

# FINAL 1973 TEAM STATISTICS

Ga. Tech    Opp's

Number of times carried rushing	532	538
Gross yards gained rushing	2063	2682
Yards lost rushing	343	235
Net yards gained rushing	1720	2447
Average yards gained per attempt rushing	3.2	4.5
Average yards gained per game rushing	156.4	222.5
Number of touchdowns scored rushing	16	13
Number of 2-point conversions attempted-made rushing	2-0	1-1
Season's longest gain rushing, yards	45	80
NUMBER OF PASSES ATTEMPTED	257	198
NUMBER OF PASSES COMPLETED	137	103
PERCENTAGE OF ATTEMPTED PASSES COMPLETED	.533	.520
NUMBER OF PASSES HAD INTERCEPTED	14	13
NET YARDS GAINED PASSING	1692	1313
AVERAGE YARDS GAINED PER PASS ATTEMPT	6.6	6.6
AVERAGE YARDS GAINED PER PASS COMPLETION	12.4	12.7
AVERAGE YARDS GAINED PER GAME PASSING	153.8	119.4
NUMBER OF TOUCHDOWNS SCORED PASSING	6	12
NUMBER OF 2-POINT CONVERSIONS ATTEMPTED-MADE PASSING	0-0	0-0
SEASON'S LONGEST GAIN PASSING, YARDS	69	53
Number of plays total offense (running and passing)	789	736
Net yards gained total offense	3412	3760
Average yards gained per play total offense	4.3	5.1
Average yards gained per game total offense	310.2	341.8
TOTAL NUMBER OF INTERCEPTIONS	13	14
NET YARDS INTERCEPTIONS WERE RETURNED	99	298
AVERAGE RETURN YARDS PER INTERCEPTION	7.6	21.3
NUMBER OF TOUCHDOWNS SCORED ON INTERCEPTION RETURNS	0	1
SEASON'S LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN, YARDS	32	100
Total number of times punted	51	51
Total number of yards punted	2048	1979
Number of punts had blocked	0	0
Punting average, yards	40.2	38.8
Season's longest punt, yards	60	61
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUNTS RETURNED	13	26
NET YARDS PUNTS RETURNED	129	192
AVERAGE YARDS PER PUNT RETURN	9.9	7.4
NUMBER OF TOUCHDOWNS SCORED ON PUNT RETURNS	0	1
SEASON'S LONGEST PUNT RETURN, YARDS	17	50
Total number of kickoffs returned	37	37
Net yards kickoffs returned	785	696
Average yards per kickoff return	21.2	18.8
Season's longest kickoff return, yards	54	76
NUMBER OF FIRST DOWNS MADE RUSHING	105	133
NUMBER OF FIRST DOWNS MADE PASSING	82	73
NUMBER OF FIRST DOWNS MADE BY PENALTIES RECEIVED	12	15
TOTAL NUMBER OF FIRST DOWNS	199	221
AVERAGE NUMBER OF FIRST DOWNS MADE PER GAME	18.1	20.1
Number of penalties charged against	47	53
Total number of yards penalized	462	498
Average number of yards penalized per game	42.0	45.3
TOTAL NUMBER OF TIMES FUMBLED	13	34
NUMBER OF OWN FUMBLES LOST	8	21
NUMBER OF OPPONENT'S FUMBLES RECOVERED	21	8

TOTAL NUMBER OF FUMBLES RECOVERED (OWN AND OPPONENTS)	26	21
Total number of touchdowns scored	22	27
Number of 1-point conversion attempts kicking	20	26
Number of 1-point conversions scored kicking	18	21
Number of 2-point conversion attempts rushing-passing	2-0	1-0
Number of 2-point conversions scored rushing-passing	0-0	1-0
Number of field goals attempted	26	15
Number of field goals scored	14	8
Season's longest field goal scored, yards	55	42
Number of safeties scored	0	1
Total first quarter points scored	40	16
Total second quarter points scored	55	102
Total third quarter points scored	46	51
Total fourth quarter points scored	51	42
Total number of points scored	192	211
Average number of points scored per game	17.5	19.2

