

BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE



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SC STATE, PRAIRIE VIEW CLINCH; THREE ALIVE FOR SWAC EAST TITLE; HBCU BOWL?

QUINN PORTER: SIAC and black college rushing leader (133.6 ypg.) of Stillman among invitees to black college all-star game.

2009 BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

CIAA CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

E. DIVISION	DIV		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
*Bowie State	5	2	6	5
Virginia Union	5	2	6	4
Eliz. City State	5	2	7	3
Virginia State	4	3	6	4
St. Paul's	2	4	3	6
Lincoln (PA)	0	0	3	7
W. DIVISION	DIV		ALL	
Fayetteville State	6	1	8	4
Shaw	5	2	8	2
St. Augustine's	4	3	4	6
J. C. Smith	2	5	3	7
Chowan	2	5	2	8
Livingstone	0	7	0	10

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
OFFENSE Benjamin Williams, QB, FSU - Completed 12 of 27 passes for 134 yards and 1 TD with 1 int. in loss to Cal (Pa.) in first round of D2 playoffs.
DEFENSE NA

MEAC MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

CONF	ALL	
	W	L
SC State	7	0
Florida A&M	5	2
Norfolk State	5	3
Bethune-Cookman	4	3
Morgan State	3	4
NC A&T State	3	4
Hampton	3	4
Delaware State	2	5
Howard	0	7
# W-Salem State	0	0

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
OFFENSE Oliver "Tre" Young, Sr., WR, SCSU - 6 receptions for 166 yards and 2 TDs vs. MSU to become SCSU's all-time receptions leader. Had 313 all-purpose yards (4 punt returns for 104 yards).
DEFENSE Terrell Whitehead, Sr., S, NSU - Team high 10 tackles, 8 solos, 1 sack, 2 ints. vs. DSU.
ROOKIE Kory Kowalski, Fr., PK, BCU - 3-of-3 on PATs and 7 punts for 35.7 average vs. Howard.
SPECIAL TEAMS Jahmal Blanchard, Sr., P/PK, HAMPTON - 5 punts for 42.4 yard average.
LINEMAN Markece Preston, Jr., OL, NSU - 4 pancakes, 90% grade vs. FAMU.

SIAC SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

CONF	ALL	
	W	L
*Tuskegee	8	1
Albany State	7	2
Morehouse	6	3
Fort Valley State	6	3
Benedict	6	3
Kentucky State	4	5
Miles	3	6
Clark Atlanta	3	6
Stillman	2	7
Lane	0	9

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
OFFENSE A. J. McKenna, QB, ASU - Passed for 153 yards (15 of 28) and one TD (16 yards) and ran for 113 yards on 13 carries with 1 TD (24 yards) in first round Div. II playoff loss to West Alabama.
DEFENSE Demetric Johnson, RB, ASU - Ran for 134 yards on 22 carries including a 7-yard TD run and caught 2 passes for 17 yards in loss to UWA.
DEFENSE Mario Fuller, DB, ASU - Led the Golden Rams with 11 tackles, 10 solos and 2 for losses of 6 yards in loss to UWA.

SWAC SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

E. DIVISION	DIV		ALL	
	W	L	W	L
Alabama A&M	3	3	6	4
Jackson State	3	3	6	6
Alcorn State	2	4	2	6
Alabama State	1	6	4	6
Miss. Valley St.	1	5	3	7
W. DIVISION	DIV		ALL	
Prairie View A&M	6	0	7	1
Grambling State	4	2	6	4
Texas Southern	3	2	4	5
Ark. Pine Bluff	3	2	5	3
Southern	3	2	6	3

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
OFFENSE Bryant Lee, Sr., QB, SU - Completed 29 of 39 passes for 384 yards and 4 TDs (18, 51, 5, 33) with 1 int., also rushed 8 times for 44 yards in win over Alabama State.
DEFENSE Christian Anthony, Jr., DE, GSU - 5 tackles, 3 solos and 2 for losses, 1 sack, 2 forced fumbles, 1 recovery and 1 interception vs. TSU.
NEWCOMER K. J. Black, Jr., QB, PV A&M - Completed 24 of 30 passes for 213 yards and 3 TDs and rushed for 31 yards in W. Div. title-clinching win over Alcorn State.
SPECIAL TEAMS Andrew Lyons, So., PK/P, ALAB. STATE - Converted 3 field goals (28, 19, 21) and averaged 38 yards on 4 punts.

