

BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE



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CO-CHAMPS: Buddy Pough's (top) MEAC champ SC State and Henry Frazier III's (bottom) SWAC champ Prairie View tie for final BCSP top spot.

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UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

MAYNOR NEW WSSU COACH:

Connell Maynor, a veteran with more than 20 years of football experience both as a player and coach, was named Tuesday as the ninth head football coach at **Winston-Salem State**.

Maynor, 40, a former stand-out quarterback at both WSSU and **North Carolina A&T**, has spent the last ten years on the staff at **Fayetteville State**, most recently as offensive coordinator of the 2009 **CIAA** champion **Broncos**. Maynor also served as the Offensive Coordinator for the Arena Football League's **Philadelphia Soul** from 2006-2008 and helped lead the Soul to the 2008 **Arena Bowl World Championship**.

He was the starting quarterback for WSSU's 1987 **CIAA** championship team under then head coach and incoming WSSU Athletic Director **Bill Hayes**. He then followed Hayes to A&T and helped lead the Aggies to the 1991 **MEAC** title. He was first team all-MEAC in 1990 and 1991 and league offensive player of the year in '91.

A 1995 graduate of NC A&T, he replaces **Kermit Blount** who served 17 years as WSSU's head coach.

Black leads Prairie View to first SWAC title in 45 years

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West Division champion **Prairie View A&M** survived a tough back-and-forth battle with East Division champ **Alabama A&M** to claim its first **Southwestern Athletic Conference** football title in 45 years in a dramatic 30-24 victory before 20,218 at Birmingham's cold and rainy Legion Field Saturday in a game that wrapped up the 2009 black college football season.

The win completed a remarkable turnaround for the Panthers (9-1) under sixth-year head coach **Henry Frazier III** who has breathed life into a program that had languished at the bottom of the conference for over four decades.

"It's been a long time coming," said a jubilant Frazier in the post-game interview of the new day in Prairie View football. "1964 is the last time Prairie View was champion. Forty-five (45) years later, God saw fit to bring together a group of coaches and players to make history. In 1964, nobody on the (coaching) staff and nobody on this team was born. It's a special time and a special occasion."

In Saturday's game, Frazier's quarterback, Western Kentucky transfer **K. J. Black**, who had won SWAC offensive player of the year honors earlier in the week, put on another brilliant performance leading the Panthers to victory by throwing for 258 yards (18 of 28) and three touchdowns without an interception.

Black's third TD pass, a 22-yarder to wideout **Anthony Weeden** following a critical AA&M turnover, was his second scoring toss in the fourth quarter and gave his team a 30-21 lead with 7:01 left to play. It was the first time in the game either team led by more than one score. Prior to that, the teams traded the lead seven times.

Alabama A&M (7-5) drove for a late field goal to cut the lead to 30-24 with 4:02 to play, but, having exhausted all of its timeouts in the third quarter, could not stop the clock after it kicked off.

Prairie View got one first down on the ensuing drive and then punted with just 15 seconds on the game clock. AA&M wideout **Thomas**



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BLACK JACK: Prairie View A&M QB K.J. Black threw for 258 yards and 3 TDs, two in the final quarter, to lead the Panthers over Alabama A&M, 30-24.

Harris almost broke the punt return, being taken down on a game-saving tackle by Prairie View's **Michael Jason** at the PV 47.

A desperation pass from freshman quarterback **Deuntae Mason**

was knocked down at the final buzzer.

Mason, a talented freshman transfer from Kentucky, rushed for 110 yards on 18 carries including a 1-yard TD run in the fourth quarter that gave the Bulldogs a 21-17 lead with 13:30 to play. He also hit on 12 of 27 passes for 154 yards including a 9-yard scoring strike to tight end **Quintin Carlock** in the second quarter that gave the Bulldogs a 14-10 halftime lead.

Senior running back **Ulysses Banks**, the SWAC's top rusher, ran for 109 yards on 20 carries and scored on a 2-yard run to open the scoring for the Bulldogs in the first quarter.

