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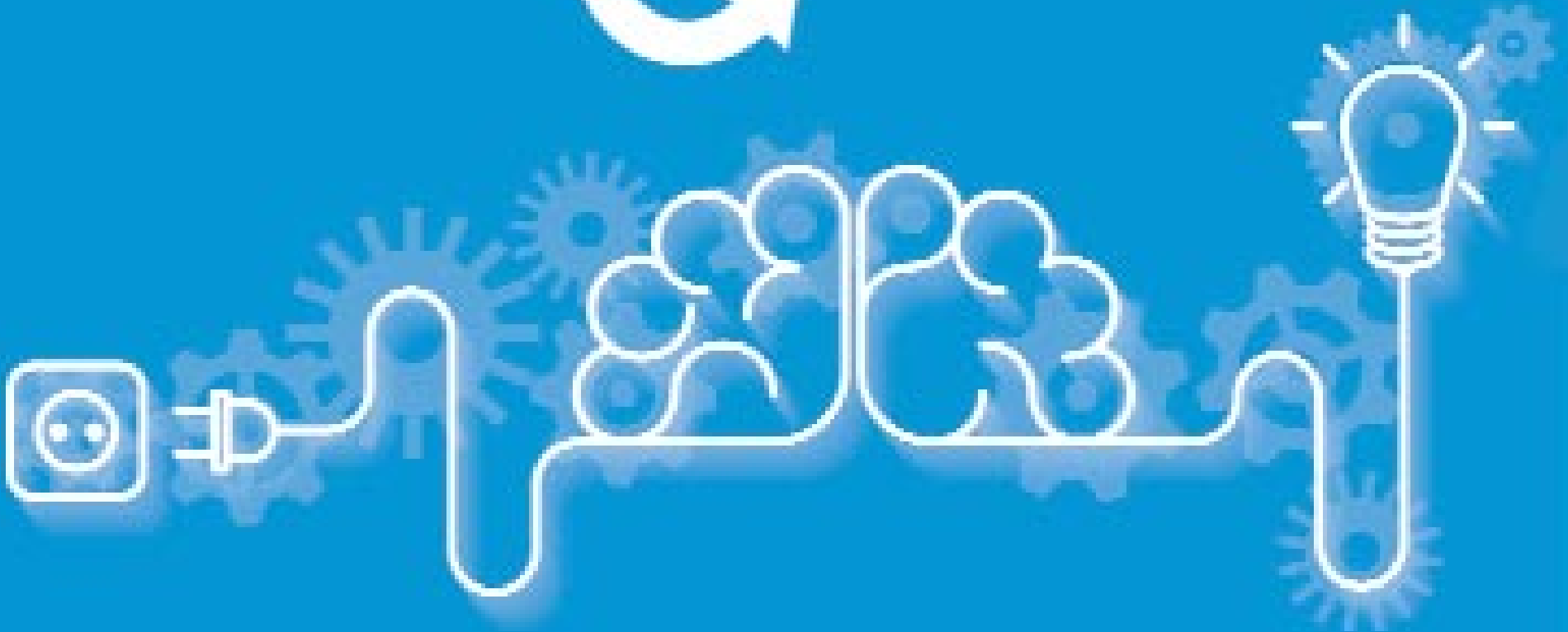


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AROUND THE AREA

LOCAL NEWS OF INTEREST

Rangers to host 2024 All Star Game



Globe Life Field, Texas Rangers to Host 2024 MLB All Star Game
Posted on November 17, 2022

Major League Baseball announced on Thursday that it has awarded the 2024 All-Star Game presented by Mastercard and accompanying All-Star Week events to the Texas Rangers. The announcement was made following the conclusion of the owners' meetings in New York.

The 2024 All-Star Game is scheduled to be played on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 and will mark baseball's 94th Midsummer Classic. This is the second time that the Rangers will host the All-Star Game and it will be the first at Globe Life Field, the Club's home since 2020. The Ballpark in Arlington held the 1995 Midsummer Classic, in which the National League earned a close 3-2 victory led by Jeff Conine's go-ahead pinch-hit home run in the eighth inning.

"Major League Baseball is pleased to award the 2024 All-Star Game to the Rangers and the Cities of Arlington and Fort Worth, which presented a robust bid for All-Star Week," Commissioner Manfred said. The Rangers stepped up under difficult circumstances and Globe Life Field served as terrific host for the 2020 Postseason, including the World

Series. We are excited to once again feature Baseball's newest ballpark on a global stage next summer."

Mayors of Fort Worth and Arlington credited their plan to work together to attract high-profile events to Tarrant County.