## FINAL 1973 STATISTICS OF INDIVIDUALS (and their career records to date)

\*Players in **BOLD FACE**  
will not return in 1974

RUSHING	No. Att's	Net Yards	Avg. Yards	For TDs	Long Gain	Career Record				
						Att's	Yards	Avg.	TDs	LG
<b>Cleo Johnson</b>	92	451	4.9	0	22	93	449	4.8	0	22
<b>Greg Horne</b>	108	367	3.4	5	16	370	1425	3.9	11	34
<b>Bruce Southall</b>	85	316	3.7	1	14	186	825	4.4	5	29
Rick Hill	59	226	3.8	6	16	59	226	3.8	6	16
Pat Moriarty	50	222	4.4	0	31	50	222	4.4	0	31
Rudy Allen	20	49	1.8	0	17	20	49	1.8	0	17
<b>Dick Bowley</b>	1	45	45.0	0	45	1	45	45.0	0	45
Mike Mercer	6	18	3.0	1	5	6	18	3.0	1	5
Jim Robinson	6	15	2.5	0	8	9	31	3.4	0	11
Jimmy Murray	3	14	4.7	0	8	3	14	4.7	0	8
<b>Joby Leahy</b>	4	14	3.5	0	8	4	14	3.5	0	8
Bubba Miller	4	12	3.0	0	6	4	12	3.0	0	6
<b>Jim Owings</b>	1	4	4.0	0	4	3	12	4.0	0	18
<b>Jim Stevens</b>	90	-1	-	3	21	107	-23	-	4	21
Steve Raible	1	-1	-	0	-	1	-1	-	0	-
Tom Lang	(Did not play 1973 — injury)					118	382	3.2	5	36
Randy Rhino	(Did not have rushing play 1973)					1	1	1.0	0	1
Eddie Ellerbee	(Did not have rushing play 1973)					1	1	1.0	0	1
<b>Robert Stevenson</b>	(Did not have rushing play 1972 or 73)					4	12	3.0	0	14

TOTAL OFFENSE LEADERS	No. Att's	Yards Rush	Yards Pass	Total Yards	Career Record			
					Att's	Rush	Pass	Total
<b>Jim Stevens</b>	307	-1	1481	1480	356	-23	1732	1709
<b>Cleo Johnson</b>	92	451	0	451	93	449	0	449
<b>Greg Horne</b>	108	367	0	367	370	1425	0	1425
<b>Bruce Southall</b>	85	316	0	316	186	825	0	825

PASSING	No. Att'd	No. Comp'd	Percent Comp'd	Had Int'd	Net Yards	Avg. Per Comp'n	For TDs	Long Gain
<b>Jim Stevens</b>	217	119	.548	13	1481	12.4	4	69
Career Record	249	137	.550	16	1732	12.6	4	69
Rudy Allen	27	11	.407	1	118	10.7	1	25
(Career Record	(Same as above)							
Joby Leahy	9	6	.667	0	56	9.3	1	16
Career Record	(Same as above)							
Jim Robinson	2	1	.500	0	37	17.0	0	17
Career Record	(Same as above)							
Rick Hill	2	0	.000	0				
Career Record	(Same as above)							
<b>Dick Bowley</b>	(Did not attempt a pass 1973)							
Career Record	1	0	.000					

