

2013 CLEMSON TIGER FOOTBALL



Clemson (9 AP, 8 USA, 8 BCS) at Virginia

Game 9:

Clemson at Virginia

Saturday, November 2, 2013

Kickoff: 3:35 PM

Scott Stadium (61,500)

Charlottesville, VA

Television : ABC

Mike Patrick, Ed Cunningham, Jeannine Edwards

Radio

Clemson: Pete Yanity, Will Merritt, Patrick Sapp

Series: Clemson leads 37-8-1

at Virginia: Clemson leads 16-5

at Clemson: Clemson leads 20-3-1

at Neutral: Clemson Leads 1-0

As ACC Foes: Clemson leads 37-8-1

Last Meeting: Clemson 34-21 in 2009 at Clemson
Streak: Clemson won 2 in row

Clemson won first 29 games of series

Teams Have split last 10 meetings dating to 1997

Next Regular Season Meeting: 2020 at Clemson

CLEMSON 2013 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	TV	Score/Time
Aug. 31	GEORGIA	ABC	38-35
Sept. 7	SC STATE	RSN	52-13
Sept. 19	at NC State	ESPN	26-14
Sept. 28	WAKE FOREST	ESPNU	56-7
Oct. 5	at Syracuse	ABC	49-14
Oct. 12	BOSTON COLLEGE	ABC	24-14
Oct. 19	FLORIDA STATE	ABC	14-51
Oct. 26	at Maryland	ESPN	40-27
Nov. 2	at Virginia	ESPN	3:35 PM
Nov. 14	GEORGIA TECH	ESPN	7:30 PM
Nov. 23	THE CITADEL		
Nov. 30	at South Carolina		

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Clemson Tigers

Record, 2013	7-1, 5-1 ACC
Location	Clemson, SC
Colors	Clemson Orange and Regalia
Enrollment	20,768
Athletic Director	Dan Radakovich
Head Coach	Dabo Swinney, Alabama '93
Clemson Record/5th full year	47-22 (.681)
Home Record	30-6 (.833)
Away Record	13-12
Neutral Record	4-4
vs. ACC Teams	32-13 (.711)
Record against Virginia	2-0
Offensive Coordinator	Chad Morris
Defensive Coordinator	Brent Venables
Website:	clemsontigers.com

Virginia Cavaliers

Record, 2013	2-6, 0-4 in ACC
Location	Charlottesville, VA
Colors	Orange & Blue
Enrollment	20,399
Athletic Director	Craig Littlepage
Head Coach	Mike London (Richmond '83)
School Record/ season	18-27 (4th season)
Overall (Season)	42-32 (6th year)
Record vs Clemson	0-0
Offensive Coordinator	Steve Fairchild
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MEDIA INFORMATION

Dabo Swinney Press Conference

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

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

ACC Teleconference

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

10:30 AM Dabo Swinney, Clemson

10:40 AM Jimbo Fisher, Florida State

10:50 AM Randy Edsall, Maryland

11:00 AM Scott Shafer, Syracuse

11:10 AM Jim Grobe, Wake Forest

11:20 AM Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech

11:30 AM Larry Fedora, North Carolina

11:40 AM Paul Chryst, Pittsburgh

11:50 AM Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech

Noon Mike London, Virginia

12:10 PM Steve Addazio, Boston College

12:20 PM David Cutcliffe, Duke

12:30 PM Al Golden, Miami (FL)

12:40 PM Dave Doeren, NC State

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

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

Clemson Player Interviews

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

Clemson Personnel Update

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

***Zac Brooks (RB)**, Questionable, shoulder injury at Maryland

Boyd Needs One TD for ACC Record

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd needs just one touchdown rushing or passing against Virginia to become the ACC's career leader in touchdown responsibility.

Boyd and former NC State quarterback Philip Rivers both have 112 career touchdowns to hold the league mark. Boyd has 90 touchdown passes and 22 rushing for his career that dates to the 2010 season.

Rivers, who played for NC State from 2000-03, had 95 passing and 17 rushing.



2013 STANDINGS

Atlantic Division	ACC	Home	Away	Over
Florida State	5-0	4-0	3-0	7-0
Clemson	5-1	4-1	3-0	7-1
Wake Forest	2-3	3-1	1-3	4-4
Syracuse	1-2	2-1	1-2	3-4
Maryland	1-3	3-1	1-2	5-3
Boston College	1-3	3-1	0-3	3-4
NC State	0-4	3-2	0-2	3-4

Coastal Division	ACC	Home	Away	Over
Miami	3-0	5-0	2-0	7-0
Virginia Tech	3-1	4-1	2-0	6-2
Georgia Tech	4-2	3-1	2-2	5-3
Pittsburgh	2-2	3-1	1-2	4-3
Duke	2-2	3-2	3-0	6-2
North Carolina	1-3	2-2	0-3	2-5
Virginia	0-4	2-4	0-2	2-6

THIS WEEK'S ACC GAMES

Saturday, November 2, 2013

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

NEXT WEEK'S ACC GAMES

Saturday, November 9, 2013

Boston College at New Mexico St.	ESPN3	3:30
NC State at Duke	ESPNU	4:00
Florida State at Wake Forest	TBA	
Syracuse at Maryland	RSN	3:30
Virginia Tech at Miami (FL)	TBA	
Virginia at North Carolina	ACC	12:30
Notre Dame at Pittsburgh	TBA	

Clemson Pronunciations

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

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

Notes on the Consistency of the Clemson Tigers

•Clemson has been ranked in the top 25 of both polls for 39 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 third longest streak of top 25 rankings in Clemson history.

•Clemson has been ranked in the top 10 in the nation for 10 straight polls, the fourth longest active streak in the nation. It is tied for the longest top 10 ranking streak in Clemson history. The record is 10 by the 1981 Clemson team, so a win at Virginia should allow Clemson to set the record.

•Clemson has been ranked in the top 15 for 21 straight weeks, the second longest streak in Clemson history. The record is 25.

•Clemson has won at least 10 games each of the last two years. If Clemson can get to 10 wins in 2013 it would give Clemson three straight 10 win seasons for the first time since a four-year streak from 1987-90.

•Clemson won 11 games in 2012, the most for the program since 1981. Clemson has never won 11 games in consecutive years.

•Clemson is eighth in the second BCS poll of the 2013 season, the 18th consecutive BCS ranking Clemson has been in the top 20.

•Clemson has won seven consecutive games away from home. A win at Virginia would give Clemson eight for the first time since 1978-79 era. Clemson won nine in a row away from home in that 1978-79 era. Clemson is one of just eight schools with at least a seven-game winning streak away from home.

•Clemson has won 15 consecutive games against unranked teams by double digits. It is second longest streak of its kind in the nation. Only Alabama has a longer streak with 25 straight.

•Clemson has won 18 of its last 21 games with the only losses coming to teams that were in the top 12 in the nation at the time of the game.

•Clemson has won 28 games over the last three years, tied for seventh in the nation for that time period.

