

1953 VARSITY FOOTBALL

WON 7 - LOST 2 - TIED 1

Co-Champions Atlantic Coast Conference; State Champions

						<u>Attend.</u>
Sept. 19 - Duke	20	South Carolina	7	at Columbia, S. C.		30,000
Sept. 26 - Duke	19	Wake Forest	0	at Durham, N. C.		20,000
Oct. 3 - Duke	21	Tennessee	7	at Knoxville, Tenn.		30,000
Oct. 10 - Duke	20	Purdue (Homecoming)	14	at Durham, N. C.		30,000
Oct. 17 - Duke	13	Army	14	at New York, N. Y.		23,000
Oct. 24 - Duke	31	N. C. State	0	at Durham, N. C.		15,000
Oct. 31 - Duke	48	Virginia (Oyster Bowl)	6	at Norfolk, Va.		21,000
Nov. 7 - Duke	0	Navy	0	at Baltimore, Md.		15,000
Nov. 21 - Duke	10	Georgia Tech	13	at Atlanta, Ga.		40,000
Nov. 28 - Duke	<u>35</u>	North Carolina	<u>20</u>	at Durham, N. C.		<u>40,000</u>
	217		81			264,000

Head Coach: William D. (Bill) Murray

Assistants: Clarence Parker, offensive backfield; Thomas O'Boyle, offensive line; Marty Pierson, offensive ends; Carmen Falcone, defensive backfield; E. P. (Dumpy) Hagler, defensive line; Herschel Caldwell, defensive ends; Bob Cox, freshman coach; Ted Youngling, assistant freshman; Ray Green, student frosh helper; Bill Keziah, student frosh helper.

Trainers: Bob Chambers, head; Bob Montfort, assistant.

Manager: David Crockett, Wynnewood, Pa.

Captain: Howard Pitt, Hertford, N. C.

Participants:

* Bryant Aldridge	* Dave Lerps
Everett Anderson	* Jim Logan
* Jerry Barger	* Byrd Looper
* Jesse Birchfield	* Worth Lutz
* Dale Boyd	* Nick McKeithan
* Bobby Burrows	* W. D. McRoy
* Fred Campbell	Charles Mason
* Lloyd Caudle	* Ed Meadows (deceased)
Harry Conner	* Tracy Moon
* Bill Conner	* Jim Nelson
Sid Deloatch	* John Palmer
* Sam Eberdt	* Bob Pascal
Ben Eller	* Howard Pitt
* Ronnie Falls	* Marty Rose
* W. D. Fesperman	Leon Siler
Hunter Hadley	* Red Smith
* Joe Hands	* Walter Smith
* Bernie Jack	* Sonny Sorrell
* Jack Kistler	Riley Stallings
* Doug Knotts	* Ralph Torrance
* Jerry Kocourek	Elbert Whitley

* Denotes Letterman

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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING

	<u>TC</u>	<u>GAIN</u>	<u>LOSS</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>AVG.</u>
Hedley	1	12	0	12	12.0
B. Conner	9	78	0	78	8.7
Falls	14	83	0	83	5.9
J. Smith	65	381	9	372	5.7
McRoy	22	112	4	108	5.0
Eberdt	3	15	0	15	5.0
Candle	104	542	32	510	4.9
Pascal	44	242	30	212	4.8
Aldridge	10	41	0	41	4.1
Looper	45	158	2	156	3.5
Boyd	16	62	6	56	3.5
Kistler	64	230	8	222	3.5
McKeithan	27	99	10	89	3.3
Lutz	50	185	33	152	3.0
Barger	59	224	92	132	2.2
Lerps	7	24	12	12	1.7
Mason	2	3	1	2	1.0
Stallings	1	1	0	1	1.0

PUNTING

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Blk.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
Lutz	13	488	0	37.5
Lerps	4	144	0	36.0
Barger	34	1210	0	35.6
Pascal	2	70	0	35.0
J. Smith	1	27	0	27.0

PASSING

	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Comp.</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TDs.</u>
Barger	38	21	5	353	4
Lutz	44	16	3	203	0
Candle	6	5	0	82	1
J. Smith	4	1	0	6	0
Pascal	5	0	0	0	0
Lerps	3	0	0	0	0

PASS RECEIVING

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TDs.</u>
Pitt	14	189	0
J. Smith	6	136	2
Kocourek	4	45	0
Candle	3	94	2
Pascal	3	40	0
Hands	3	24	0
McKeithan	2	32	0
Moon	1	20	0
Kistler	1	18	0
McRoy	1	18	0
Falls	1	10	0
Sorrall	1	8	0
Aldridge	1	4	0
Boyd	1	3	0
B. Conner	1	3	1