PASS RECEIVING	No. Rec'd	Net Yards	Avg. Yards	For TDs	Long Gain	Career Record				
						Rec'd	Yards	Avg.	TDs	LG
Jim Robinson	34	597	17.6	2	69	82	1409	17.2	11	77
<b>Mark Fields</b>	22	281	12.8	1	22	50	762	14.0	1	45
<b>Bruce Southall</b>	21	201	9.5	0	21	30	291	9.7	0	21
<b>Robert Stevenson</b>	10	99	9.9	0	20	13	147	11.3	0	27
Jim Owings	9	118	13.1	1	37	35	470	13.4	7	37
<b>Bubba Miller</b>	8	73	9.1	1	14	8	73	9.1	1	14
<b>Cleo Johnson</b>	6	62	10.3	0	29	8	89	11.1	0	29
Pat Moriarty	6	12	2.0	0	10	6	12	2.0	0	10
<b>Greg Horne</b>	5	63	12.6	0	25	13	128	9.8	1	25
Eddie Ellerbee	4	70	17.5	0	37	4	70	17.5	0	37
Mike Mercer	4	44	11.0	0	24	4	44	11.0	0	24
Jimmy Murray	3	26	8.7	1	15	3	25	8.7	1	15
Steve Raible	3	25	8.3	0	10	3	25	8.3	0	10
Rick Hill	2	21	10.5	0	15	2	21	10.5	0	15
Tom Long	(Did not play 1973)				11	106	9.6	2	36	

PUNT RETURNS	No. Ret'd	Net Yards	Avg. Yards	For TDs	Long Gain	Career Record				
						Ret'd	Yards	Avg.	TDs	LG
Randy Rhino	12	129	10.8	0	17	37	570	15.4	1	96
<b>Scott Bridge</b>	1	0	—	—	—	1	0	—	—	—
<b>Mike McKenzie</b>	—	—	—	—	—	2	16	8.0	0	10

\*Includes blocked punt 1971 season.

KICKOFF RETURNS	No. Ret'd	Net Yards	Avg. Yards	For TDs	Long Gain	Career Record				
						Ret'd	Yards	Avg.	TDs	LG
Randy Rhino	17	425	25.0	0	54	18	448	24.9	0	54
Jim Robinson	5	130	26.0	0	47	5	130	26.0	0	47
<b>Bubba Miller</b>	5	71	14.2	0	18	5	71	14.2	0	18
Rick Hill	3	47	15.7	0	18	3	47	15.7	0	18
Pat Moriarty	2	45	22.5	0	25	2	45	22.5	0	25
Eddie Porter	2	25	12.5	0	14	2	25	12.5	0	14
Danny Myers	1	22	22.0	0	22	1	22	22.0	0	22
Steve Crawford	1	20	20.0	0	20	1	20	20.0	0	20
Tony Lubischer	1	0	—	—	—	1	0	—	—	—
Mike Mercer	(Did not return kickoff 1973)					10	206	20.6	0	30
<b>Cleo Johnson</b>	(Did not return kickoff 1973)					8	151	18.9	0	25
Tom Long	(Did not play 1973)					8	144	18.0	0	25
Eddie Ellerbee	(Did not return kickoff 1973)					1	26	26.0	0	26
<b>Bruce Southall</b>	(Did not return kickoff 1973)					2	13	6.5	0	14

INTERCEPTIONS	No. Int'd	Total Yards	Avg. Yards	Had Bld	Long Gain	Career Record				
						No.	Yards	Avg.	Bld	LG
Randy Rhino	6	45	7.5	0	32	14	216	15.4	1	43
<b>Steve Putnal</b>	2	29	14.5	0	22	4	38	9.5	0	22
Tony Daykin	1	14	14.0	0	14	1	14	14.0	0	14
<b>Mike McKenzie</b>	1	6	6.0	0	6	3	88	29.3	0	63
Don Shank	1	5	5.0	0	5	1	5	5.0	0	5
Eddie Porter	1	0	—	—	—	1	0	—	—	—
<b>Scott Bridge</b>	1	0	—	—	—	2	48	24.0	0	48
Bruce Elliott	(Did not play 1973)					2	43	21.5	1	39
<b>Witt Wisman</b>	(Did not have inter'ns 1973)					1	25	25.0	0	25

PUNTS	No. Punts	Total Yards	Avg. Yards	Had Bld	Long Gain	Career Record				
						No.	Yards	Avg.	Bld	LG
<b>Dick Bowley</b>	51	2048	40.2	0	60	141	5423	38.46	0	62