•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 vs. Virginia Series

•Clemson holds a commanding 37-8-1 lead in the series with Virginia, but the two teams are tied 8-8-1 since 1990, or since Clemson won the first 29 games of the series. Virginia's last win in the series took place in 2004 in Charlottesville by a 30-10 score on a Thursday night.

•This is the first meeting between the two teams at Virginia since 2008 in Dabo Swinney's fourth game as Clemson's interim head coach. The Tigers won that game 13-3. Clemson won the next year at Clemson 34-21 in a home finale that gave Clemson the ACC Atlantic Division title.

•Clemson won the first 29 games of the series before Virginia cracked the win column with a 20-7 victory in Charlottesville in 1990. Ironically, Clemson's first win in the history of the series (in 1955) was also by a 20-7 score. Clemson's 29-game winning streak between 1955-89 is tied for the fourth longest winning streak in NCAA history for one team over another. The record is 43 in a row held by Notre Dame over Navy, a streak that ended in 2007.

•Virginia has gained its most success against Clemson when the game has been in

September. Virginia has celebrated five of its eight wins over the Tigers in the month of September, including its last win in Death Valley in 2001, a game it won with just one second left. Virginia is 5-1 against Clemson in the month of September since 1990, but just 3-7-1 in October and November since that year.

•Overall, Clemson is 27-3-1 against Virginia in October and November all-time, but just 10-5 against the Cavs in September. Clemson is 20-3-1 against Virginia in Death Valley and 16-5 in Charlottesville. Clemson won in Richmond in 1971, 32-15, the only neutral site game in the history of the series.

•The only tie in the series took place in 1991, a 20-20 score at Clemson that was played on homecoming. The Tigers had 511 yards of total offense in that game and did not win, the only game in Clemson history in which Clemson picked up at least 500 yards, yet did not win the game.

•Clemson was 3-3 against Virginia under Tommy Bowden. Bowden picked up his first win as a Clemson head coach in 1999 against George Welsh and the Cavaliers, 33-14 in a game at Clemson. Clemson led that game 33-0, 35 minutes into the game. In 2000, Woody Dantzler led the Tigers to victory with a dazzling performance. Dantzler rushed for 220 yards and passed for 154 leading Clemson to a 31-10 victory. That is still the ACC record for rushing yardage in a game by a quarterback.

Clemson's Last Regular Season Game vs. Virginia Until 2020

This will be the first time Clemson has played Virginia since 2009 and the first time Clemson has played at Virginia since 2008. A look to the future ACC schedules indicates this will be Clemson's only appearance at Virginia between 2009 and at least 2025. The Clemson conference schedule of rotating Coastal Division opponents has been released through 2024 and a trip to Virginia is not on it. Virginia is scheduled to come to Clemson in 2020.

Last Game vs. Virginia in 2009

The #18 Clemson Tigers topped Virginia 34-21 on Senior Day at Memorial Stadium on November 21, 2009. The Tigers clinched the best record (6-2) in the ACC Atlantic Division with the victory.

Both teams put up big offensive numbers in the first half, as Clemson took a 24-21 lead into halftime. Kyle Parker threw two touchdown passes in the first half, including strikes to Dwayne Allen and Jacoby Ford. But Virginia narrowed the margin to three points on Jameel Sewell's 23-yard touchdown pass to Mikell Simpson on the last play of the first half.

But the Tiger defense held Virginia scoreless in the second half. The Cavaliers had just 40 total yards, including -41 rushing yards, in the second half. The Tigers also had all seven of their sacks in the second half, including six sacks in the fourth quarter.

Ford had a game-high 211 all-purpose yards in his last home game, including six catches for 106 yards. Parker was 19-26 passing for 234 yards and two touchdowns against no interceptions.

Kaveil Conner had a game-high 13 tackles against his home-state team, while Rennie Moore added a game-high two sacks. Clemson was also aided by an average starting field position at its own 48, while Virginia's was at its own 23.

NATIONAL RANKINGS

Associated Press Top 25

(October 27, 2013)

Rk	School (First Place)	Rec	Pts
1.	Alabama (55)	8-0	1495
2.	Oregon (3)	8-0	1432
3.	Florida State (2)	7-0	1390
4.	Ohio State	8-0	1317
5.	Baylor	7-0	1223
6.	Stanford	7-1	1189
7.	Miami (FL)	7-0	1149
8.	Auburn	7-1	1022
9.	Clemson	7-1	1007
10.	Missouri	7-1	873
11.	LSU	7-2	818
12.	Texas A&M	6-2	811
13.	Oklahoma	7-1	791
14.	South Carolina	6-2	701
15.	Texas Tech	7-1	579
16.	Fresno State	7-0	510
17.	UCLA	5-2	489
18.	Oklahoma State	6-1	483
19.	UCF	6-1	464
20.	Louisville	7-1	417
21.	Northern Illinois	8-0	290
22.	Wisconsin	5-2	262
23.	Michigan	6-1	199
24.	Michigan State	7-1	166
25.	Arizona State	5-2	133

Others: Notre Dame 132, Georgia 24, BYU 22, Texas 22, Mississippi 21, Virginia Tech 20, Oregon State 17, Florida 14, Washington 6, Minnesota 4, Ball State, Arizona 2, Duke 2.

USA Today/Coaches Top 25

(October 27, 2013)

Rk.	Team (First Place)	(W-L)	Pts.
1.	Alabama (56)	8-0	1542
2.	Oregon (6)	8-0	1483
3.	Florida State	7-0	1419
4.	Ohio State	8-0	1375
5.	Baylor	7-0	1293
6.	Miami (FL)	7-0	1190
7.	Stanford	7-1	1182
8.	Clemson	7-1	1064
9.	Oklahoma	7-1	933
10.	Missouri	7-1	834
11.	Auburn	7-1	804
12.	Oklahoma State	6-1	803
13.	LSU	7-2	802
14.	Texas A&M	6-2	758
15.	Texas Tech	7-1	673
16.	South Carolina	6-2	627
17.	Louisville	7-1	579
18.	Fresno State	7-0	542
19.	UCLA	5-2	432
20.	Northern Illinois	8-0	373
21.	Michigan	6-1	309
22.	UCF	6-1	300
23.	Wisconsin	5-2	253
24.	Michigan State	7-1	237
25.	Notre Dame	6-2	83

Others receiving votes: Airzona State 57, Virginia Tech 53, Texas 31, Oregon State 22, BYU 21, Houston 21, Georgia 20, Duke 8, Minnesota 6, Nebraska 6, Mississippi 6, Florida 4, Ball State 4, Iowa 1

Most Recent Trip to Charlottesville

Clemson 13, Virginia 3

Nov. 22, 2008 at Charlottesville, VA

Clemson scored all 13 of its points off three of Virginia's four turnovers and the Tiger defense limited the Cavaliers to 190 total yards in Clemson's 13-3 victory over Virginia on a cold afternoon at Scott Stadium. It was the first meeting between the two teams since 2004.