Prairie View running back **Donald Babers**, who ran for 78 yards on 17 carries, put the Panthers back on top 17-14 late in the third quarter on a 1-yard scoring run.

AA&M amassed 403 total yards but was hit with 13 penalties for

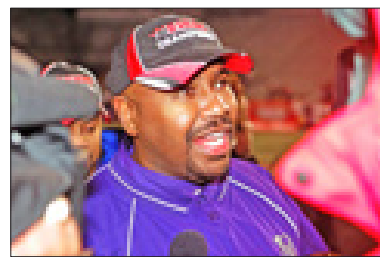


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THE ARCHITECT: Victorious Prairie View head coach Henry Frazier.

112 yards, several wiping out big plays including a second quarter TD pass. The Bulldogs also had a fourth quarter TD pass reversed on replay, a technique the conference tried in the title game.

"They were significant moments in this football game," AA&M head coach **Anthony Jones** said of the flags and replay decisions. "Obviously, we could not overcome them."

IN FINAL BCSP RANKING

SC State, Prairie View tie for top spot

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Mid Eastern Athletic Conference champion **South Carolina State** and **Southwestern Athletic Conference** champ **Prairie View A&M** are so close they can't be separated in the final 2009 **BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE** Football Top Ten.

Both teams went undefeated in conference play with SCSU posting eight straight wins against MEAC competition and PVA&M producing nine versus fellow SWAC opponents. Neither team lost to a black college opponent.

In their only game against a common opponent - 2008 SWAC champion **Grambling State** - both SCSU (34-31) and PV A&M (35-32) got three-point victories.

So just as a year ago, when South Carolina State (MEAC) and Grambling State (SWAC) tied for the top spot in the final BCSP Top Ten after outstanding runs to their respective titles, the same holds this year for the Bulldogs (10-2) and the Panthers (9-1).

Though Prairie View's rise under sixth-year head coach **Henry Frazier III** from the dust bin of college programs to the top of the SWAC gridiron food chain is the stuff of legend, **Buddy Pough's** 19-game MEAC win streak and back-to-back titles is no less compelling. They share our top spot in the final ranking.

Florida A&M (8-3) in the

MEAC and **Grambling State** (7-4) in the SWAC battled the respective conference champions but came up a little short. FAMU also dropped a late-season decision to **Hampton** while GSU stubbed its toe late against **Arkansas-Pine Bluff**.

Alabama A&M survived a tough race to claim the SWAC East Division title and got a second shot at Prairie View in the SWAC Championship game (see story above). It lost to PV both times by six points.

Tuskegee (10-2), who made it four **Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference** titles in a row under head coach **Willie Slater**, leads the second half of our ranking. In addition to an opening-game upset to **Miles**, the Golden Tigers lost 35-15 to Alabama A&M at the *Circle City Classic*.

Pete Adrian's Spartans of **Norfolk State** (7-4) were clipped early by **North Carolina A&T** but rebounded for a strong third-place MEAC finish.

In head coach **Johnny Cole's** second season, **Texas Southern** (6-5) made the biggest leap, with wins over **Southern** and **Arkansas-Pine Bluff** into a tie with Grambling for second place in the SWAC West. SIAC runner-up **Albany State** (8-3) made its fifth straight NCAA Div. II playoff appearance under **James "Mike" White** and holds down the ninth spot while **CIAA** champ and fellow D2 playoff participant **Fayetteville State** (8-4), under **Kenny Phillips** is tenth.

STAT CORNER

WHO ARE THE BEST PERFORMERS IN BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

2009 FINAL INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING YARDS	CL	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TDS	AVG/G
PORTER, Quinn-STILL	SR	9	194	1247	6.4	9	138.6
THOMPSON, Winston-CAU	SO	9	235	1077	4.6	6	119.7
BANKS, Ulysses-AAMU	SR	11	214	1123	5.2	8	102.1
FRIESON, Shannon-KSU	SO	10	198	1011	5.1	7	101.1
RILEY, Pat-BENEDICT	JR	11	162	1088	6.7	12	98.9
ROSS, Carlos-LANGST	SO	10	197	1079	5.5	9	98.1
BOYKINS, Anthony-KAMU	JR	11	202	1031	5.1	5	93.7
COKER, LaMarcus-HAM	SR	11	197	1027	5.2	6	93.4

