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**THINKS GATORS 'FRAID
KENDALL MILTON**



**& DRINKS GATORADE
TODD GURLEY**

“I really just want our guys to dominate the guy that lines up across from them, it’s just that simple. If every guy that we put on the field can dominate the guy across from him, then I think we’ll come out ahead, and I’ll be happy about it.” ~Kirby Smart

“I want to physically beat you. So I want to run the ball and put my helmet in your ribs, and I want to beat you and make you not want to play anymore.” ~Isaiah Wilson

“If lessons are learned in defeat, Vanderbilt’s players are getting a great education.” ~Little Woolly

On behalf of Mrs. Butts, Granny Butts, Little Woolly, Brother Willy, and the bigger Butts family, welcome to Year XI of The Dawgmeister on The Dawgbone! Thanks of course to Deke and the Dawgbones for hosting another edition of Fake Football News and publishing it as, and I quote, an exclusive feature. And thanks to all who find it a fine and edifying investment of 10 minutes a week in the fall.

So much has been written leading up to the season that there’s little for me to add, so I’ll not play Captain Obvious and repeat it here. I instead pose a challenge to all 4 of my readers, based on a conversation I had recently with The Scowlmeister, whose generally dim outlook has shown signs of weakness in light of the talent pool recently assembled in Athens. After we’d poured ourselves a tall soda water—and got rather risqué when we added a twist of lime—we warmed up with some relatively easy topics. Even so, it took us nearly an hour to cure cancer, bring peace to the Middle East, and get Mexico to pay for The Wall. We then took on the bigger question: This season, who will come out of nowhere and become indispensable to the Georgia Bulldogs?

It always happens. Aaron Davis did it as the walkon who became a 4-year fixture in the defensive backfield. J.R. Reed did it as the 2-star transfer from Tulsa who was supposed to be the bait to bring in his cousin, and then became the anchor of the secondary. Tae Crowder did it as one of the lowest-ranked guys signed by UGA since the Charley Trippi era, an RB recruit who switched to ILB and beat out the high school superstars who were ahead of him in the fans’ imaginations. Jordan Davis did it last year as a low-ranked fat kid who got in shape and took over the DL.

Solomon Kindley did it as another low-ranked fat kid who played his way into the OL rotation as a RS freshman and is now a preseason All American; and Andrew Thomas did it as a true freshman when he played his way past higher ranked classmates and more experienced veterans to become a fixture at tackle, joining Kindley on this fall’s All American teams. Jake Fromm did it as the new kid backing up the budding superstar, the scout team QB who got his chance and never let it go. This year, who’ll it be?


No fair picking George Pickens, Zamir White, Nakobe Dean, Nolan Smith, Travon Walker, Dom Blaylock, Tyrique Stevenson, and other much-hyped guys who had great camps and aren’t sneaking up on anybody; or guys like Divaad Wilson and Azeez Ojulari, who were hurt last year but have gotten raves from the coaches and reporters for their work in practice last spring and during fall camp.

I won't even give you Kearis Jackson, maybe because I always thought he'd be good, but also because he's running with the 2's only behind the now-SECized Demetris Robertson. And you can't have him, either.

Lawrence Cager and Eli Wolf are out because we know they're good already. But we knew that about Jay Hayes, too. I'd also rule out Jermaine Johnson and D. J. Daniel as out-of-the-blue emerging stars, because they are older and have high-end forecasts for productivity....[like these other JC stars](#). But still, nobody would be shocked to see them play significant minutes.

So, who's left? Maybe a WR who's waited his turn, like Trey Blount or Tommy Bush? Maybe a new, underrated receiver like TE Brett Seither? Maybe a highly ranked guy who seems lost in the position battles but who might take off, like Netori Johnson? Maybe one of those DBs who's put in practice time without getting playing time, like Poole, Brini, or Speed? Maybe a backup OL like Owen Condon or a true freshman like Xavier Truss breaking into the rotation if someone gets hurt? Maybe a new RB like Kenny McIntosh, who couldn't possibly get reps on this depth chart, but might make the bus anyhow and break out as the season unfolds?