It was the first time since 1979 that the Tigers held back-to-back ACC opponents under 200 total yards and the first time since 1999 that Clemson held consecutive ACC foes under 10 points, as the Tigers limited Duke to 168 total yards in their 31-7 victory on November 15.

Clemson struggled on offense as well, but the Tigers capitalized on four Virginia turnovers (three interceptions, one fumble) to keep their bowl hopes alive. The Tigers also had a 39-29 advantage in average starting field position and forced Virginia to start all 12 of its drives in its own territory.

Neither team had a rushing play of 10 yards or pass play of 20 yards. Clemson had just 56 rushing yards and 136 passing yards, but the Tiger offensive line did not allow a sack. Thomas Austin was named ACC Offensive Lineman-of-the-Week for his efforts.

James Davis had a game-high 65 yards on 18 carries. Cullen Harper was 18-28 for 121 yards. His favorite target was Jacoby Ford, who had six receptions for 42 yards. Aaron Kelly added five catches, while Tyler Grisham totaled four catches, including a receiving touchdown.

Clemson's defense held the Cavaliers in check most of the game, as they had just 30 yards on 24 carries and 160 passing yards in 39 attempts. Cedric Peerman had a team-high 45 yards on 19 carries, while Kevin Ogletree had seven catches for 79 yards.

Kavell Conner, a native of Virginia, led the Tigers with 10 tackles, two tackles for loss, and a sack, while Michael Hamlin had nine tackles and an interception. Along with his caused fumble, Byron Maxwell added eight tackles and two tackles for loss, and Jackson had six stops, two tackles for loss, and a sack.

Two Coastal Division Games Left

While some ACC teams are not even half way through their conference schedule, Clemson has just two ACC games left and both of those are against Coastal Division teams. Clemson has already completed its schedule against Atlantic Division teams. The Tigers finished 5-1 against the Atlantic Division with the only loss coming to Florida State.

Clemson and Georgia Tech are the only schools to play six ACC games so far, while Miami (FL) and Syracuse have played just three league games.

Clemson will play at Virginia on Saturday, then have an open date before playing permanent Coastal Division cross over foe Georgia Tech on Thursday night, November 14.

With its 5-1 record, Clemson has already clinched a 15th straight non-losing season in ACC play. The Tigers have not had a losing record in the ACC since 1998. Clemson has been especially successful of late against the ACC with a 19-4 record the last three years. Clemson has won seven each of the last two years (including ACC championship win in 2011), and will have a chance to win seven by gaining victory in each of the last two league regular season games this year. Clemson has never won at least seven conference games three years in a row.

Over the last three years, or since Tajh Boyd became Clemson's quarterback, the Tigers are 10-1 at home in ACC play, 1-0 at neutral site and 8-3 on the road.

Virginia Has Played Nation's Toughest Schedule

Virginia has a 2-6 record so far this year, but the Cavaliers have played tough opponents. In fact, according to the NCAA website, Virginia has the most difficult schedule in the nation. The cumulative record of Virginia's opponents is 51-21 so far for a .708 winning percentage, best in the nation.

Boyd 3-0 vs. Teams from His Home State

Tajh Boyd returns to his home state for the final time as Clemson quarterback this Saturday when Clemson plays at Virginia. The senior from Hampton, VA and Phoebus High School has played just one game in the state of Virginia previously and it was a memorable one. In 2011, as a sophomore, Boyd led Clemson to a 23-3 victory at Virginia Tech. The Hokies were ranked 10th in the nation by USA Today entering the game.

Boyd finished his career with a 3-0 record against Virginia Tech as he also gained victory over the Hokies by a 38-10 score in the 2011 ACC Championship game, then quarterbacked the Tigers to a 38-17 win at Clemson last year.

So Boyd is 3-0 vs. Virginia Tech. This will be his first game against Virginia.

Boyd Needs 16 Rushing Yards for 1000

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd needs 16 yards rushing at Virginia to become the first quarterback in ACC history with at least 10,000 yards passing and 1,000 yards rushing in a career. Boyd has 10,296 yards passing and 986 rushing for his 42 career games. He will also become just the second active FBS quarterback to do it, the first with a BCS Conference school. Taylor Heinicke of Old Dominion is the only active FBS quarterback with at least 10,000 yards passing and 1,000 rushing. The junior has 10,186 yards passing and 1,128 rushing in just 30 career games for the Monarchs.

35 Straight Starts for Boyd

Tajh Boyd will make his 36th career start, his 36th consecutive start, when the Tigers play at Virginia on November 2. It is the second longest streak for a starting quarterback in Clemson history. The record is 37 in a row by Charlie Whitehurst between 2002-05.

Boyd has a 28-7 record in his 35 starts so far. If he starts the next two games he would break the record for consecutive starts in his final home game against The Citadel.

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 48 straight, while Tanner Price of Wake Forest is second with 40 in a row. Chase Rettig of Boston College is third with 39. Logan Thomas, Boyd and A.J. McCarron of Alabama all have 35 in a row. It is interesting to see that four of the top six on the list are from the ACC.

Clemson Has Come Back History Against Virginia

Clemson has come back from a deficit of 13 points or more to win 13 times in its history

and four of the victories have come against Virginia. Two of those wins have taken place in Charlottesville and two in Clemson.

Clemson's greatest comeback in history took place at Virginia in 1992 when it overcame a 28-0 deficit with 32 minutes left to win 29-28. Louis Solomon, now a high school coach in New Jersey, led that comeback with an option offense. His 64-yard run just before halftime gave Clemson some momentum going into the locker room at halftime. Nelson Welch booted a 32-yard field goal with 55 seconds left to provide the winning margin. Virginia was undefeated and ranked 10th in the nation heading into that game. That remains the greatest comeback in ACC history involving two conference teams.

Clemson's greatest comeback in Death Valley also took place against Virginia. Clemson trailed Virginia by 17 points at home in 1966, but came back to win 40-35. That was the first game that Howard's Rock was present in Death Valley. Coincidence?

Clemson also overcame a 14-point deficit to Virginia in 1980 to win 27-24 in Charlottesville. Bill Smith, now on the Clemson Board of Trustees, returned a block punt for a touchdown to provide a key play in the victory. Obed Ariri then booted a 52-yard field goal with six seconds left to win the game. Clemson also overcame a 13-point deficit in 1973 to win 32-27.

Clemson's Greatest Comebacks to win or Tie

Date	Opponent	Site	Down	Def	Final
10-10-92	Virginia	A	0-28	28	29-28
10-15-11	Maryland	A	17-35	18	56-45
10-21-00	North Carolina	A	0-17	17	38-24
9-24-66	Virginia	H	18-35	17	40-35
10-11-80	Virginia	A	10-24	14	27-24
11-17-62	Maryland	A	0-14	14	17-14
10-7-06	Wake Forest	A	3-17	14	27-17
9-26-53	Boston College	A	0-14	14	14-14
11-2-02	Duke	A	10-24	14	34-31
9-17-11	Auburn	H	7-21	14	38-24
11-12-11	Wake Forest	H	14-28	14	31-28
11-6-04	Miami (FL)	A	3-17	14	#24-17
10-13-73	Virginia	H	0-13	13	32-27

#Overtime. !fourth quarter comeback

Both Teams in Top 10 in Plays/Game

Fans at Scott Stadium in Charlottesville could see a lot of plays on Saturday. Both Clemson and Virginia average at least 83 plays per game. Clemson ranks fifth in the country with 84.3 snaps per game on offense, while Virginia is seventh with 83.6 plays per game. BYU, which has played just five games so far, leads the nation with 96.8 plays per game. California is second with 89.4. Fresno State is third at 87.6, while Texas Tech is fourth at 87.4.

