

Virginia vs. Georgia Tech – Oct. 20, 2022 – Postgame Notes

Team Notes

- Virginia took control of the all-time series against Georgia Tech, improving to 22-21-1 against the Yellow Jackets.
- The Cavaliers picked up their first win at Bobby Dodd Stadium since 2008, dropping their previous five decisions.
- UVA has won four of the last five games against the Yellow Jackets.
- It marked only the second time in the 44-games between the two schools that Georgia Tech failed to reach double-digit points (UVA won 24-7 in Atlanta in 1994).
- Virginia picked up its first road win of the season and first victory away from Charlottesville since winning at Louisville on Oct. 9, 2021, a span of five games.
- The Cavaliers accumulated eight sacks, the second-most ever in a game in program history and the most since setting the school record with nine against Duke in 2006. UVA has recorded eight sacks in a game, four times, most recently in 1996 against Wake Forest.
- The eight sacks are the most by an ACC team this season. Including UVA, only seven schools in the country have recorded eight or more sacks in a game this season.
- UVA defense did not allow a first down in the third quarter and held Georgia Tech to 14 total yards in the third quarter on four drives (all 3-and-outs). It forced the Yellow Jackets to go 3-and-out on its first six possessions of the second half.
- The Georgia Tech offense did not score in the second half, the first time a UVA opponent was held scoreless in the second half since blanking Duke in the final 30 minutes last season.
- UVA blocked a punt on Georgia Tech's third possession of the game, **Chayce Chalmers** got a hand on a David Shanahan attempt. It marked the first blocked punt for UVA since 2019 against Pitt.
- The UVA defense held the Yellow Jackets to 202 yards of total offense (146 pass/55 rush), the fewest in a game since allowing 183 against William & Mary in 2021 and the fewest allowed to an FBS/ACC opponent since yielding 199 to Pitt in 2013.

Player Notes

- **Brennan Armstrong** threw his 57th touchdown pass of his career, a 44-yard catch and run by Dontayvion Wicks in the second quarter to break UVA's career touchdown record. He surpassed Matt Schaub who threw for 56 touchdowns from 2000-03.
- Both Schaub and Armstrong broke the UVA career TD record in their 38th game. Schaub broke Shawn Moore's then-record with a 52-yard strike to Heath Miller in the 2003 Continental Tire Bowl against Pitt.
- Atlanta native **Nick Jackson** finished with a team-high eight tackles, recorded two sacks and recovered a fumble in the contest. It was his first ever multiple sack game and first fumble recovery of his career.
- Jackson moved up to 14th place all-time on UVA's all-time career tackle list and now has 324 in his four seasons as a Cavalier.
- **Chico Bennett Jr.**, a transfer from Georgia Tech, also put together his first multi-outing sack of his career. He leads the team six on the season.
- **Paul Akere** had a career-high two sacks and was responsible for four tackles, a season-high.

- **Michael Diatta** recorded his first career sack and added another tackle for loss. He became the ninth Cavalier to record a sack on the season.
- The first career interception by **Coen King** came on a deflected ball by **Fentrell Cypress** in the end zone.
- Wicks had a season-high, 99 yards receiving on four catches. A total of 43 of his yards came after the catch. Wicks had two catches of 20 or more yards the 44-yard TD catch and a 37-yard catch in the third quarter. He has 34 catches of 20 or more yards, the most by any Cavalier receiver since 2000.
- Armstrong accounted for 346 yards of total offense (255 passing, 91 rushing), his second highest output of the season. He rushed for his 18th career touchdown, one shy of fourth place on UVA's all-time list for quarterbacks.
- Punter **Daniel Sparks** punted five times for 215 yards and had three punts downed inside the 20-yard line, a career-high.
- **Trey McDonald** made his collegiate debut in the contest.