INDEPENDENTS

	W	L
Langston	8	3
Concordia	5	4
Tennessee State	3	7
W. Va. State	3	7
Savannah State	2	5
N. C. Central	3	7
Central State	1	9
Lincoln (Mo.)	0	10
Edward Waters	1	10
Texas College	0	11
Cheyney	0	11

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
OFFENSE Calvin McNeil, QB, TSU - Completed 17 of 23 passes for 189 yards and 3 TDs in loss to Austin Peay. Also had 42 rushing yards on 13 carries.
DEFENSE Donald Laster, Jr., LB, NCCU - 8 tackles, 2.5 for losses, 1.5 sacks and 1 interception vs. WSSU.
John Jones, TSU - Led the Blue Tigers with 10 tackles, 5 solos, and 2 QB hurries vs. Austin Peay.
SPECIAL TEAMS Landen Thayer, P, WSSU - Averaged 40.1 yards on 8 punts vs. NCCU, five inside the 20.

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

HBCU SENIOR BOWL:

The Russell Athletic HBCU Bowl is scheduled for Dec. 19 at 2 p.m. at the Cramton Bowl in Montgomery, Al. The game will feature top draft-eligible senior talent from the black college ranks playing in an East/West format.

According to the game's website (hbcubowl.com), the East team comprised of MEAC and CIAA players will be coached by Joe Taylor of Florida A&M and the West team comprised of SWAC and SIAC players will be coached by Reggie Barlow of Alabama State. Some player invitations have gone out with the official rosters to be named this week. Synergy Sports of Atlanta has partnered with the city of Montgomery Parks and Recreation Dept. to stage the game. Questions about the game can be directed to 888-496-7331.

SCORES

NOVEMBER 12	Prairie View A&M 34, Alcorn State 14
Grambling State 47, Texas Southern 33	SC State 37, Morgan State 13
NOVEMBER 14	Southern 34, Alabama State 24
Alabama A&M 13, Jackson State 5	S. Nazarene 30, Texas College 18
Austin Peay 24, Tennessee State 2	Stillman 37, Concordia 28
Azusa Pacific 37, Langston 3	Urbana 40, Central State 8
Bethune-Cookman 21, Howard 10	Webber Int'l 35, Savannah State 20
Edward Waters 44, New Orleans 12	NCAA DIV. II PLAYOFFS
Hampton 25, Florida A&M 0	California (PA) 42, Fayetteville State 13
Miss Valley State 16, Lincoln (MO) 6	West Alabama 24, Albany State 22
NC Central 18, Winston-Salem State 10	
Norfolk State 21, Delaware State 16	

HOW THEY DID IT

— West Alabama 24, Albany State 22 —

Juan Bongarra missed a 36-yard field goal with 16 seconds remaining as Albany State lost in the first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs for the fifth consecutive year, falling to visiting West Alabama (8-4). The Golden Rams end the season 8-3.

ASU QB A. J. McKenna threw for 153 yards (15 of 28) and his lone TD to Antwan Harris of 16 yards with 4:24 left brought the Rams within 24-22. His two-point PAT rush attempt failed. After stopping UWA, McKenna drove the Rams to the UWA 29 before Bongarra missed the kick wide left. McKenna also rushed for 113 yards and a TD.

Bongarra had two other field goal attempts blocked. ASU RB Demetric Johnson ran for 131 yards and a TD.

