the 25.47 average by Stephen Hill of Georgia Tech between 2009-11 is better.

Clemson Career Leaders in Yards/Reception

(Min 30 Receptions)

| _ | Rk | Player | Years | Rec | Yds | Yds/Rec |
|---|----|-----------------|---------|-----|------|---------|
| | 1. | Martavis Bryant | 2011-13 | 57 | 1308 | 22.95 |
| | 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 and Watkins Connect on 2nd Longest Play...again

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 97 yard scoring pass from Mark Fellers to Craig Brantley against Virginia in a game at Clemson in 1974.

They then trumped that at Virginia when they connected on a 96-yard touchdown pass. They are the only touchdown duo with a pair of scoring passes of at least 90 yards this year.

The Boyd to Watkins combination is the only passing combo in the nation to completed two TD passes fo at least 90 yards in the same year since 2010. Boyd also leads the nation in passes of 70 yards or more with five.

Longest Plays from Scrimmage in Clemson History

| Year | Opponent | Play | <u>Yards</u> |
|------|------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1974 | Virginia | Pass, Mark Fellers to Craig Brantley | 97 |
| 2013 | at Virginia | Pass, Tajh Boyd to Sammy Watkins | 96 |
| 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 |
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Robinson Gets Pair of Picks

Clemson cornerback Darius Robinson has three interceptions in 11 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 seven of the first eight 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 29 tackles, 24 of which are first hits.

Record 13 Different Tigers with TD Reception

Clemson has scored 61 touchdowns in 11 games this year, 57 by the offense, including 34 on touchdown passes. Incredibly, 13 different players have caught those 34 touchdown passes. This is 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 10.

Daniel Rodrigues became the 13th different player to catch a scoring pass when he had his first career score against The Citadel on November 23.

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, 20 different players have scored a touchdown this year, the most different players in Clemson history. The previous record was 17 set in 2006.

Boyd In Good Company in 300-Yard Passing Games

Clemson senior quarterback Tajh Boyd threw for 340 yards in the win over Georgia Tech on November 14. That was the 17th 300-yard passing game of his career. He is now second in ACC history in that category.

Boyd moved ahead of former Heisman Award winner Chris Weinke, a four year starter at Florida State, with the 334 yards against Boston College. 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.

So one more 300-yard passing game for Boyd will tie the ACC

record.

| 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 | 17 |
| 3. | Chris Weinke | Florida State | 1997-00 | 13 |
| 4. | Matt Ryan | Boston College | 2004-07 | 12 |
| | Russell Wilson | NC State | 2008-10 | 12 |

Beasley Wins Leather Helmet Award

Vic Beasley became the first defensive player to win the Leather

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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 10 sacks for the year in 11 games, tied for 10th in the nation and 2nd in the ACC on a per game basis.

Vic Beasley is the ninth player in Clemson history to record at least 10 sacks in a season. Each of the previous eight have gone on to play in the NFL. (Keith Adams, Michael Dean Perry, DaQuan Bowers, Gaines Adams, William Perry, Adrian Dingle, Andre Branch). Beasley is just the second Clemson player to get 10 sacks within the first eight games of the season. Da'Quan Bowers had 10 sacks in the first seven games of 2010.

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 Line-backer 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.

Clemson, Baylor 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, Baylor 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. Baylor joined the group with a win over 10th ranked Oklahoma on November 7.

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

Clemson has another chance at a top 10 win this weekend when the Tigers play at South Carolina.

43 Straight Polls

Clemson has a streak of 43 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 second longest streak of top 25 rankings in Clemson history. 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 Associated Press polls. Alabama, Clemson, LSU, Oregon, South Carolina, Oklahoma and Stanford are the only schools in the nation with an active streak of at least 42 polls.

This week's number-six ranking in he AP poll is the 102nd time Clemson has been ranked in the top 10. Dabo Swinney has been the head coach for 23 of those 102 top 10 polls.

Active Streak Consecutive Weeks Ranked in top 25 of AP Poll

| Rk | School | Weeks | <u>Years</u> |
|-----|----------------|-------|--------------|
| 1. | Alabama | 95 | 2008-13 |
| 2. | LSU | 78 | 2009-13 |
| 3. | Oregon | 74 | 2009-13 |
| 4. | Oklahoma | 62 | 2010-13 |
| 5. | South Carolina | 61 | 2010-13 |
| | Stanford | 61 | 2010-13 |
| 7. | Clemson | 43 | 2011-13 |
| 8. | Florida State | 33 | 2011-13 |
| 9, | Ohio State | 30 | 2012-13 |
| 10. | Texas A&M | 24 | 2012-13 |
| | | | |

Clemson Top Streaks of Weeks Ranked in AP Poll

| HK | weeks | <u>Years</u> |
|----|-------|--------------|
| 1. | 50 | 1989-92 |
| 2. | 43 | 2011-13 |
| 2. | 41 | 1986-89 |
| 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.