Watkins Breaks One Record and Ties Another

Clemson receiver Sammy Watkins broke one Clemson record and tied another in the Tigers win at Maryland. Both of the records belong or belonged to DeAndre Hopkins, Watkins former Clemson teammate.

Watkins had 14 receptions for 163 yards against Maryland and his reception total broke Hopkins's single game record. Hopkins had 13 catches against Auburn and LSU last year, both in the Georgia Dome in Atlanta. Watkins also tied Hopkins Clemson career record for 100-yard receiving games. The Maryland game was Watkins 12th of at least 100 yards, the same total Hopkins had between 2010-12.

It is interesting to note that Watkins top two receiving games have taken place on artificial surface. He had 202 last year at Wake Forest, an all-time Clemson single game record, and the 163 last Saturday was his second highest total.

Watkins is also closing in on Hopkins Clemson career receiving yardage record. Watkins has 2740 receiving yards, second in school history, and needs 281 to break Hopkins career mark of 3020 yards.

Clemson Career Leaders in Reception

Rk	Player, Pos	Years	Yards	Avg.	TD	Rec
1.	Aaron Kelly, WR	2005-08	2733	11.8	20	232
2.	DeAndre Hopkins, WR	2010-12	3020	14.8	27	206
3.	Sammy Watkins, WR	2011-13	2740	13.9	20	197
4.	Derrick Hamilton, WR	2001-03	2312	13.8	16	167
5.	Rod Gardner, WR	1997-00	2498	15.0	13	166
6.	Terry Smith, WR	1990-93	2681	16.5	15	162
7.	Perry Tuttle, WR	1978-81	2534	16.9	17	150
8.	Jacoby Ford, WR	2006-09	1986	13.9	16	143
9.	Kevin Youngblood, WR	2000-03	1713	12.1	6	142
10.	Chansi Stuckey, WR	2003-06	1760	12.5	7	141

Clemson Career Leaders in Reception Yards

Rk	Player, Pos	Years	Rec	Yards
1.	DeAndre Hopkins, WR	2010-12	206	3020
2.	Sammy Watkins, WR	2011-13	197	2740
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

Ten Straight Weeks in the Top 10

Clemson is ranked in the top 10 in the nation by both polls, ninth by AP and eighth by the USA Today Coaches poll. This is the 10th consecutive week Clemson has been ranked in the top 10 in the nation, tied for the longest streak in Clemson history. Clemson also had 10 in a row in the top 10 in 1981. So a win at Virginia could give the program a record number of top 10 rankings.

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 43 straight polls, while Oregon is second with 39 in a row. Ohio State has a 20-poll streak of top 10 rankings. Clemson is fourth with 10, followed by Florida State with nine.

Most Consecutive Weeks in Top 10 in Clemson History

Rk	Top 10	Years
1.	10	1981-81
	10	2013-13
3.	8	1987-87
4.	7	1990-91
5.	6	2000-00
6.	5	1982-82
	5	1960-60

Clemson Offensive Comparison 2012 to 2013

A look to the chart below shows that Clemson's offensive numbers in 2012 and 2013 are very similar. Clemson set 100 records individually and team wise in 2012, so having a similar season is a good thing.

Last year Clemson averaged 41 points a game through eight contests and the Tigers are at 37.4 so far this year. Clemson had 40 offensive touchdowns through eight games a year ago and 36 so far this year. Total offense at this time in 2012 was 498 yards a game and 494 so far this year. Passing yardage is a bit improved this year, while rushing yards are down just six yards per game.

Clemson has the same 7-1 record after eight games that it had last year. The national rankings in the two polls are just slightly better this year.

Comparison of Clemson Offense, 2012 vs. 2013. (Through 8 Games of each season)

Category	2012	2013
Record	7-1	7-1
National Rank	10 AP, 9 USA	9 AP, 8 USA
Points/Game	41.0	37.4
Total Offensive TDs	40	36
Passing TDs	22	21
Rushing TDs	18	15
Rushing Yards/Game	180.4	174.3
Rushing Yards/Attempt	4.1	3.9
Passing Yards/Game	317.6	320.0
Passing Yards/Attempt	8.67	8.05
Passing Yards/Comp.	12.9	12.2
Completion %	.672	.660
Pass Efficiency	160.1	152.3
Total Offense/Game	498.0	494.1
Yards/Play	6.2	5.9
Points/Redzone Possession	5.7	5.5
Redzone Possession TD %	.711	.710
Turnovers/Game	1.00	1.62
Fumbles Lost	1	8
Average Starting Field Pos.	Clem 31	Clem 31
Third Down Conv.	.530	.433
First Downs/Game	24.6	25.5

Clemson Defense Much Improved in 2013

Clemson's defense has made significant improvement over last year as the statistics below indicate. The biggest area of improvement is in terms of sacks and tackles for loss. Clemson is tied for first nationally

in sacks and has doubled its production over this time last year. Clemson has 29 sacks so far this year, tied for first in the nation, while the Tigers had just 14 at this time last year. Clemson has 73 tackles for loss compared to 47 this year through eight games.

Clemson is also one of the best in the nation in third-down defense this year, allowing just 28.8 percent. Clemson's rushing defense has allowed just 3.8 yards a rush this year compared to 4.8 at this time last year.

Clemson Defensive Comparison 2012 vs. 2013 (Through 8 games of each season)

Category	2012	2013
Record	7-1	7-1
National Rank	10 AP, 9 USA	9 AP, 8 USA
Points/game Allowed	24.3	21.9
TDs Allowed by Defense	24	22
By Rushing	13	12
By Passing	11	10
Total Defense	421.1	375.1
Passing Defense	237.9	231.3
Rushing Defense	183.3	144.1
Yards/Play Allowed	6.0	5.4
Yards/Rush Defense	4.8	3.8
Yards/Pass Attempt	7.5	7.4
Yards/Completion	12.5	13.6
Plays of 20+ Yards Allowed	49	38
Sacks	14-94	29-158
Tackles for Loss	47-190	73-287
Interceptions	10	13
Total Turnovers Forced	16	20
QB Pressures	57	69
Red Zone Points/Possession	4.9	4.7
First Downs Allowed/Game	19.4	17.4
Third-Down Defense	.336	.288
Better in 2013 in bold		

Catanzaro has made 35 of last 37 Field Goals

Chandler Catanzaro had his best game of the 2013 season in Clemson's win over Maryland. The Clemson graduate made 4-4 field goals and 4-4 extra points for 16 of Clemson's 40 points. It was his high point total in a game this season. He was named one of the Lou Groza Award Stars of the Week for his performance.