— California (Pa.) 42, Fayetteville State 13 —

California (Pa.) held FSU to 55 first-half yards and jumped out to a 21-0 lead at the break and then added 21 unanswered third-quarter points to subdue the CIAA champion Broncos (8-4) in a first round Div. II playoff game.

FSU scored both its touchdowns in the fourth quarter on a 12-yard pass from Benjamin Williams to B. J. Washington. Williams added a 15-yard TD run with 4:04 to play. Richard Medlin led the FSU ground attack with 85 yards on 18 carries. Williams finished 12 of 27 with 2 picks for 136 yards.

— South Carolina State 37, Fayetteville State 13 —

South Carolina State (9-1, 7-0) used outstanding contributions from its offensive stars to clinch its second straight MEAC title and FCS playoff berth with a dominating win over Morgan State (3-4, 5-5).

SCSU junior QB Malcolm Long continued his sterling play completing 21 of 32 passes for 319 yards and 4 TDs with no interceptions. Long broke his single-season passing yards mark set last year and became the first Bulldog in the program's 102-year history to pass for over 2,000 yards in a single season. He now has 2,082 passing yards with 18 TDs and just 4 interceptions. Senior wide receiver Oliver "Tre" Young hauled in six passes for 166 yards and TD grabs of 45 and 12 yards and became the Bulldogs' all-time receptions leader.

SCSU senior RB Will Ford, already the program's career rushing leader, hauled in a 19-yard pass to open the scoring and rambled for 107 yards on 20 carries. Ford needs 105 yards in his final games to become the MEAC's all-time leading rusher.

— Prairie View A&M 34, Alcorn State 14 —

Prairie View A&M (7-1, 6-0) won its first SWAC West Division title and a spot in the Dec. 12 league title game in Birmingham with a decisive win over Alcorn State (2-6, 2-4).

Junior QB K. J. Black and RB Donald Babers again paced the Panthers. Black completed 24 of 30 passes for 213 yards and 3 TDs, two to tight end Marion Allen, while Babers rushed for 134 yards on 26 carries and scored on a 5-yard fourth quarter run.

Black is the SWAC's passing efficiency leader completing 69.1% (121 of 175) of his passes for 14 TDs and just 3 interceptions. Babers is second in SWAC rushing stats, averaging 88.5 yards per game.

— Hampton 25, Florida A&M 0 —

Florida A&M lost prolific starting QB Curtis Pulley before the end of the first quarter and also lost the back-up QB and the two starting wideouts before the game was over in a shutout loss to Hampton (3-4, 5-5) that almost surely knocks the Rattlers (5-2, 7-3) out of the FCS playoff picture.

Pulley aggravated a groin injury suffered in last week's win over N. C. A&T in the first quarter and did not return. His back-up, Eddie Battle, lasted until the final quarter before he went down with what is believed to be a separated shoulder. Wideouts Isaac West and Kevin Elliot both suffered ankle injuries.

Hampton, meanwhile, got perhaps first-year coach Donovan Rose's most significant victory, beating former Hampton head coach Joe Taylor in Taylor's first return to the program he led for 16 years before leaving last year. Hampton RB Steve Robinson led the Pirates, who racked up 341 rushing yards, with 150 yards on 17 carries. Robinson scored on 2- and 1-yard runs. David Legree rushed 14 times for 87 yards and scored on a 15-yard jaunt.

LUT WILLIAMS

BCSP Editor

With South Carolina State's 37-13 win over Morgan State Saturday that clinched the Mid Eastern Athletic Conference championship and an automatic berth in the FCS playoffs and Prairie View A&M's 34-14 win over Alcorn State that earned the Panthers their first-ever Southwestern Athletic West Division title and first-ever spot in the Dec. 12 league championship game, all the regular season champions are in, right?

Wrong!
 There's just one more bit of business to be taken care of.