Let's kick this thing off and find out.

 A Coveted Dawgmeister Game Ball goes to Brian Herrien, who wrote the only grammatically-correct tweet in the history of the medium:



DAWGMEISTER GOOD WORKS OF THE WEEK

The Weekend Forecast is offered as a free service to its readers; neither the Dawgbone nor The Dawgmeister profits financially from its publication. If you read the Forecast and want to contribute something back to our communities, please consider making a donation to this week's featured Good Works service. There are many people living in needy circumstances, and every dollar helps to support them through another day, week, month, and year. This week's featured Good Works organization is

Camp Sunshine enriches the lives of Georgia's children with cancer and their families through year-round recreational, educational and support programs. Camp Sunshine is committed to providing opportunities for normal development for all children with cancer throughout their journey and bringing together those with similar experiences to share and draw strength from one another amid common understanding.

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DAWG DOOTS

- ☞ In 2018, UGA received 26,448 applications for admission to the freshman class. 12,724 were admitted, from which 5,750 students enrolled. In a survey of those who enrolled, 91.3% said that their main reason for coming to UGA was Sam Pittman.
- ☞ The other 8.7% play another position.
- ☞ “Coach Pittman is a good guy and a better coach.” ~ Chad Lindberg
- ☞ Um, Chad, you’re supposed to say, “Coach Pittman is a good coach, and a better guy.”
- ☞ Many people are wondering, will UGA have to beat Alabama twice this season?
- ☞ Little Woolly wants to know, will we have to beat them 3 times in 2020?
- ☞ Please join me in boycotting [Waffle House, the Official Restaurant of Gooff Collins](#).
- ☞ Collins has already reserved the [Waffle House Food Truck](#) to cater his daughter Astrid’s wedding.
- ☞ I have banned LaVar Ball from The Weekend Forecast following his sexually suggestive comments to Molly Qerim, and everything else he’s ever said.
- ☞ When asked why he was skipping the college experience to play professional basketball in Australia, LaMelo Ball responded, “To get as far away from Pops as possible.”
- ☞ Average number of times the word “intelligent” appears in a typical 200-word update on Nakobe Dean: 37.
- ☞ Will George Pickens, Dom Blaylock, and Makiya Tongue help Georgia fans pose the question, Jaden Who?selwood?
- ☞ “I’m falling in love with George [Pickens] day by day.” ~Eric Stokes
- ☞ “Every day, I’m falling more and more in love with [Azeez Ojulari].” ~Eric Stokes
- ☞ “I’m falling in love with Eric Stokes, a little more every day.” ~Granny Butts
- ☞ Here’s a new feature of college football websites: the latest from the transfer portal.



- ☞ What we really need now is a website that explains why Player A gets granted immediate eligibility, and identical Player B doesn’t.
- ☞ Before we get too excited about recruiting rankings, check <https://247sports.com/college/florida/Season/2020-Football/Commits/>, which reports that Ronald Powell is the highest-ranked recruit ever at Florida (5th round draft pick, pro flop). #2 is Brock Berlin (transferred to Miami, undrafted, momentary NFL career). #3 was Martez Ivey, a 4-year starter who went undrafted in 2019.
- ☞ But don’t get too cocky. UGA’s top-ranked recruits all-time—assuming that this list does not include the early 1980s—are, in order, Justin Fields, Nolan Smith, Trenton Thompson, Brandon Miller, and Jacob Eason. Neither Thompson nor

Miller was drafted, and the two of them played a total of 1 NFL game with a total of 1 tackle. The guy who ran Fields and Eason out of town ain't on the list. Let's hope that Smith makes a greater impact than the others in this ranking.