Mavs foundation continues \$1 million commitment for 2022-23 grant recipients

Following last year's monumental commitment, the Dallas Mavericks announced today that the Mavs Foundation will again allocate over \$1 million to empower local children, women and families in need during the 2022-23 season. The funding will include grants, special projects, and emergency aid – from building basketball courts and reading and learning centers, to job training and teen mentorship, domestic violence support, and continued assistance for disaster and relief efforts.

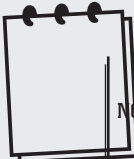
"We are excited to be able to continue our investment of \$1 million back into the community," said President of the Mavs Foundation Katie Edwards. "Each year brings new and growing needs from across North Texas. We strive to spread our commitment across a diverse range of programs in order to respond to our changing world and support families who need it most during this time."

About the Mavs Foundation: Over the past 26 years, the Mavs Foundation has provided grant funding totaling more than \$9 million dollars to nonprofit organizations serving women, children and families in need. In addition to grants, the Mavs Foundation has built 54 safe Learn & Play spaces throughout the North Texas community,






including 31 basketball courts and 23 Reading & Learning Centers. These spaces are designed to encourage healthy living and provide a safe place for children and residents, as well as expand learning opportunities and access to technology to support youth education programs, teen and adults job-skill training and other critical programs.

College Football Playoff Rankings Week 3	
1.	Georgia
2.	Ohio State
3.	Michigan
4.	TCU
5.	Tennessee
6.	LSU
7.	USC
8.	Alabama
9.	Clemson
10.	Utah
11.	Penn State
12.	Oregon
13.	North Carolina
14.	Ole Miss
15.	Kansas State
16.	UCLA
17.	Washington
18.	Notre Dame
19.	Florida State
20.	UCF
21.	Tulane
22.	Oklahoma State
23.	Oregon State
24.	NC State
25.	Cincinnati

NCAA Football		
AP	Week 12	Coaches
1. Georgia	1. Georgia	
2. Ohio State	2. Ohio State	
3. Michigan	3. Michigan	
4. TCU	4. TCU	
5. Tennessee	5. Tennessee	
6. LSU	6. USC	
7. USC	7. LSU	
8. Alabama	8. Alabama	
9. Clemson	9. Clemson	
10. Utah	10. Utah	
11. Penn State	11. North Carolina	
12. Oregon	12. Penn State	
13. North Carolina	13. Oregon	
14. Ole Miss	14. Ole Miss	
15. Washington	15. Washington	
16. UCLA	16. UCLA	
17. UCF	17. Kansas State	
18. Notre Dame	18. UCF	
19. Kansas State	19. Notre Dame	
20. Florida State	20. Florida State	
21. Tulane	21. Cincinnati	
22. Cincinnati	22. Tulane	
23. Coastal Carolina	23. Coastal Carolina	
24. Oklahoma State	24. Oklahoma State	
25. Oregon State	25. NC State	



WEEKLY CALENDAR

	NOVEMBER 18 FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 19 SATURDAY	NOVEMBER 20 SUNDAY	NOVEMBER 21 MONDAY	NOVEMBER 22 TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 23 WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 24 THURSDAY
			Dallas at Minnesota 3:25 / CBS				
		Stars vs N.Y Islanders 7:00 / BSSW		Stars vs Colorado 7:30 / BSSW		Stars vs Chicago 7:30 / BSSW	
	Mavs vs Nuggets 7:30 / BSSW		Mavs vs Nuggets 6:30 / BSSW			Mavs at Celtics 6:30 / BSSW	
	Allen at Cyclones 7:05	Allen at Komets 7:05				Allen at Steelheads 7:30	
		SMU vs Evansville 2:00/ ESPN			SMU vs Louisiana 7:30/ ESPN		

2022 Award semifinalists named



2022 Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award Semifinalists Named

Three finalists from this group will be selected on Tuesday, Nov. 29

After tabulating the results of the Davey O'Brien National Selection Committee's ballots as well as social media fan votes courtesy of the Davey O'Brien Fan Vote, the National Quarterback Award semifinalists have been selected.

In alphabetical order, the semifinalists are: Stetson Bennett of Georgia, LSU's Jayden Daniels, Max Duggan of TCU, UTSA's Frank Harris, Sam Hartman of Wake Forest, Tennessee's Hendon Hooker, Drake Maye of North Carolina, Coastal Carolina's Grayson McCall, J.J. McCarthy of Michigan, SMU's Tanner Mordecai, Bo Nix of Oregon, Washington's Michael Penix Jr., Austin Reed of WKU, Utah's Cameron Rising, Will Rogers of Mississippi State, Ohio's Kurtis Rourke, C.J. Stroud of Ohio State, UCLA's Dorian Thompson-Robinson, Jordan Travis of Florida State, USC's Caleb Williams and Bryce Young of Alabama.