This Saturday Alabama A&M, Jackson State and Alcorn State all enter the final games of their regular seasons with a shot at the SWAC East Division title and a berth opposite Prairie View in the aforementioned title game.

Here's how it breaks down.
 Alabama A&M (6-4, 3-3) has the simplest route. The Bulldogs win the East with a win Saturday (1 p.m.) over Mississippi Valley State (3-7, 1-5).

JSU (3-6, 3-3) and Alcorn State (2-6, 2-4) first need A&M to lose. If so, whoever wins their traditional season-ending Capital City Classic battle Saturday (1 p.m.) in Jackson, Ms., wins the East title.

Jackson State has represented the East in the past two SWAC Championship games in both seasons of head coach Rick Comegys' tenure, losing to Grambling last season and beating the G-Men in 2007. Alabama A&M went to three championship games, two under current head coach Anthony Jones before winning the 2006 title over Arkansas-Pine Bluff.

Alcorn State has never reached the championship game since the contest was re-instituted in 1999. The Braves are in their first year under head coach Earnest Collins.

Elsewhere in the SWAC, Henry Frazier's

GAMES THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19		
ESPN - Live		
Eastern Illinois vs. Tennessee State in Charleston, IL		5:30
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21		
Alabama A&M vs. Miss Valley State in Huntsville, AL		1
Delaware State vs. Howard in Dover, Del.		1
Hampton vs. Morgan State in Hampton, VA		1
Norfolk State vs. Winston-Salem State in Norfolk, VA		1
Prairie View A&M vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff in Prairie View, TX		1
NC Central vs. Savannah State in Durham, NC		1:30
SC State vs. NC A&T in Orangeburg, SC		1:30
CLASSICS		
Capital City Classic		
Jackson State vs. Alcorn State in Jackson, MS		1
Florida Classic XXX - ESPN Classic - Live		
Florida A&M vs. Bethune-Cookman in Orlando, FL		2:30
NAIA PLAYOFFS (First Round)		
Langston vs. Lindenwood in St. Charles, MO		1:30

BCSP Notes

MEAC 2009-10 Basketball TV schedule

The Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) has announced the 2009-10 basketball television schedule today with a collection of men's and women's competitive matchups on the ESPN family of networks.

As part of its seven-year partnership with ESPN, the MEAC will highlight nine men's and three women's regular season games as well as both men's and women's tournament championship games.

The 2010 MEAC Championship Tournament will also air on the ESPN networks with the women's championship game scheduled for a taped-delayed broadcast airing on March 14 at 11 a.m. on ESPNU while the men's championship game will broadcast live on ESPN2 beginning at 2 p.m.

The 2009-10 television schedule tips off with a double-header on Monday, January 11. Last year's tournament runner-up Hampton Lady Pirates will host the Morgan State Lady Bears at 4:30 p.m. The action continues in Hampton, Virginia with the Hampton Pirates hosting the defending champion Morgan State Bears at 7:30 p.m.

In women's action, the defending MEAC women's champion North Carolina A&T Lady Aggies will close out the women's regular season lineup in a matchup against the Maryland Eastern Shore Lady Hawks on Monday, February 8 at 4:30 p.m.

Morgan State, who was picked to finish atop the MEAC standings again this season, highlights the men's television schedule with three appearances.

2009-10 MEAC MEN'S TELEVISION SCHEDULE

Jan. 11 - Morgan State @ Hampton (ESPNU) 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 18 - Howard @ Norfolk State (ESPNU) 9 p.m.
Jan. 25 - Delaware State @ Coppin State (ESPNU) 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 1 - S. C. State @ Florida A&M (ESPNU) 9 p.m.
Feb. 5 - B-Cookman @ Coppin State (ESPNU) 7 p.m.



STILL ALIVE: Veteran coaches, Anthony Jones of Alabama A&M (l.) and Rick Comegys of Jackson State (c.), and rookie head coach Earnest Collins (r.) of Alcorn State, all have teams alive for the SWAC East Division title headed into final regular season games Saturday.