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 Quarterfinalist Lott Impact Player of the Week

Clemson Linebacker Spencer Shuey has been named the Lott IMPACT Player of the Week against NC State. 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." Shuey was named a quarterfinalist for the Lott Award for 2013 in October.

Shuey is second on the Clemson team in tackles with year with 101, his career high.

Boyd All-Time Leader in ACC History in TD Passes and TDR

Tajh Boyd is now the ACC career leader in touchdown passes. He moved ahead of Phillip Rivers of NC State with four against Georgia Tech on November 14 and now has 102 for his career. He had five in the win over The Citadel, the sixth time he has thrown for at least five in a game.

Earlier, Boyd became the ACC career leader in touchdown responsbility. He now has 126 for his career, 14 more than Rivers had, the previous record holder. Boyd is also the all-time ACC leader in passing efficiency, a stat that can change from game to game. But, he is on pace to lead that category as well. He will finish second to Rivers in passing yards and total offense.

ACC Career Leaders in Touchdown Passes

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|----|--|---------------|---------|-----|--|
| Rk | Name | School | Years | TDs | |
| 1. | Tajh Boyd | Clemson | 2010-13 | 102 | |
| 2. | Philip Rivers | NC State | 2000-03 | 95 | |
| 3. | Chris Weinke | Florida State | 1997-00 | 79 | |
| 4. | Russell Wilson | NC State | 2008-10 | 76 | |
| 5. | Jacory Harris | Miami | 2008-11 | 70 | |

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ACC Career Leaders in Touchdown Responsibility

| Rk | Player | School | Years | TDR |
|----|----------------|---------------|---------|-----|
| 1. | Tajh Boyd | Clemson | 2010-13 | 126 |
| 2. | Philip Rivers | NC State | 2000-03 | 112 |
| 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 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. He has added two this year, total touchdown passes and touchdown responsibility.

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). Previous Record 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.
- •Touchdown passes in a career with 102
- Touchdown responsibility in a career with 126.

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.

Clemson now has a streak of 13 consecutive quarters going and has been shutout in just three periods all year.

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 (4th) | 22 |
| 2013 | 9/31/13 | 10/12/13 vs. BC (1 st) | 20 |
| 1983 | 9/24/83 | 11/5/83 vs. UNC (1st) | 20 |
| 2001 | 9/8/11 | 10/20/11 vs. UNC (2 nd) | 17 |
| 2003 | 11/1/03 | 1/2/04 vs. Tennessee (3rd) | 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 November 14. 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.

Boyd Among Active FBS Players, career Basis

| Category | Rank | Figure |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------|
| TD Passes | 4th | 102 |
| TD Responsibility | 2 nd | 126 |
| Passing Yards | 5th | 11,301 |
| Total Offfense | 5th | 12,317 |
| Completions | 9th | 851 |

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

| <u>Rk</u> | Program | Network | <u>Viewers</u> |
|-----------|----------------------|------------|----------------|
| 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 |
| | | | |

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.

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.

Six of Swinney's 50 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. But a win over South Carolina will move Swinney

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ahead of Howard on Clemson's list for top 25 wins.

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 |
| | | |

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 earlier in the year.

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.

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.

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 38 games, Clemson has a 31-7 record. The Tigers have averaged 38.6 points per game in that time, the most in any three year period in Clemson history. The Tigers have gained 487 yards a game, run 79 plays per game and gained 311 yards per game through the air. Clemson's passing attack has completed 64 percent of its passes during that time. The offense has averaged 175 yards a game on the ground.

Clemson Offensive Numbers over last 3 Years Combined

| Category | Totals | Average |
|------------------|-------------|---------|
| Points | 1468 | 38.6 |
| Touchdowns | 178/38 | 4.68 |
| Total Offense | 18,507/38 | 487.0 |
| Total Plays | 3022/38 | 79.5 |
| Yards/Play | 18,507/3022 | 6.12 |
| Third Down Conv. | 275/596 | .461 |
| Completions | 913/38 | 24.0 |
| Attempts | 1423/38 | 37.4 |
| Passing Yards | 11,860/38 | 310.5 |
| TD Passes | 106/37 | 2.79 |
| TD/Int | 106/37 | 2.79 |
| Pass Efficiency | | 153.55 |
| Completion % | | .642 |
| Rushing | 6,650/38 | 175.0 |
| Yards/Rush | 6650/1599 | 4.16 |
| Rushing TD/Game | 71/38 | 1.87 |
| Record | 31-7 | .816 |
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Swinney Honors

Head Coach Dabo Swinney won or has been a finalist for many Coach of the Year Awards the last three 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 and 2013 he has been a semifinalist for the Maxwell Club National Coach of the Year. He was the only ACC coach on the list of 15 semifinalists in 2012 and has been one of just two coaches nationally to be a semifinalist each of the last two years.