Catanzaro is 9-10 on field goals this year after going 18-19 last year. He is also a perfect 35-35 on extra points this year. So, he has kicked the ball 44 times in 2013 and it has gone through the uprights, 43 times.

He made his last eight field goals of 2011, so he has now made 35 of his last 37 field goals.

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 three 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.

Thomas has been a mainstay of the Clemson offensive line the last three years and is a reason Clemson has won 28 of its last 35 games. He has started 31 of those 35 games. He has played 44 games overall and is a veteran of 2468 snaps on offense.

18 Different Tigers with a Touchdown

When Rod McDowell scored on a three-yard run in the fourth period at Maryland he became the 18th different Clemson player to score a touchdown in 2013. That is a record for most different players scoring a touchdown in a season. The previous high was 17 different players set during the 2006 season.

All Engines Were on Go for Hot Rod at Maryland

Roderick McDowell had 30 carries for 161 yards rushing and two touchdowns in Clemson's win over Maryland. It was the second career 100-yard rushing game for "Hot Rod", who served as Andre Ellington's backup his first three years. Ellington got 154 yards rushing on 15 carries for the Arizona Cardinals on Sunday, so both running backs had career highs just 24 hours apart.

McDowell scored two touchdowns in the fourth quarter at

Maryland, one on a three-yard run and one on a 45-yard run. His 30 carries were the most by a Clemson running back since 2000 when Travis Zachery had 31 rushes in a win over NC State.

McDowell leads Clemson in rushing this year with 607 yards on 119 carries, a 5.1 average. He has averaged 15 rushing attempts a game for 76 yards per game. He had 132 yards in the season opening win over fifth ranked Georgia.

Clemson NCAA Rankings in Top 25

Clemson is ranked in the top 25 in the nation in eight categories on offense and seven categories on defense. The defensive numbers include a number-one ranking in quarterback sacks per game and second in tackles for loss per game.

Team Offense

- Completion %: 18th (.660)
- First Downs: 15th (204)
- Fewest Passes Had Intercepted: 23rd (5)
- Passing Offense: 18th (320.0)
- Scoring Offense: 24th (37.4)
- Passing Efficiency: 18th (152.3)
- Total Offense: 18th (495.5)
- Turnover Margin: 17th (+0.9)

Individual Offense

- Tajh Boyd, 9th in points responsible for: 138
- Tajh Boyd, 25th in completions/game: 21.0
- Tajh Boyd, 23rd in passing efficiency: 153.0
- Tajh Boyd, 17th in touchdown passes: 17
- Tajh Boyd, 15th in total passing yards: 2,243
- Tajh Boyd, 21st in total offense: 309.1
- Sammy Watkins, 14th in Receiving Yards: 813
- Sammy Watkins, 15th in receptions/Game: 7.3
- Sammy Watkins, 20th in Receiving Yards/Game: 101.6
- Chandler Catanzaro, 21st in Field Goal %: .900
- Adam Humphries, 24th, Punt Return average: 10.0

Team Defense

- Sacks: 1st (3.63)
- Tackles for Loss: 2nd (9.1)
- Third Down Conversion %: 4th (.288)
- Fumble Recoveries: 23rd (7)
- Passes Intercepted: 8th (13)
- RedZone Defense: 20th (.737)
- Turnovers Forced: 11th (20)

Individual Defense

- Vic Beasley, First in Sacks: 1.3 per game
- Vic Beasley, 16th in forced fumbles: 3
- Vic Beasley, 4th in Tackles for Loss: 1.9
- Spencer Shuey, 10th in fumble recoveries: 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 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.

Games Clemson Has Had 40 Points, 500 Yards on Road in Double Digit Win over Team with Winning Record:

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

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 Tennessee from 1994-97 and he continues to be one of the great NFL quarterbacks 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 six less games played (112-108).

While Manning had a 39-6 record at Tennessee compared to 28-7 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 has had 12 so far. He will probably end up with just one less after playing South Carolina in the season finale and a bowl game.

Tajh Boyd vs. Peyton Manning Statistical Comparison

Category	Manning	Boyd
School	Tennessee	Clemson
Years	1994-97	2010-13
Games	48	42
Record as Starter	39-6	28-7
Top 25 Wins	10	7
Top 10 Wins	2	4
Conference Champs	1	1
Completions	943	786
Comp/Game	19.7	18.7
Attempts	1505	1252
Attempts/Game	31.4	29.8
Completion %	.627	.628
Yards Passing	12,114	10,296
Yards/Game	252.4	245.1
Yards/Attempt	8.05	8.22
Yards/Completion	12.85	13.10
Passing Efficiency	146.8	150.3
TD Passes	96	90
TD Pass/Game	2.0	2.14
Interceptions	34	33
Int/Game	0.71	0.76
TD/Int Ratio	2.82/1	2.73/1
TD Responsibility	108	112
TDR/Game	2.25	2.67

Better statistic in bold face.

34 Wins in the Bank for 2013 Seniors

This year's Clemson senior class has a record of 34-14 and still has five games left. If they were to win out they would be second on this list with 39 total victories. As it is, this class is tied for ninth best in Clemson history in total wins with the 34 already in the bank. The seniors of 1990 have the record with a 40-8 record off four consecutive 10-2 seasons.

In terms of regular season wins over ACC teams, this group has a 22-8 mark and that is already tied for the third most conference victories. This class has two more ACC games so they can break the record of 23 wins (9 losses) set by last year's senior class.

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

Most Wins by a Clemson Senior Class

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

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 66-30 advantage for the year. Last year Clemson outscored the opposition, 111-51 in terms of points off turnovers.

Clemson won the turnover margin by a 4-3 total at Maryland and won points off turnovers 10-6. Congrats to the Clemson defense that allowed -9 yards total offense for the three possessions after the offense committed a turnover against Maryland.

In Dabo Swinney's career at Clemson as a head coach the Tigers are 30-3 when winning the turnover margin.

Boyd Looks for Record Tying 20th ACC Win

Tajh Boyd has a 19-4 record against ACC teams in his career. This will be his first game against Virginia.

Overall, Boyd has 11 wins away from Memorial Stadium and 17 in Death Valley. The Clemson record for wins by a quarterback away from Memorial Stadium is 14 by Rodney Williams from 1985-88.

Boyd is 19-4 as a starter against ACC teams, 10-1 at home, 8-3 away and 1-0 at neutral sites. The Clemson record for **ACC wins** by a Clemson starter is 20 set by Rodney Williams, who was 20-6-1 against ACC teams in his career from 1985-88. So Boyd can tie that record with a win at Virginia.

As you can see by the chart below, Boyd has been Clemson's quarterback against 10 different ACC teams over his career. He is already 3-0 against Virginia Tech, Maryland, Boston College and Wake Forest. He has beaten all 10 opponents at least once and only has a losing record against Florida State (1-2).