Panthers of Prairie View A&M (7-1, 6-0) will look to complete their historic run with an unblemished conference record as they end the regular season Saturday hosting Arkansas-Pine Bluff (5-3, 3-2).

Prairie View is up to 20th in this week's Sports Network Top 25 poll.

The real battle in the SWAC West however is for second place where the other four division teams – Arkansas-Pine Bluff (5-3, 3-2), Grambling State (6-4, 4-2), Southern (6-3, 3-2) and Texas Southern (4-5, 3-2) – are still alive.

A win over division champ Prairie View Saturday would give UAPB, in its second year under former Washington Redskins' linebacker Monte Coleman, a nice feather in its cap. UAPB closes out the regular season with a Nov. 28 date vs. Texas Southern. UAPB beat Grambling and lost to Southern. The other loss on its division ledger was to Alabama A&M.

Texas Southern is off this week but closes with dates vs. UAPB in Dallas (Nov. 28) and at home vs. Southern (Dec. 5). TSU has lost to Grambling and Prairie View.

Grambling is also off this week and closes with next Saturday's (Nov. 28) annual New Orleans date with Southern at the Bayou Classic. The G-Men have division losses to Prairie View and UAPB.

Southern, likewise, is off this week before dates vs. Grambling and TSU. Southern has a loss to Prairie View and a loss to Jackson State that counts on its division ledger.

MEAC

South Carolina State (9-1, 7-0) finishes the regular season at home Saturday (1:30 p.m.) vs. North Carolina A&T (4-5, 3-4). The Bulldogs will then find out on Sunday who they will face in the first round of the FCS playoffs.

SCSU head coach Oliver "Buddy" Pough said after Saturday's win over Morgan State that it would be great for Bulldog fans if his team could host a first-round playoff game. That scenario appears likely after SCSU moved up to seventh and received two first-place votes in this week's Sports Network FCS poll. But they also probably

Feb. 8 - MD-Eastern Shore @ N. C. A&T (ESPNU) 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 15 - S. C. State @ Morgan State (ESPNU) 7 p.m.
Feb. 22 - S. C. State @ Norfolk State (ESPNU) 7 p.m.
Mar. 1 - N. C. A&T @ Morgan State (ESPNU) 9 p.m.
Mar. 13 - MEAC Men's Championship (ESPN2) 2 p.m.
2009-10 MEAC WOMEN'S TELEVISION SCHEDULE
Jan. 11 - Morgan State @ Hampton (ESPNU) 4:30 p.m.
Jan. 25 - Delaware State @ Coppin State (ESPNU) 4:30 p.m.
Feb. 8 - UMES @ North Carolina A&T (ESPNU) 4:30 p.m.
Mar. 13 - MEAC Women's Championship (ESPNU) 3/14, 11 a.m.

Albany State wins 9th straight SIAC volleyball title; ASU, Chowan move on

The Lady Rams of Albany State captured their ninth consecutive SIAC volleyball title defeating Kentucky State, 3-0, in the championship match. ASU swept through the tournament field without dropping a single set.

Leading the way for Albany State was Tournament MVP Latrice Lewis who finished with 14 kills. Sabrina Garcia chipped in with 12 kills on the night while All-Tournament member Priscilla Sena finished with 27 assists. All Tournament selections Mercedes Parker and Brittany Stewart finished with 11 kills and 22 digs respectively. Nikki Douglas added nine digs in the losing effort.

ASU Head Coach Robert Skinner was named the Outstanding Coach of the Tournament for the ninth consecutive time.

The Lady Rams (20-7) will play at South Region No. 1 seed and host Tampa (28-2) from Nov. 19-21.

CIAA champion Chowan (27-8) will play at Atlantic Region No. 1 seed California (Pa.) (32-4) also Thursday thru Saturday.

