

W & L Quick Facts

Location: Lexington, Va.
 Founded 1749
 Affiliation: NCAA Division III
 Conference Old Dominion Athletic
 Enrollment 1,700
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 Nickname Generals
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1999 Schedule/Results

Sept. 11 at Johns Hopkins L, 14-31
Sept. 18 Guilford* **L, 20-22**
Sept. 25 Centre* **W, 23-17**
 Oct. 2 at Randolph-Macon* L, 23-30
Oct. 9 Davidson **L, 28-35**
 Oct. 16 at Hampden-Sydney* W, 24-12
 Oct. 23 at Sewanee W, 31-28
Oct. 30 Bridgewater* **1:00**
 Nov. 6 at Emory & Henry* 1:00
Nov. 13 Swarthmore **1:00**

ODAC Standings

Team	League	Overall
Catholic	3-0	6-1
Emory & Henry	3-1	5-2
Bridgewater	2-1	4-3
Randolph-Macon	2-1	3-4
Guilford	2-2	3-4
Washington & Lee	2-2	3-4
Hampden-Sydney	0-5	1-6

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GENERALS' FOOTBALL REPORT

Overall Record: 3-4 ODAC Record: 2-2 Home: 1-2 Away: 2-2

WEEK 8: vs. BRIDGEWATER (4-3, 2-1 ODAC)

Time: 1:00 pm

Site: Wilson Field (7,000)

Series: W&L Leads 21-8

Last Meeting:

10/31/98 at BC (W&L won 20-12)

First Meeting:

10/31/64 (W&L won 28-16)

Last W&L Win:

10/31/98 at BC (20-12)

Last BC Win:

10/31/92 at BC (20-12)

Current Series Streak: W&L +6

W&L vs. BC at W&L: 10-4

W&L vs. BC at BC: 11-4

THE LAST MEETING:

(W&L 20, Bridgewater 12, October 31, 1998 - Bridgewater, Va.) W&L running back **Marc Watson** rushed for a career-high 160 yards and one touchdown to help lead the Generals to a 20-12 victory over Bridgewater. The Generals opened the scoring with 6:23 remaining in the first quarter, as quarterback **Christian Batcheller** hit tight end **David Ritchey** with a one-yard touchdown pass to make the score 7-0. W&L added to its lead when wide receiver **Wes Hardy** hauled in a 12-yard touchdown pass with 10:18 left in the second quarter. **Brad Wiginton's** extra point attempt was blocked and W&L led, 13-0. Bridgewater retaliated with 6:45 remaining in the half when Michael Padgett booted a 51-yard field goal to make the score 13-3. Then, with 51 seconds remaining in the half, the Eagles blocked a W&L punt and recovered on the Generals' five-yard line. The W&L defense would hold on three plays and Padgett kicked a 19-yard field goal to make the score 13-6 at the half. Bridgewater began the scoring in the second half as quarterback Jason Lutz rushed 14 yards to paydirt with 6:07 left in the third to cut the W&L lead to 13-12. Padgett's point after touchdown was blocked by defensive lineman **Ben Middendorf** to preserve to lead for the Generals. Both teams would play scoreless until the 4:47 mark of the fourth quarter when Watson took a fourth-and-one play 12 yards to the end zone to give the Generals a 20-12 lead. Bridgewater drove to the W&L 23 yard line with 1:14 left on the clock, but the Eagles fumbled a handoff that was recovered by defensive end **Ross Kester** to end the threat. Batcheller completed 14-of-23 attempts for 122 yards and two touchdowns and **J.T. Malatesta** caught five balls for 51 yards to supplement the ground game paced by Watson. Lutz led Bridgewater's offensive attack with 95 yards rushing and one touchdown. He also completed six-of-14 pass attempts for 50 yards.

W&L PROBABLE STARTERS

OFFENSE

QB 16 Christian Batcheller Sr.
 FB 40 Scott Moses Sr.
 TB 24 Chris Sullivan Fr.
 SE 1 J.T. Malatesta Sr.
 FL 10 Bert O'Neal So.
 TE 25 Davis White Fr.
 LT 79 John Sensing Jr.
 LG 63 Colin Fitzgibbons Jr.
 C 73 Matt Seals Sr.
 RG 75 Justin Holton Jr.
 RT 74 Warren Hedges Sr.
 PK 19 Brad Wiginton So.
 KR 21 Matt Connors Fr.