Boyd vs. the ACC

School	Home	Away	Neut	Total
Boston College	2-0	1-0		3-0
Duke		1-0		1-0
Georgia Tech	1-0	0-1		1-1
Florida State	1-1	0-1		1-2
Maryland	1-0	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
Wake Forest	2-0	1-0		3-0
Totals	10-1	8-3	1-0	19-4

Clemson Has Won Seven Straight Away from Home

Clemson heads to Virginia on a seven 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 eighth longest road winning streak in the eyes of the NCAA. Oregon has the longest with 18 in a row.

Pinion Challenging Clemson Punting Record

Clemson punter Bradley Pinion has a 40-.8 yard punting average this year, including a 38.6 net figure. He is just 68th in the nation in punting average, but much of that has to do with field position. He has been remarkable in terms of pinning the opponent inside the 20.

So far this year Pinion has 17 punts inside the 20 and **no touchbacks**. No punter in Clemson history comes close to that kind of ratio of punts inside the 20 to touchbacks. In just eight games, Pinion is approaching the Clemson record for punts inside the 20 in a season. The record is 24 held by David Sims in 1979 and Kevin Laird in 1996. But, Sims had 79 punts in 1979 and Laird had 69.

With just 40 punts so far, Pinion has had 42.5 percent of his punts downed inside the 20. Laird had 35 percent and Sims 30 percent.

Clemson's Road Stats Strong on Offense

During Clemson's seven-game road winning streak the Tigers have outscored the opposition 283-143, or an average victory score of 40 to 20. In those seven games, Clemson has averaged 186 yards a game rushing and 363 yards a game passing. That comes to a total of 550 yards a game of total offense.

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

Tajh Boyd has been outstanding in the seven-game winning streak away from home. The senior from Hampton, VA has completed 70.5 percent of his passes for 2488 yards and 24 touchdowns in the seven games. He is averaging 355 yards passing and 386 yards in total offense in those road games.

Clemson on the Road Last Seven Games

Date	Opponent	Cu-Opp	Rush	Pass	Total
9-29-12	Boston College	45-31	209	367	576
10-25-12	Wake Forest	42-13	101	433	534
11-3-12	Duke	56-20	334	384	718
12-31-12	LSU (N)	25-24	99	346	445
9-19-13	NC State	26-14	171	244	415
10-5-13	Syracuse	49-14	156	468	624
10-26-13	Maryland	40-27	236	304	540
	Totals	283-143	1306	2546	3852
	Averages	40-20	186	363	550

Tajh Boyd Last Seven Games on the Road

Date	Opponent	Com-Att	Yds	TD-Int	Total Off
9-29-12	Boston College	28-38	367	3-1	49-409
10-25-12	Wake Forest	27-38	428	5-0	54-455
11-3-12	Duke	16-23	344	5-3	32-416
12-31-12	LSU (N)	36-50	346	2-0	79-368
9-19-13	NC State	24-37	244	3-0	50-282
10-5-13	Syracuse	20-27	455	5-2	35-450
10-26-13	Maryland	28-41	3-4	1-1	55-328
	Totals	179-254	2488	24-7	254-2708
	Averages	(.705)	355		(386)

Clemson Eighth in BCS Ranking

Clemson is ranked eighth in the second BCS ranking of the year released on October 27. It is the 18th consecutive ranking for Clemson in the top 20 of the BCS. The streak started with the first BCS ranking of the 2011 season on October 16, 2011 when Clemson was seventh. Clemson got as high as fifth on October 23, 2011 and that is the highest BCS ranking for Clemson at any time. This is the 35th time Clemson has been ranked in the top 25 of the BCS rankings since the system began in 1998.

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

Watkins in Top Five among Active FBS Players

Clemson junior receiver Sammy Watkins in the top four in the nation among active FBS players in terms of receptions per game and reception yardage per game over a career. Watkins has played 31 games in his Clemson career and has 197 receptions for 2740 yards and 20 touchdowns. That computes to an average of 6.3 receptions per game for 88.4 yards per game. He is fourth in yardage per game and fourth in receptions per game for his career among active FBS players.

FBS Leaders in Career Reception Yards/Game

Rk	Player, School	GP	Rec	Yds	Avg
1.	Davante Adams, Fresno State	20	174	2116	105.8
2.	Marqise Lee, Southern Cal	31	223	3267	105.4
3.	Mike Evans, Texas A&M	21	130	2206	105.0
4.	Sammy Watkins, Clemson	31	197	2740	88.4
5.	Brandin Cooks, Oregon State	33	183	2798	84.8
6.	Justin Hardy, East Carolina	32	219	2529	81.5

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5.	Mike Evans, Texas A&M	21	130	2206	6.3
6.	Tommy Shuler, Marshall	29	173	1777	6.2

Humphries Gives Boost to Return Game

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

So far this year Humphries has 13 punt returns for 130 yards for and 10.0 average. No Clemson player has averaged in double figures in punt return yards since Spiller and Ford were at Clemson. Humphries is currently fifth in the ACC and 24th in the nation on a yards per return basis. Clemson was 109th in the nation in punt return average last season.

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

Humphries Has Career Day

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

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

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

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, the 15th 300-yard game of his career, and now has 10,296. He is second in ACC history in passing yards and will finish there as he is still over 3000 yards short of the 13,484 passing yards by Philip Rivers. Thaddeus Lewis, who played at Duke, is the only other ACC quarterback with over 10,000 yards passing.

ACC Career Passing Yardage Leaders

Rk	Player	School	Years	Yards
1.	Philip Rivers	NC State	2000-03	13,484
2.	Tajh Boyd	Clemson	2010-13	10,296
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
7.	Ben Bennett	Duke	1980-83	9,614

15 Straight Wins by Double Digits vs. Unranked Teams

Clemson has been very successful when it comes to facing unranked teams of late. The Tigers 40-27 win at Maryland on October 26 was the program's 15th consecutive double digit win over an unranked opponent. The streak includes nine games last year and six games this year. Over the streak, Clemson has outscored the opposition by 24.2 points per game.

Clemson will have an opportunity to extend the streak this week at Virginia when the Tigers face the Cavaliers in Charlottesville. Clemson's streak of double digit wins over unranked opponents is the second longest active streak in the nation. Only Alabama has a longer streak with 25 in a row.

Since Clemson last lost to an unranked team when the Tigers were ranked, 30 different teams have lost in that situation a total of 56 times.

Beasley Wins Leather Helmet Award

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

Beasley had a sack, two tackles for loss, a pass broken up, five tackles and his first career touchdown in Clemson's 24-14 victory. Beasley now has 10 sacks for the year in eight games, tied for best in the nation and first in the ACC on a per game basis. He is also fourth in the country in tackles for loss per game with 15 in eight games.

Swinney among Top 10 ACC Coaches in Winning Percentage

Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney is seventh in ACC history in career winning percentage at .681. He is just ahead of former Maryland and North Carolina coach Jim Tatum, who won .677 of his games.