Ten players—Bennett, Harris, Hartman, Hooker, McCall, Mordecai, Rogers, Stroud, Williams and Young—are repeat semifinalists. Young won the 2021 Davey O'Brien Award, while Stroud was one of three finalists last year.

The list is comprised of eight seniors, nine juniors, three sophomores and one freshman, and consists of players from nine FBS conferences. The Pac-12 Conference and Southeastern Conference are tied for the most honorees with five apiece.

The next step in the process will be to select the award's three finalists based on voting from the Davey O'Brien National Selection Committee as well as the second

round of the Davey O'Brien Fan Vote, which will take place on the award's three social media accounts—Instagram, Twitter and Facebook. The top five vote getters on each platform will receive bonus committee member ballots which will be added to the votes cast by the National Selection Committee.

To participate in the Fan Vote, fans must like the original Davey O'Brien Award post highlighting the respective quarterback. The three finalists will be tabbed on Tuesday, Nov. 29. The winner will be announced live on Thursday, Dec. 8 on The Home Depot College Football Awards on ESPN.

The Davey O'Brien Foundation was created in 1977, and the National Quarterback Award, the oldest and most prestigious college quarterback award, was first issued in 1981. Over its time, the Davey O'Brien Foundation has given away more than \$1.2 million in scholarships and university grants to help high school and college athletes transform leadership on the field into leadership in life.

In 1938, O'Brien, who was a star quarterback for TCU, became the first player ever to win the Heisman Trophy, Maxwell Award and Walter Camp Award in the same year. He was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 1955.

Remaining Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award Timeline

- Semifinalists Announced (Tuesday, Nov. 15)
- Round 2 Fan Vote Open (Tuesday, Nov. 15-Friday, Nov. 25)
- 3 Finalists Announced (Tuesday, Nov. 29)
- Round 3 Fan Vote Open (Tuesday, Nov. 29-Friday, Dec. 2)
- Winner Announced on The Home Depot College Football Awards (Thurs, Dec. 8)

2022 Davey O'Brien Award Semifinalists

Stetson Bennett
Georgia, Sr., 5-11, 190, Blackshear, Ga.

Jayden Daniels
LSU, Jr., 6-3, 200, San Bernardino, Calif.

Max Duggan
TCU, Sr., 6-2, 210, Council Bluffs, Iowa

Frank Harris
UTSA, Sr., 6-0, 205, Schertz, Texas

Sam Hartman
Wake Forest, Jr., 6-1, 210, Charlotte, N.C.

Hendon Hooker
Tennessee, Sr., 6-4, 218, Greensboro, N.C.

Drake Maye
North Carolina, R-Fr., 6-4, 220, Huntersville, N.C.

Grayson McCall
Coastal Carolina, Jr., 6-3, 215, Indian Trail, North Carolina

J.J. McCarthy
Michigan, So., 6-3, 196, La Grange Park, Illinois.

Tanner Mordecai
SMU, Sr., 6-3, 214, Waco, Texas

Bo Nix
Oregon, Sr., 6-2, 213, Pinson, Ala.

Michael Penix Jr.

Washington, Jr., 6-3, 213, Tampa, Florida.

Austin Reed

WKU, Sr., 6-2, 230, St. Augustine Beach, Florida.

Cameron Rising

Utah, Jr., 6-2, 218, Ventura, Calif.

Will Rogers

Mississippi State, Jr., 6-2, 210, Brandon, Mississippi.

Kurtis Rourke

Ohio, Jr., 6-5, 216, Oakville, Ontario, Canada

C.J. Stroud

Ohio State, So., 6-3, 218, Inland Empire, California.

Dorian Thompson-Robinson

UCLA, Sr., 6-1, 205, Las Vegas, Nevada

Jordan Travis

Florida State, Jr., 6-1, 212, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Caleb Williams

USC, So., 6-1, 215, Washington, D.C.

Bryce Young

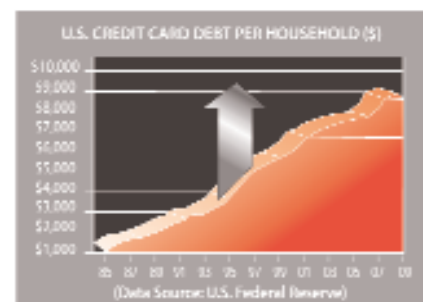
Alabama, Jr., 6-0, 194, Pasadena, California

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Tom Hill
CGA STAFF WRITER

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Tom's Tip: Using the legs to create power



TOM WARD
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Last week I met with Nasa Hatakao, a top-ranked player on the LPGA Tour. She won earlier this year on the LPGA Tour in L.A.