PASSING YARDS	CL	G	COM	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TDS	AVG/G
WESTLER, C.-CHOW	SR	10	234	432	16	54.2	2856	25	285.6
LEE, Bryant-SU	SR	11	207	345	10	60.6	2565	24	233.2
BLACK, K.J.-PVAM	JR	9	162	230	4	70.4	2033	22	225.9
NELSON, Arvell-TEXS	JR	11	212	368	13	57.6	2392	12	217.5
BUCKLEY, Tim-ALCN	SR	9	146	284	14	51.4	1949	16	216.6
LONG, Malcolm-SCSU	JR	12	208	323	10	64.4	2503	20	208.6
BROWN, Dennis-NSU	SR	11	161	284	13	56.7	2228	18	202.5

RECEPTIONS	CL	G	REC	YDS	TD	YPC	YDS/G	REC/G
HOLLAND, R.-CHOW	FR	10	86	1078	7	12.5	107.8	8.8
STEWART, Juamorr-SU	SR	11	80	1022	11	12.8	92.9	7.3
HAITH, Brian-TXSO	SR	9	49	695	2	14.2	77.2	5.4
YOUNG, Tre-SCSU	JR	12	65	995	9	15.3	82.9	5.4
FRANKLIN, J.-JCSU	JR	9	48	610	5	12.7	67.8	5.3
KING, Jermaine-WVU	SO	10	53	692	7	13.1	69.2	5.3
HODDRICK, K.-CHOW	SO	10	49	612	10	12.5	61.2	4.9

RECEIVING YARDS	CL	G	REC	YDS	TD	YPC	YDS/G
HOLLAND, R.-CU	FR	10	86	1078	7	12.5	107.8
STEWART, Juamorr-SU	SR	11	80	1022	11	12.8	92.9
BELL, Chris-NSU	JR	11	51	958	13	18.8	87.1
YOUNG, Tre-SCSU	JR	12	65	995	9	15.3	82.9
ANDREWS, Nich.-ALST	SO	11	47	803	5	17.1	77.2
HAITH, Brian-TXSO	SR	9	49	695	2	14.2	77.2

TOTAL OFFENSE	CL	G	RUSH	PASS	PLAYS	YDS	AVG/G
WESTLER, C.-CHOW	SR	10	240	2856	576	3096	309.6
PULLEY, Curtis-FAMU	SR	10	881	1824	348	2705	270.5
LEE, Bryant-SU	SR	11	298	2565	430	2863	260.3
NELSON, Arvell-TXSO	JR	11	325	2392	507	2717	247.0
BLACK, K.J.-PVAM	JR	9	170	2033	286	2248	244.8
BUCKLEY, Tim-ALCN	SR	9	240	1949	399	2189	243.2
BROWN, Dennis-NSU	SR	11	380	2228	400	2608	237.1
LONG, Malcolm-SCSU	JR	12	118	2503	380	2621	218.4

ALL PURPOSE	CL	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KR	YDS	YDS/G
PORTER, Quinn-STIL	SR	9	1247	7	9	398	1726	191.8
BANKS, Ulys.-AAMU	SR	11	1123	213	0	506	1842	167.5
ROSS, Carlos-LNGST	9	984	388	0	28	1400	155.6	
FRANKLIN, J.-JCS	JR	9	610	143	628	1382	153.6	
JOHNSON, D.-ALBST	SR	11	859	446	0	332	1637	148.8
YOUNG, Tre-SCSU	SR	12	0	995	218	548	1717	146.8
COKER, LaMarcus-HAM	SR	11	1027	202	0	308	1537	139.7

SCORING	CL	G	TDS	FGS	PAT	PTS	AVG/G
JOHNSON, Dem.-ALBN	SR	11	20	0	0	120	10.9
JOHNSON, Ari-GSU	FR	11	0	18	36	90	8.2
WILLIAMS, R.-SHAW	FR	10	13	0	0	78	7.8
PORTER, Quinn-STIL	SR	9	11	0	1	68	7.6
TURNER, Austin-FSU	SO	12	0	17	38	89	7.4
ERICKSON, Blake-SCS	SO	12	0	14	45	87	7.2