MAJOR UPDATES YOU JUST CAN'T MISS

- ☞ The Summer Separated@Birth Special awaits you at <http://www.thedawgmeister.com/Gallery/Separated.htm#Summer2019>.
- ☞ And the additions to the Bad Hair Hall of Fame are surely worth your attention. If you're not familiar with the hirsute affectations of George Parros, Tim Tebow, and other coiffuminaries, quaff a frosty one and visit <http://www.thedawgmeister.com/Gallery/Hair.html>.

THE COVETED DAWGMEISTER GOOD GUY OF THE WEEK AWARD

GOOD GUY ARCHIVE

Geno Atkins came to UGA from St. Thomas Aquinas in Fort Lauderdale as a 4-star DL. He was in the rotation in the first defensive series of his first game his freshman year, stayed there throughout his career, and then headed to the NFL, where he's continued to dominate opponents in spite of being a relatively low 4th-round draft pick. Geno's a 7-time Pro Bowler and 3-time All-Pro defensive tackle, one of the best Dawgs to play between the hedges and a bright spot on Bengals team where few have thrived without having first played in Athens. With those credentials, he's a surefire NFL Hall of Famer, an impressive achievement for guys playing on teams that rarely make the playoffs. But Geno has always been more than a baller. Late in 2018, he and his wife Kristen started taking care of over fifty Cincinnati families struggling to get their bills paid and put food on the table. "Kristen and I had the amazing opportunity to call some of these incredibly deserving people and families earlier," Geno said of the struggling families served by gifts to help with house and medical bills, adoption funds, tuition assistance, necessary shopping, and more. Geno said, "We can't imagine being hungry or homeless any time of year, but especially during the holidays," Atkins wrote. "We were again moved today by the incredible stories of resiliency. From groceries to new beds to dental bills—a great reminder that so many in our communities face daily struggles and we can all do a little something to help this time of year!" In addition to families, Geno and Kristen assisted such organizations as Blessing Bags of Love, a Cincinnati charity that helps keep homeless people warm in the winter; and hospitals like Cincinnati Children's Hospital, which they have visited and supported. If you are concerned he can't afford it, think again. Last year Geno signed a four-year deal worth \$65.3 million, the largest contract given to a non-quarterback age 30 or older in NFL history. He's worth more than that as a human being; the old saw that "he's an even better person" applies in a big way to the big man, a good guy doing great things in his post-UGA life.



THE FORECAST

DAWGS VS. VANDY

Dawgs are up, 'Dores are down. This one should be a nice way to open the season, the hardest of three games before Notre Dame comes to town to get their asses kicked too. Fromm's baseball cap should be on by the 4th quarter, and we'll be treated to the Stetson Bennett Show, and perhaps more. Not much to say here because I don't truck in pre-game gloating (much). The Dawgs come to play, create havoc, finish the drill, keep the main thing the main thing, do their job by doing their job, move the chains, do more, keep chopping, privilege the pressure, and, in the immortal words of Derek Dooley, "kick the shit out of Vandy!" But we won't need overtime to do it the way D-Dool's Vols did. UGA 51, Vanderbilt 10.

NATIONAL GAME OF THE WEEK: AUBURN OVER OREGON

SEC vs. PAC-12 in the AdvoCare Classic, and I know which league I think is better. I think there will be points because Oregon can score, PAC-12 teams just don't bother much with defense (see D-Rob's struggle to adjust to SEC defenses after lighting up the PAC-12). The League takes a lead in the national comparisons, and Auburn fans start to think that this is their year. Gus sure needs this one if he doesn't want to put his house up for sale after the season, but good news for Gus: The War Eagles pluck a Duck. AU 45, UO 31.

NATIONAL UPSET OF THE WEEK: BOISE STATE OVER FLORIDA STATE

Apparently Jimbo Fisher left a mess for Willie Taggart to clean up. A&M thought he'd revive their program too with high-character guys in the mold of Jameis Winston, and with [that can-do mindset](#) that Jimbo instituted at FSU. But the wreckage he left in Tallahassee hasn't gotten much better, given FSU's troubles with little matters like recruiting and retaining quarterbacks. I don't know much about BSU but think this one will tilt their way. Broncos 28, Seminoles 20.