SCORING	Kick Conversions Att'd Scored	2-Point Conversions Rush P. Rec'n	Field Goals Att'd Scored	Touch-downs	Total Points
<b>Cam Bonifay</b>	20	18	—	15	54
Career Record	20	18	—	37	93
Rick Hill	—	—	—	—	6
Career Record	(Same as above)				
<b>Greg Horne</b>	—	—	—	—	5
Career Record	—	—	—	—	12
<b>Jim Stevens</b>	—	—	—	—	3
Career Record	—	—	—	—	4
Jim Robinson	—	—	—	—	2
Career Record	—	0	1	—	11
<b>Jim Owings</b>	—	—	—	—	1
Career Record	—	0	1	—	7
<b>Bruce Southall</b>	—	—	—	—	1
Career Record	—	—	—	—	5
Tom Long	(did not play in 1973)				
Career Record	—	0	1	—	7
Randy Rhino	(Did score in 1973)				
Career Record	—	—	—	—	2
E. O. Wheeler	—	—	—	11	*2
Career Record	—	—	—	15	*2

The following men scored 1 touchdown each for 6 points in 1973 (which is also their career records): **Bubba Miller**, **Jimmy Murray**, **Mark Fields**, **Mike Mercer**, **Bruce Elliott** (did not play 1973) scored 1 touchdown for 6 points in 1972 which is also his career record.

# Bonifay's Long Field Goal Was 46 Yards.

\* Wheeler's Long Field Goal Was 55 Yards.

**Opponents' Fumbles Recovered By:** Randy Rhino 3, 2 each by **Steve Putnal**, **Beau Bruce**, **Rick Gibney** and **Scott Bridge**. 1 each by **Witt Wisman**, **Alex Bryan**, **Billy Foy**, **Don Shank**, **Dean Campbell**, **John Skalko**, **Steve Crawford** and **Rick Rawlins**.

**Touchdown Saving Tackles:** Randy Rhino 11, **Witt Wisman** 2. One each by **Joe Harris**, **Rick Gibney** and **Steve Putnal**.

**Big Plays** (other than TD saving tackles): Randy Rhino 11, **Steve Putnal** 8, **Rick Gibney** 7, **Beau Bruce** 7, **Witt Wisman** 5, **Joe Harris** 5, **Scott Bridge** 5, **Don Shank** 4, **Rick Rawlins** 3. Two each by **Mike McKenzie**, **Tony Lubischer**, **Jim Kroll**, **Billy Foy**, **Stan Long** and **John Tucci**. One each by **Mark McLaughlin**, **Eddie Porter**, **Leavitt Sanders**, **Dean Campbell**, **Tony Daykin** and **John Skalko**.

## INDIVIDUAL "HITS" BY GEORGIA TECH PLAYERS 1973

Note that "hits," as recorded by the Tech coaching staff grading game films, differ from the "tackles and assists" as kept by most schools in that every player participating in any degree in the stopping of an opposing runner is credited with a "hit" on the play.

PLAYERS	No. Total		Avg. Per Game	High Game, Hits
	Games	Hits		
<b>DOWN LINEMEN</b>				
Rick Gibney	11	73	6.6	Clemson 10
Tony Lubischer	6	56	9.3	Tulane 12
<b>Beau Bruce</b>	10	56	5.6	South Carolina 10
<b>Rick Rawlins</b>	11	45	4.1	South Carolina 9
<b>Bobby Daffer</b>	9	42	4.7	South Carolina 9
Jeff Urczyk	10	31	3.1	Auburn 7
Dean Campbell	4	18	4.5	Tulane 8
Red McDaniel	5	10	2.0	V.M.I. 4
Andy Naples	2	5	2.5	V.M.I. 3
Mark McLaughlin	3	4	1.3	Clemson 3
<b>Vernon Jackson</b>	1	1	1.0	South Carolina 1