DEFENSE

DE 47 Michael Moore Sr.
 LT 99 Jeff McIntyre So.
 NT 90 Mike Navalkowsky Jr.
 OLB 31 Jeff Bahl So.
 ILB 51 Keith Prusek Sr.
 ILB 50 Jayson Lipsey Jr.
 OLB 46 Josh Myerberg Sr.
 CB 42 Harry Brookby Sr.
 SS 6 Andy Robinson Jr.
 FS 27 Will Baker Jr.
 CB 34 Christopher Shortall So.
 P 20 Doug Williams Sr.
 PR 42 Harry Brookby Sr.

1999 Team Stats

W&L		BC
136	First Downs	105
141.3	Rushing Average	172.7
237.4	Passing Average	145.0
378.7	Total Offense	317.7
33.6	Punting Average	36.0
10	Turnovers	22
32/286	Pen./Yards	39/339
23.3	Scoring Average	24.7

W&L Stat Leaders

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	LG	TD
Watson	71	334	4.7	53	3
Sullivan	63	334	5.1	58	3

Passing	Att.	Comp.	Yds.	Int.	TD
Batcheller	192	117	1,444	6	8

Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	LG	TD
Malatesta	41	656	16.0	86	3
White	26	437	16.8	42	4
Hardy	13	109	8.4	23	0

BC Stat Leaders

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	LG	TD
Cruz	108	378	3.5	30	3
Cook	52	310	6.0	27	4
Lutz	64	238	3.7	51	1

Passing	Att.	Comp.	Yds.	Int.	TD
Lutz	148	63	902	8	8

Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	LG	TD
Ziegenfuss	16	175	10.9	27	1
Richardson	12	379	31.6	89	4

W&L By the Numbers

Washington & Lee's Record When it:

Wins the coin toss	1-1
Receives the opening kick	1-3
Scores first	1-2
Leads after one quarter	1-2
Leads at halftime	1-0
Leads after three quarters	2-0
Scores between 0-9 points	0-0
Scores between 10-19 points	0-1
Scores between 20-29 points	2-3
Scores 30+ points	1-0
Allows opponent 0-9 points	0-0
Allows opponent 10-19 points	2-0
Allows opponent 20-29 points	1-1
Allows opponent 30+ points	0-3
Leads in time of possession	1-3
Rushes for 200+ yards	0-0
Allows 200+ yards rushing	1-1
Passes for 200+ yards	2-3
Allows 200+ yards passing	1-3
Gains 400+ total yards	2-3
Allows 400+ total yards	0-2
Is penalized 50+ yards	2-1

THE SERIES:

This is the 30th meeting between the two schools, with W&L holding a 21-8 advantage in the series that began during the 1964 season. W&L has won each of the last six meetings, including a 20-12 win last season in Bridgewater, Va. Bridgewater has not won a game in Lexington, Va., since a 20-12 victory over the Generals in 1991.

SCOUTING BRIDGEWATER:

The Eagles enter their game with W&L with a 4-3 overall record, 2-1 in the ODAC. They have won four of their last five games, with the only loss coming to Maryville by a 21-20 score. Most recently, Bridgewater defeated Johns Hopkins, 37-24. The Eagles were down 24-10 heading into the fourth quarter but scored 27 points in the final period to claim the victory. The Eagles amassed 420 yards of total offense, led by running back **Gary Cook** and wide receiver **Marcus Richardson**. Cook rushed for 132 yards and one touchdown and Richardson caught two passes for 96 yards and a pair of touchdowns. On the season, the Eagles are averaging 317.7 yards of total offense, while giving up just 267.7 yards per game. Quarterback **Jason Lutz** heads up the offensive unit, completing 63-of-148 attempts for 902 yards and eight touchdowns. He has also rushed 64 times for 238 yards and one touchdown. **Davon Cruz** leads the Eagles' rushing attack with 378 yards and three touchdowns on 108 carries. Defensively, rover **Spencer Nice** leads Bridgewater with 75 tackles, one interception and one fumble recovery.