Jimbo Fisher of Florida State is first at .792 percent with a 38-10 record. He is in his fourth year. Frank Beamer is fourth with a .756 percentage off a 96-31 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	38-10-0	.792
2.	Bobby Bowden	Florida State	173-53-1	.764
3.	Danny Ford	Clemson	96-29-4	.760
4.	Frank Beamer	Virginia Tech	96-31-0	.756
5.	Lou Holtz	NC State	33-12-3	.719
6.	Ken Hatfield	Clemson	32-13-1	.707
7.	Dabo Swinney	Clemson	47-22	.681
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

Beasley Already at 10 Sacks

Vic Beasley and Michael Sam of Missouri are the first two players in the nation to reach 10 sacks for the 2013 season. Both have done it in eight games. Beasley recorded his 10th sack of the year against Maryland on October 26 and forced a turnover in the process. It was the third strip sack of the year for Beasley, who has three caused fumbles for the season.

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.

Beasley Tied for First 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 eight games. He ranks tied for first in the nation in sacks entering the Virginia game.

Beasley has been very productive in this area in the last two seasons. He had eight sacks as a reserve last year in just 288 snaps, a sack every 36 plays for the course of the season. This year he has an even better rate as he has his 10 sacks in just 334 snaps on defense, or one every 33.4 plays.

Over his last 14 games, Beasley has 16 sacks in 497 plays, a rate of a sack every 30 plays. For his career, Beasley has 18 sacks in 638 plays, one every 35.4 snaps.

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

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

Plays Per Sack of Clemson Career Sack Leaders

Rk	Player	Years	Snaps	Sacks	Pl/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	638	18	35.44

*Estimated number of plays

Martin Jenkins is Brian Piccolo Candidate

Clemson cornerback Martin Jenkins is on his way to winning the ACC's Brian Piccolo Award. The honor is given each year to a league

football player who has overcome injury to be successful on the field.

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

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

Despite the problems, Jenkins has played in all eight games and played 210 snaps. He has three starts and 16 tackles, 15 are first hits.

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 80 and he has also contributed 9.5 tackles for loss and four sacks. He has been Clemson's top tackler in five of the last six 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 Leads Active ACC Receivers in Yards/Catch

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

This year, Bryant has 24 catches for 450 yards, a 18.8 average. For his career he has 43 catches for 976 yards, a 22.7 yards per catch average. That average is best among active ACC players and is the best in Clemson history among receivers with at least 30 catches.

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

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

Clemson Career Leaders in Yards/Reception

(Min 30 Receptions)

Rk	Player	Years	Rec	Yds	Yds/Rec
1.	Martavis Bryant	2011-13	43	976	22.70
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

Robinson Gets Pair of Picks

Clemson cornerback Darius Robinson has three interceptions in eight 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 20 tackles, 18 of which are first hits.

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

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

a game at Clemson in 1974.

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

Longest Plays from Scrimmage in Clemson History

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

Record 11 Different Tigers with TD Reception

Clemson has scored 39 touchdowns in eight games this year, 36 by the offense, including 21 on touchdown passes. Incredibly, 11 different players have caught those 21 touchdown passes. This is already the most different players to catch a touchdown pass in a season in Clemson history. It was done five games into the season. Sammy Watkins leads the way with five

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

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

As far as overall scoring, 18 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 304 yards in the win over Maryland on October 26. That was the 15th 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.

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	15
3.	Chris Weinke	Florida State	1997-00	13
4.	Matt Ryan	Boston College	2004-07	12
	Russell Wilson	NC State	2008-10	12

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

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

As stated Alabama has also accomplished the feat with multiple top 10 wins in 2011 and 2012 and the Crimson Tide's win over Texas A&M this year.

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

Freshman Shaq Lawson Has Big Day at NC State

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

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

Lawson had two more tackles for loss at Syracuse and now has 6.5 for the season, third only to Vic Beasley's 15.

Catanzaro Becomes Clemson's Career Scoring Leader

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

He actually broke the record on an extra point after Clemson's second touchdown. Catanzaro now has 367 career points.

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

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

Catanzaro needs just one field goal to move into second place on the all-time list. He has 63 to tie Obed Ariri and Chris Gardocki for second place. Nelson Welch is the all-time leader with 72.

Clemson Career Scoring Leaders

Rk	Player	Years	TD	PAT	FG-A	TP
1.	Chandler Catanzaro, PK	2010-13	0	178-182	63-78	367
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

Anthony and Beasley ACC Players of the Week

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

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

39 Straight Polls

Clemson has a streak of 39 straight polls with a top 25 ranking in at least one poll, including every week during the 2012 season and every week so far this season. This is the longest streak Clemson has been ranked in at least one poll since the October 23, 1989 to October 24, 1992 era when the Tigers were ranked in 50 consecutive polls (at least one). This streak is the third longest in Clemson history. Clemson also had a 41-poll streak in the 1980s.

Alabama, Clemson, LSU, Oregon, South Carolina, Oklahoma and Stanford are the only schools in the nation with an active streak of at least 39 polls.

Clemson has also been ranked in the top 20 of every BCS poll over the last three years, a total of 18 consecutive polls. That includes a 14th place ranking in the final BCS poll of 2012 and a number-15 ranking in the final 2011 BCS Poll.

Overall, Clemson has been ranked in the top 25 a total of 350 times, 32.7 percent of the 1062 polls that have been issued since 1936. Clemson's average ranking during those 350 weeks is 14.. Clemson has been ranked number-one twice (both in 1981), ranked second six times, ranked in the top five 28 times, and in the top 10 98 times.

Active Streak Consecutive Weeks Ranked in top 25 of AP Poll

Rk	School	Weeks	Years
1.	Alabama	91	2008-13
2.	LSU	74	2009-13
3.	Oregon	70	2009-13
4.	Oklahoma	58	2010-13
5.	South Carolina	57	2010-13
	Stanford	57	2010-13
7.	Clemson	39	2011-13
8.	Florida State	29	2011-13
9.	Ohio State	26	2012-13
10.	Texas A&M	20	2012-13

Clemson Top Streaks of Weeks Ranked in AP Poll

Rk	Weeks	Years
1.	50	1989-92
2.	41	1986-89
3.	39	2011-13
4.	21	2000-01
5.	15	1981-82

Stoudt Sets Clemson Single Game Record

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

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

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

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

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

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

Shuey Named Quarterfinalist Lott Impact Player of the Week

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

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

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

Shuey was named a quarterfinalist for the Lott Award for 2013 in October.

Boyd Second in TD Passes in ACC History

Tajh Boyd moved past Chris Weinke into second place in ACC in career touchdown passes against Wake Forest. He now has 90, just five behind all-time ACC leader Phillip Rivers.