### LINEBACKERS (Includes Stingers and Wreckers)

Don Shank	11	114	10.4	Duke 20
Joe Harris	10	107	10.7	Auburn 21
<b>Witt Wisman</b>	11	96	8.7	Auburn 12
<b>Steve Putnal</b>	11	92	8.4	Georgia 19
Stan Long	11	75	6.8	Navy 13
Leavitt Sanders	10	40	4.0	South Carolina 10
Tom Rassau	5	11	2.2	V.M.I. 4
John Skalko	5	9	1.8	Army 5
John Tucci	5	8	1.6	South Carolina 2
Bob Bowen	2	6	3.0	V.M.I. 5
Tim Hyland	2	4	2.0	South Carolina 2
Tony Daykin	1	3	3.0	V.M.I. 3
Billy Foy	3	3	1.0	Tennessee 1
Jimmy Coleman	1	2	2.0	South Carolina 2

### BACKS

Randy Rhino	11	66	6.0	Tennessee 12
Scott Bridge	10	47	4.7	Southern California 9
Danny Myers	7	44	6.3	Southern California 12
<b>Mike McKenzie</b>	9	21	2.3	Duke 5
Jim Kroll	4	12	3.0	Auburn 4
Eddie Porter	2	8	4.0	Tennessee 4
Jeff Smith	4	7	1.8	Clemson 3
Steve Crawford	2	3	1.5	Southern California 2
Dennis Scully	3	3	1.0	Southern California 1

## GEORGIA TECH RECORDS SET 1973 SEASON

### BY INDIVIDUAL (8 set or tied)

**Most Field Goals Kicked Game**, 4 (by Cam Bonifay vs Navy. Old record 3.)  
**Longest Field Goal**, 55 yards (by E. O. Whealler vs V.M.I. Old record 54).  
**Most Field Goals Season**, 12 (by Cam Bonifay. Ties record by Lothridge).  
**Most Field Goals Career**, 25 (by Cam Bonifay 1971, 1972, 1973. Old record by Billy Lothridge was 21 1961, 1962, 1963 seasons).  
**Best Pass Reception Yardage Average Season** (minimum 18 received), 17.6 yards (by Jim Robinson. Old record was 16.9 by Robinson 1972).  
**Most Passes Intercepted Career**, 14 (by Randy Rhino 1972 and 1973, Ties record by Jeff Ford 1969, 1970, 1971 seasons).  
**Most Yards on Kickoff Returns Season**, 425 (by Randy Rhino. Old record was 378 by Gene Spiotta 1969).  
**Most Touchdown Saving Tackles Season**, 11 (by Randy Rhino. Old record was 10 by Rhino 1972).

### BY TEAM (7 set or tied)

**Grant Field Single Game Attendance Record**, 60,316 vs Georgia (Old record was 60,204 vs Auburn 1971).  
**Most Field Goals Season**, 14 (Old record was 12 1963).  
**Best Punting Average Season**, 40.2 (Old record was 40.0 1965).  
**Fewest Fumbles Season**, 13 (Ties record set by 1955 team).  
**Most Net Yards Given Up Rushing Season**, 2447 (Old record 2339 1968).  
**Most Net Yards Given Up Total Offense Season**, 3760 (Old mark 3685 1969).  
**Most First Downs Given Up Season**, 221 (Old record was 215 1968).

### GEORGIA TECH INDIVIDUALS IN 1973 NATIONAL RANKINGS

**Kickoff Returns**: Randy Rhino, 15th. Rhino returned 17 kickoffs for a net 425 yards, an average of 25 yards a return.  
**Passing**: Jim Stevens, 25th. Stevens completed 119 of 217 attempted for a net 1481 yards and 4 touchdowns, has 13 intercepted. His per game average of completions was 10.8.  
**Field Goals Accuracy**: Cam Bonifay, tied for 8th. Bonifay scored on 12 of 15 field goals attempted.

### GEORGIA TECH TEAM IN 1973 NATIONAL RANKINGS

**Fewest Number of Times Fumbled**: The Tech team was first nationally with just 13 fumbles all season.