LAST TIME OUT:

The Washington and Lee football team improved to 3-4 on the season with a come-from-behind 31-28 victory over the Tigers of Sewanee. Sewanee jumped ahead early when quarterback Max Fuller hit wideout David Witt from 10 yards out only 10:46 into the first. The Tigers extended their lead to 14-0 when Fuller took a quarterback sneak into the endzone from the one-yard line. W&L freshman tailback **Chris Sullivan** cut the lead in half on a two-yard touchdown run with only 1:53 gone by in the second quarter. W&L tied the game at the 6:55 mark of thesecond when senior fullback **Scott Moses** took the ball into the endzone from two-yards out. The teams went into halftime with the game knotted at 14 points apiece. The Generals once again found themselves in a hole when the Sewanee defense picked off a pass on the W&L 10-yard line and carried it into the endzone for a 21-14 lead with only 2:54 gone-by in the third quarter. Washington and Lee once again retaliated, this time with a 41-yard touchdown pass from senior signal-caller **Christian Batcheller** to freshman tight-end **Davis White** at the 14:26 mark of the fourth quarter. Fuller tallied what proved to be the Tigers final points just 3:04 later when he once again called his own number from two-yards out, making the score 28-21. W&L began its final comeback at the 5:09 mark when junior placekicker **Andy Vendig** booted a 34-yard field goal to cut the Sewanee lead to 28-24. Sullivan then scored the winning touchdown for W&L on a four-yard carry, putting the Generals ahead 31-28 with 4:21 left in the game. W&L was able to stop the Tigers on their final effort to score. The Sewanee drive ended when W&L sophomore linebacker **Jeff Bahl** recovered a fumble inside W&L territory with only :50 left in the game. On the day, Bahl tallied 15 tackles, four fumble recoveries, a quarterback sack, and a pass deflection. Batcheller completed 13-of-27 pass attempts for 197 yards, one touchdown, and one interception. White caught four passes for 86 yards and a TD, while Sullivan had six catches for 81 yards.

THE HEAD COACHES:

Frank Miriello (East Stroudsburg '67) is in his fifth season as the head coach at W&L and his 32nd year of coaching. He claims a 21-24-1 (.467) overall record, 4-0 against Bridgewater. The Eagles are led by fifth-year head coach **Michael Clark (Cincinnati '79)**. He is 11-35-1 (.245) overall at Bridgewater and in his career, 0-4 against W&L.

W&L vs. THE ODAC:

W&L sports a 44-68-1 (.394) all-time record in the ODAC and is 84-91-5 (.481) all-time against the current members of the Old Dominion Athletic Conference. The following is a breakdown of the Generals vs. members of the ODAC:

Bridgewater (21-8)	Catholic (4-0)
Emory & Henry (6-22)	Guilford (5-8)
Hampden-Sydney (28-28-2)	Randolph-Macon (20-24-3)

ALL-TIME RECORD:

W&L has compiled a 404-451-39 (.474) all-time record. The Generals have been linked to the first intercollegiate football game played in the south, an 1873 matchup with VMI.

W&L "Red Zone" Offense

Times inside 20	Times Scored	Pct.	TD	FG
25	20	.800	16	4

W&L "Red Zone" Defense

Times inside 20	Times Held	Pct.	TD	FG
28	6	.214	18	4

Top Single-Game Stats

Rushing

Att: 26, Marc Watson vs. Guilford
 Yds: 118, Marc Watson vs. Centre
 TD: 2, Chris Sullivan, twice
 LG: 58, Chris Sullivan at Randolph-Macon

Passing

Att: 48, C. Batcheller at Randolph-Macon
 Com: 30, C. Batcheller at Randolph-Macon
 Yds: 322, C. Batcheller at Randolph-Macon
 TD: 3, C. Batcheller at Randolph-Macon
 LG: 86, C. Batcheller vs. Centre

Receiving

Rec: 11, J.T. Malatesta vs. Randolph-Macon
 Yds: 167, J.T. Malatesta vs. Centre
 TD: 2, J.T. Malatesta at Randolph-Macon
 LG: 86, J.T. Malatesta vs. Centre

Returns

KO Ret: 4, Chris Sullivan, twice
 KO Ret. Yds: 98, Chris Sullivan at R.-Macon
 LG: 60, Marc Watson vs. Guilford
 Pt. Ret: 3, Harry Brookby vs. Centre
 Pt. Ret. Yds: 5, Harry Brookby vs. Centre
 LG: 6, Harry Brookby vs. Centre

Defense

Tackles: 15, Jeff Bahl at Sewanee
 Sacks: 4, Michael Moore vs. Centre
 Interceptions: 1, Three players
 PBU's: 3, Harry Brookby vs. Centre
 FR's: 4, Jeff Bahl at Sewanee



SACK ATTACK:

The Generals have recorded a sack in every game thus far for a total of 19 on the season. W&L had a total of 11 sacks all of last season. Senior defensive end **Michael Moore** leads the charge with five sacks, four of which came in the win over Centre.