ACC Career Leaders in Touchdown Passes

Rk	Name	School	Years	TDs
1.	Philip Rivers	NC State	2000-03	95
2.	Tajh Boyd	Clemson	2010-13	90
3.	Chris Weinke	Florida State	1997-00	79
4.	Russell Wilson	NC State	2008-10	76
5.	Jacory Harris	Miami	2008-11	70

Boyd Needs One Touchdowns for ACC Record

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd reached the 100 career touchdown mark in the win over Wake Forest when he had three passing touchdowns and a rushing score. He now has 112 for his career and is tied with Philip Rivers for the all-time ACC mark for touchdown responsibility. Rivers had 112 for NC State between 2000-03.

Boyd has really done this in just three years and 42 total games, just 35 as a starter. He did not start a game as a freshman, then had 38 total touchdowns as a sophomore in 2011. He followed that up with an ACC record 46 touchdowns last year in 13 games. He has 23 so far this year, 17 passing and six rushing.

ACC Career Leaders in Touchdown Responsibility

Rk	Player	School	Years	TDR
1.	Philip Rivers	NC State	2000-03	112
	Tajh Boyd	Clemson	2010-13	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 28-Game Winner

Tajh Boyd has a 28-7 career record as a starting quarterback, second on the all-time Clemson list. He passed Charlie Whitehurst for second place with Clemson's win at Syracuse.

Boyd's 28-7 record includes a 17-2 mark at Memorial Stadium. He was the common denominator to Clemson's 13-game winning streak at Memorial Stadium, the longest in school history. He has led Clemson to seven wins over top 25 teams in his career as a starter, tied for the most in Clemson history. Charlie Whitehurst and Rodney Williams each had seven top 25 wins in their respective careers.

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

Clemson's Winningest Starting Quarterbacks

Rk	Player	Years	W-L
1.	Rodney Williams	1985-88	32-10-2
2.	Tajh Boyd	2010-13	28-7
3.	Charlie Whitehurst	2002-05	25-15
4.	Nealon Greene	1994-97	24-16
5.	Homer Jordan	1979-82	22-6-1
6.	Steve Fuller	1975-78	21-11-3
	Mike Eppley	1980-84	21-5-1

Boyd Among Best in ACC History

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

Boyd's ACC Records

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

Clemson Had Third Longest Streak of Quarters Scoring

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

Most Consecutive Quarters Scoring, Clemson History

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

Bold face under Dabo Swinney and offensive coordinator Chad Morris.

Boyd Among Active FBS Players

Clemson quarterback Tajh Boyd ranks among the best in the nation in many career statistical areas entering games of October 24. Boyd is second among active players in career touchdown passes, touchdowns rushing and passing, and fourth in total passing yards to go with third in total offense.

Boyd Among Active FBS Players, career Basis

Category	Rank	Figure
TD Passes	2 nd	90
TD Responsibility	2 nd	112
Passing Yards	4 th	10,296
Total Offense	3 rd	11,270
Completions	8 th	787
Passing Efficiency	15 th	150.3

Two Pick Sixes in One Game

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

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

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

The two returns for scores were the 16th and 17th returns for touchdowns since the beginning of the 2009 season when Dabo Swinney was in his first full season as head coach.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Most Watched Television Programs August 26-September 1

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

Four Tigers Named ACC Player of the Week vs. Georgia

Four Clemson players were named ACC Player of the Week for their respective performances against Georgia in the season opener. Tajh Boyd was named ACC Offensive Back of the Week after he completed 18-30 passes for 270 yards and three scores. He also had 42 yards rushing and scored two more TDs, giving him five for the game.

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

Ryan Norton, making his first career start at center, was named ACC Co-Offensive Lineman of the Week. Norton played 78 of 79 snaps

and had a film grade of 91 percent, best among all Clemson offensive linemen.

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

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

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.

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.

Six of Swinney's 47 Wins over Top 11 Teams

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

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

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

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

Dabo Swinney's Wins over Top 25 Opponents

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

Most Wins over Top 25 Teams in Clemson Coaching History

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

Seckinger Scored Game Winner vs. Georgia

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

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

Steward makes Big Play

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

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

Four Wins over Top 25 SEC Teams

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

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

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

Boyd Pays Tribute to Jordan...statistically

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

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

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

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

Clemson Award Candidates

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

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

Clemson Players on 2013 Watch Lists

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

Offensive Excellence

One of the reasons for Clemson's success since the 2011 season began has been the addition of offensive coordinator Chad Morris to the staff. Over a period of 35 games, Clemson has a 28-7 record. The Tigers have averaged 37.2 points per game in that time, gained 480 yards a game, run 79 plays per game and gained 305 yards per game through the air. Clemson's passing attack has completed 61 percent of its passes during that time. The offense has averaged 174 yards a game on the ground.

Clemson Offensive Numbers over last 3 Years Combined

Category	Totals	Average
Points	1302	37.2
Touchdowns	157/35	4.49
Total Offense	16,789	479.7
Total Plays	2,792/35	79.7
Yards/Play	16,789/2792	6.01
Third Down Conv.	258/557	.463
Completions	808/35	23.1
Attempts	1316/35	37.6
Passing Yards	10,692/35	305.4
TD Passes	93/35	2.65
TD/Int	93/31	3.00
Pass Efficiency		148.3
Completion %		.614
Rushing	6,099/35	174.3
Yards/Rush	6099/1476	4.13
Rushing TD/Game	63/35	1.80
Record	28-7	.800

Swinney Honors

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

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

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

Back-to-Back Atlantic Division Crowns

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

Reader Two-Sport Athlete on Top 25 Teams

Clemson defensive tackle D.J. Reader was also a member of the Clemson baseball team in 2013. Clemson finished 25th in the final

USA Today Coach's Baseball poll, meaning Reader was a member of two top 25 teams during the academic year. The Clemson football team finished ninth in the final USA Today poll and 11th by Associated Press after its 11-2 season.

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

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

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

Clemson Ranked in Top 25 as Public Institution and Football

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

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

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

Top 25 Public Institutions US News & World Report

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

Peake Suffers Torn ACL in Practice, Out for Season

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

"This is a big loss, Charone was having a great year and was going to have a great year," said Head Coach Dabo Swinney. "We are

thin at receiver with just six scholarship players now. We like to carry 10 at that position. We have good players, but we don't have a lot of bodies."

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

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

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

Top Seven in APR Scores

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

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

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

National Leaders in APR Scores 2011

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

National Leaders in APR Scores 2012

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

Only 10 Scholarship Seniors

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

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

Clemson scholarship Seniors

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

Twenty-Six Former Clemson Players on NFL Rosters

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

The list includes seven players from last year's 11-2 Clemson team. DeAndre Hopkins, Jaron Brown, Malliciah Goodman, Andre Ellington and Jonathan Meeks are all on active rosters, while Tig Willard, Dalton Freeman. So seven of the 11 seniors on that team are on rosters.

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

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

Former Clemson Players on NFL Training Camp Rosters in 2013

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

21 Wins over Two Years

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

10-Plus Win Seasons, 2011 and 2012

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

Listed in alphabetical order

Radakovich Named to Football Selection Committee

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

The members of the selection committee are:

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