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

INTERCEPTIONS

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TDs.</u>
Barger	6	55	0
Kocourek	2	2	0
Pitt	1	25	0
J. Smith	1	20	0
Candle	1	12	0
Palmer	1	5	0
Pascal	1	5	0
Sorrell	1	5	0
Boyd	1	1	0
Falls	1	0	0
Knotts	1	0	0
Moon	1	0	0

PUNT RETURNS

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TDs.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
Lerps	4	101	1	25.3
Pascal	1	24	0	24.0
Knotts	1	23	0	23.0
McRoy	1	17	0	17.0
Torrance	1	12	0	12.0
Barger	19	222	0	11.7
McKeithan	1	9	0	9.0
Lutz	9	54	0	6.0
Candle	1	0	0	0.0

KICKOFF RETURNS

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TDs.</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
Candle	2	76	0	38.0
Barger	6	149	0	24.8
Looper	1	27	0	27.0
Lutz	2	39	0	19.5
McRoy	1	15	0	15.0
J. Smith	1	14	0	14.0
Pitt	3	42	0	14.0
Kistler	2	15	0	7.5

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

	<u>TD</u>	<u>FG</u>	<u>MPA</u>	<u>MPM</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Candle	9	0	0	0	54
J. Smith	6	0	12	7	43
Kistler	3	0	0	0	18
Lutz	3	0	0	0	18
Barger	2	0	0	0	12
B. Conner	2	0	0	0	12
McRoy	2	0	0	0	12
Pascal	2	0	0	0	12
Jack	0	1	8	7	10
Aldridge	1	0	0	0	6
Falls	1	0	0	0	6
Lerps	1	0	0	0	6
Boyd	0	0	6	3	3
Pepperman	0	0	5	3	3

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TEAM STATISTICS

	<u>Duke</u>	<u>Opponents</u>
First downs,		
First downs, rushing	107	69
First downs, passing	29	31
First downs, penalty	8	8
First downs, total	144	108
Rushing plays	547	426
Yards gained, rushing	2477	1612
Net yards, rushing	2219	1443
Yards lost, rushing	258	169
Average rush	4.1	3.4
Net yards passing	644	791
Passes attempted	100	154
Passes completed	43	52
Passes intercepted by	18	8
Yards interceptions returned	130	112
Scoring passes	5	3
Yards per completion	15.0	15.2
Number of punts	55	67
Yards kicked	1939	2099
Punting average	35.3	31.3
Punts returned	38	32
Yards punts returned	462	188
Average punt return	12.2	5.9
TD on punt return	1	1
Number of KOs returned	18	46
Yards KOs returned	377	773
Average KO return	20.9	16.8
Number of penalties	62	52
Yards penalized	654	538
Fumbles	43	28
Fumbles lost	19	11
Touchdowns	32	12
Extra point tries	31 †	12
Extra points made	20 *	9
Safeties	1	0
Field Goals	1	0
Total Points	227	81

† - one try vs. Wake Forest unable to be completed due to bad center.

* - one try nullified by penalty vs. South Carolina

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BLUE DEVILS ON HONORARY SELECTIONS

ED MEADOWS: Look All-America, Williamson's All-America, Football Digest All America, Sunday News All-America, United Press All-America, second team, Associated Press All-State, United Press All-Conference, Southern Sports Writers Association All-Conference.

RED SMITH: Honorable Mention Williamson's All-America, Honorable Mention United Press All-America, Associated Press All-State, United Press All-Conference, Southern Sports Writers Association All-Conference.

HOWARD PITT: Sunday News All-South team, Honorable Mention United Press All-America, Associated Press All-State, United Press All-Conference, Southern Sports Writers Association All-Conference.

BOBBY BURROWS: Sunday News All-South team, Associated Press All-America third team, Honorable Mention United Press All-America, Associated Press All-State, United Press All-Conference, Southern Sports Writers Association All-Conference.

JOHNNY PALMER: Honorable Mention United Press All-America, Associated Press All-State, United Press All-Conference second team, Southern Sports Writers Association All-Conference second team.

JERRY BARGER: Associated Press All-State, Southern Sports Writers Association second team.

SONNY SORRELL: Associated Press All-State second team.

JESSE BIRCHFIELD: Associated Press All-State second team.

RALPH TORRANCE: Associated Press All-State second team.

LLOYD CAUDLE: Associated Press All-State second team, Southern Sports Writers Association All-Conference third team.