PUNT RETURNS	CL	G	RET	YDS	TD	LNG	AVG
SMITH, Reggie-ECSU	SR	10	15	303	3	68	20.2
VANN, Leroy-FAMU	JR	11	29	569	5	95	19.6
THOMPSON, Kiare-GSU	JR	11	21	407	0	45	19.4
HARRIS, Anthon-FVSV	JR	11	24	318	0	54	13.2

KICKOFF RETURNS	CL	G	RET	YDS	TD	LNG	AVG
HOWARD, Mareo-UAPB	SO	9	13	403	1	95	31.0
PROCTOR, James-BSU	SO	11	20	603	2	98	30.1
BROOKS, Jeffrey - FSU	JR	9	17	511	0	65	30.1
NGAUJA, A - VSV	SO	8	9	241	0	81	26.8
SMITH, Reggie-ECSU	SR	10	20	535	1	74	26.8

BCSP Notes

Rosters for the Sat., Dec. 19 **Russell Athletic HBCU Bowl** of draft eligible seniors to be played at the Cramton Bowl in Montgomery, Al. at 2 p.m.

EAST ROSTER				WEST ROSTER			
1	QB	Curtis Pulley, FAMU	1	DB	Rod Williams, ALCORN		
2	DB	Antwan Cox, B-CU	2	DB	Anthony Beck, PV A&M		
3	DB	Phillip Adams, SCSU	3	WR	Antonio DeJarnett, ALCORN		
4	DB	Justin Hannah, TU	4	DB	Jason Bruce, ALAB. ST.		
5	DB	Quintez Smith, SHAW	5	RB	Rahmond Traylor, ALAB. ST.		
6	DB	Terrell Whitehead, NSU	6	RB	Tim Buckley, ALCORN		
7	DB	Leroy Vann, FAMU	7	DB	Nigel Copeland, GSU		
8	WR	DeAndre Okonji, SHAW	8	QB	AJ McKenna, ALB. ST.		
10	QB	Dennis Brown, NSU	10	QB	Bryant Lee, SU		
12	QB	Carlton Fears, NC A&T	12	WR	Ulysses Banks, AA&M		
21	RB	Marquez Hall, TN. ST.	21	RB	Richard Johnson, ALAB. ST.		
22	RB	Will Ford, SCSU	22	DB	Derrick Shelton, LANE		
23	RB	Lamarcus Coker, HAMPTON	23	DB	Kevin Thornton, UAPB		
32	LB	Marcus Esquivel, FSU	32	DB	Demetris Johnson, ALB. ST.		
33	DB	Justin Hamilton, ECSU	33	RB	Quinn Porter, STILLMAN		
34	RB	Devan James, MSU	34	RB	Michael Thompson, BC		
37	K	Justin Castell, NSU	40	DB	Jeremy Obie, TU		
40	LB	Daniel Mendez, SCSU	41	LB	Marcus Jamison, JSU		
47	LB	Kalvin Baker, TN. ST.	42	LB	Brandon Anderson, TU		
48	LB	Brandon Roundtree, HAMPTON	48	LB	Zimier McCloud, CAU		
49	LB	Bryan Parker, FAMU	49	LB	Adrian Harday, ALAB. ST.		
55	LB	George Howard, MSU	56	LB	Allan Baugh, SU		
56	OL	Robert Norris, MSU	58	DL	Jeremy Maddox, AA&M		
58	OL	Ryan Griffin, B-CU	65	OL	Robert Ogletree, MVSU		
65	OL	Anthony Collins, FAMU	68	OL	Reno Gay, UAPB		
68	OL	Mike Malone, DSU	71	OL	Rey Smith, GSU		
71	OL	Steve Brazzle, FAMU	74	OL	Ramon Chinyong, SU		
74	OL	Dylan Stivers, ECSU	75	OL	Chris Hymel, STILLMAN		
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