ON THE BAHL:

Sophomore linebacker **Jeff Bahl** was on the ball Saturday at Sewanee, literally. Bahl recovered four fumbles against the Tigers. He also recorded a career-high 15 tackles, one sack, and a pass deflection. Bahl was named the ODAC Defensive Player of the Week for his efforts.

SPEAKING OF TURNOVERS:

W&L may be allowing 389.6 yards of total offense per game this season, but the defense continues to stop opponents for one very simple reason -- turnovers. The Generals have forced 18 turnovers (five interceptions, 13 fumbles) in their seven games to date, an average of 2.6 per game. Offensively, W&L has committed only 10 turnovers for an average of just 1.4 per game. **Jeff Bahl** recovered more fumbles last week (4) than the Generals have lost all season (3).

EFFICIENT PLAY:

Against Sewanee, the Generals scored a season-high 31 points on a season-low 231 yards of total offense. W&L took advantage of the opportunities the Tigers presented, turning five turnovers into 17 points.

DESPITE THE SEASON-LOW:

Despite the season low 231 yards gained by the Generals' offense last week, the team is still averaging 378.7 yards per game for the season. The W&L record for single-season total offense is 341.5 yards per game, a record set by the 1950 squad that won the Southern Conference and played in the 1951 Gator Bowl.

RECORD-BREAKING SEASON:

Although just 3-4 on the season, W&L is experiencing a record-breaking season. All told, eight W&L records have been broken or tied and many more may fall in the coming weeks. Records that have been broken include career passing yards (5,514 - Christian Batcheller), career touchdown passes (36 - Christian Batcheller), consecutive 200-yard passing games (6 - Christian Batcheller), 200-yard passing games in a season (6 - Christian Batcheller), consecutive 100-yard receiving games (4 - J.T. Malatesta), career 100-yard receiving games (10 - J.T. Malatesta), career total offense (5,771 - Christian Batcheller), and team sacks in a game (7 - vs. Centre).

RECORDS IN JEOPARDY

Season Total Offense

1. Christian Batcheller, 1997	2,037
4. Christian Batcheller, 1999	1,794

Season Receiving Yards

1. Craig Irons, 1989	1,010
6. J.T. Malatesta, 1999	656

Season Completion Percentage

1. Phillip Sampson, 1989	62.5
2. Christian Batcheller, 1999	59.4

Career Passing Attempts

1. Brooks Fischer, 1993-96	860
2. Christian Batcheller, 1996-pr	788

Career Completion Percentage

1. Christian Batcheller, 1996-pr	56.2
2. Phillip Sampson, 1986-89	56.1
3. Al Paradise, 1981-82	55.5

Career Receptions

1. Tony Perry, 1973-76	154
2. Craig Irons, 1988-90	143
3. William Propst, 1991-92, 94	141
4. J.T. Malatesta, 1996-pr	132

Season 100-Yard Receiving Games

1. Craig Irons, 1989	6
2T. J.T. Malatesta, 1999	5

Season Receptions

1. Craig Irons, 1989	75
12. J.T. Malatesta, 1999	41

Season Passing Yards

1. Christian Batcheller, 1997	1,998
5. Christian Batcheller, 1999	1,641

Season Passing Completions

1. Phillip Sampson, 1989	170
8. Christian Batcheller, 1999	130

Career Passing Completions

1. Brooks Fischer, 1993-96	466
2. Christian Batcheller, 1996-pr	443

Career Receiving Yards

1. Tony Perry, 1973-76	2,122
2. J.T. Malatesta, 1996-pr	2,017

Career Receiving Touchdowns

1. Tony Perry, 1973-76	16
2. J.T. Malatesta, 1996-pr	14