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.

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

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its 11-2 season.

Reader became the first Clemson athletes 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 | |

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 | AČC | 989 |
| | Boise State | MWC | 989 |
| 4. | Ohio State | Big 10 | 988 |
| 5. | Northern Illinois | MĂC | 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 | AČC | 983 |
| 7. | Boston College | ACC | 982 |
| | Ohio State | Big 10 | 982 |
| | Missouri | SEC | 982 |

Twenty-Seven Former Clemson Players on NFL Rosters

A total of 27 former Clemson players have been on NFL rosters this year. The list includes two players on practice squads at this time. Twenty-two of the 27 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 rosters, while Tig Willard, Dalton Freeman. So seven of the 11 seniors on that team are on rosters.

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.

Ellington had a 154 yard rushing game this year for the Cardinals and scored on an 80-yard run.

Former Clemson Players on NFL Training Camp Rosters in 2013

| Team | CU years |
|---------------------|---|
| Indianapolis Colts | 2009-11 |
| Indianapolis Colts | 2006-09 |
| Tampa Bay Bucs | 2008-10 |
| Jacksonville Jags | 2008-11 |
| Arizona Cardinals | 2009-12 |
| Miami Dolphins | 2005-08 |
| Indianapolis Colts | 2006-09 |
| Arizona Cardinals | 2009-12 |
| Oakland Raiders | 2006-09 |
| New York Jets | 2009-12 |
| San Diego Chargers | 2007-10 |
| Atlanta Falcons | 2009-12 |
| Buffalo Bills | 2007-10 |
| Houston Texans | 2010-12 |
| Washington Redskins | 2007-10 |
| Seattle Seahawks | 2007-10 |
| Buffalo Bills | 2008-11 |
| Buffalo Bills | 2009-12 |
| Washington Redskins | 2005-07 |
| Pittsburgh Steelers | 2006-09 |
| Detroit Lions | 2004-07 |
| New York Jets | 2006-09 |
| Tennessee Titans | 2008-11 |
| Buffalo Bills | 2006-09 |
| Cincinnati Bengals | 2008-11 |
| San Diego Chargers | 2002-05 |
| Tennessee Titans | 2009-12 |
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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.

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"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.

Radakovich Named to Footballl 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 Tranghese, 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 Preseason 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 |

Tigers 10-Win Seasons

Clemson won its 10th game against The Citadel on November 23, the third straight year CLemson has recorded at least 10 wins. The last time Clemsoin did it three years in a row was 1987-90 era, four years in a row.

Clemson has 10 seasons of at least 10 wins since the program started in 1896. The first double digit victory season came in 1948 when Frank Howard's team had a perfect 11-0 season, including a Gator Bowl championship win over Missouri. Clemson also won the Southern Conference that year under Howard's leadership.

The Clemson record for wins in a season is 12, set by the 1981 Clemson team. That team was 11-0 in the regular season, then won the Orange Bowl against fourth-ranked Nebraska to win the National Champi-

onship.

This is the first time Clemson has had at least 10 wins in consecutive regular seasons in school history. Clemson won 11 games last year and the 11th win took place in the Chick-fil-A Bowl, a victory over LSU, 25-24. Clemson has never won 11 games in consecutive seasons.

Clemson's 10-Win Seasons

| _ | Year | Coacn | W-L | PCt | BOWI |
|---|------|--------------|------|-------|---------------------------|
| | 1981 | Danny Ford | 12-0 | 1.000 | Orange, W, Nebraska |
| | 1948 | Frank Howard | 11-0 | 1.000 | Gator, W, Missouri |
| | 1978 | Pell/Ford | 11-1 | .917 | Gator, W, Ohio State |
| | 1987 | Danny Ford | 10-2 | .833 | Citrus, W, Penn State |
| | 1988 | Danny Ford | 10-2 | .833 | Citrus, W, Oklahoma |
| | 1989 | Danny Ford | 10-2 | .833 | Gator, W, West Virginia |
| | 1990 | Ken Hatfield | 10-2 | .833 | Hall of Fame, W, Illinois |
| | 2011 | Dabo Swinney | 10-4 | .714 | Orange, L, West Virginia |
| | 2012 | Dabo Swinney | 10-2 | .833 | Chick-fil-A vs. LSU |
| | 2013 | Dabo Swinney | 10-1 | .909 | ?? |
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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 has already gotten 10 wins in 2013, giving it consecutive years with at least 10 wins. The others on the list below with at least 10 wins are Alabama and Nothern Illinois.

10-Plus Win Seasons, 2011 and 2012

| School | 2011 | <u> 2012</u> |
|-------------------|------|--------------|
| 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 |
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Listed in alphabetical order