Nasa and her mom, who are from Japan, were in town visiting Tomo Kuga who is our mutual friend. We met at Timarron Country Club where she was able to get some practice while in town. This weekend she will be competing in the CME Group Tour Championship in Naples, Florida.

Nasa is only 5 ft. 2in tall, but she packs quite a punch generating a lot of club head speed while looking effortless in the process. This week's tip will showcase how a golfer who is short in stature can create tremendous power and length regardless by utilizing the legs effectively.

In the photo sequence Nasa is hitting her favorite club, a 7 iron. I asked what was her normal distance for hitting that club? Nasa said,

"I can carry it between 160-170 yards."

Nasa mentioned that sometimes she gets a little jumpy on the downswing which means she is coming up and out of the swing prematurely. I asked what she does to correct it? She replied, "I feel like I'm pushing down" as she flexed her legs motioning them in a downward motion.

The top three photos are the same swings as shown in the bottom 3 photos. The only difference is, they are from a different camera angle. I am focusing on the downswing only due to space limitations.

The top left and bottom left picture is the golfer at the top of her backswing. I drew an arrow at the top photo to highlight how she has gotten her left knee to go back inwards towards her right leg. That means she has transferred her weight properly. The other lines on the bottom left photo is to show that same swing whereby her right leg is fully braced and has remained flexed with is crucial to maintaining balance and building up torque.

The two middle photos are the beginning of her downswing. The arrow and the circle are to highlight how she uses her legs to initiate the downswing. Using the ground to push off will help her create a powerful action in the swing. She is working from the ground up instead of using the hands and shoulders first which is a real no-no. Nasa now has a pulling action instead of a hitting/throwing action which is a big key to success. It's all about establishing and maintaining leverage in the swing.

The final photo sequence is just beyond

impact. The arrow drawn in the top photo shows how well she has stayed down on the shot.

In the bottom far right photo I've drawn a line on her shoulders showing how her right shoulder is working down and under which is ideal. Her legs are pulling the arms into the impact area while keeping the shoulders passive which is a great recipe for success. By staying down and under she is unleashing some serious thunder into the ball.

The golf ball doesn't care if you're 7ft or 5ft tall. What matters is the angle you come into the ball, the speed and the club-face position at impact. Learning to utilize your lower body properly will help you generate power and precision just like this young lady demonstrated.

Keep an eye out for Nasa in the coming years because big things come in small packages.

To learn more about Tom Ward visit his website at www.teetimewithtom.com



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This week on TOUR: The RSM Classic



The RSM Classic is the final official PGA TOUR event of the calendar year. (Keyur Khamar/PGA TOUR)



The RSM Classic
November 17 - November 20, 2022
Sea Island Golf Club
Saint Simons Island, Georgia
Purse - \$8,100,00
Winners share - \$1,458,000
Defending Champ - Talor Gooch

By Adam Stanley
 PGATOUR.COM

It's the final official event of the year, bringing the calendar to a close at the picturesque Sea Island Resort in St. Simons Island, Georgia.

Tony Finau, who's scheduled to return to Sea Island for the first time since 2014, leads the field fresh off a win at the Cadence Bank Houston Open. There are plenty of locals looking to win on their home turf, as well, as Sea Island is a popular gathering spot for some of the TOUR's top players.

FIELD NOTES: Finau, a two-time winner on TOUR last season, is the highest-ranked golfer in the field. He earned his fifth TOUR title in Houston... Six of the

top 40 in the world are teeing it up, with Brian Harman, Sepp Straka, Tom Hoge, 2015 RSM Classic winner Kevin Kisner and FedExCup leader Seamus Power, winner of the recent Butterfield Bermuda Championship, joining Finau. Qualifiers for last season's TOUR Championship who are in the field are Straka, Finau, Hoge, Harman, J.T. Poston, Sahith Theegala and Scott Stallings... Recent RSM winners in the field include Kisner, two-time RSM winner Robert Streb, Chris Kirk, Austin Cook, Tyler Duncan, and Mackenzie Hughes, who won the Sanderson Farms Championship this fall... Tournament host Davis Love III will tee it up alongside fellow major champs in Webb Simpson, Francesco Molinari, Justin Rose, Stewart Cink, Jason Dufner, Zach Johnson, and Jason Day... Nick Hardy and Zac Blair are teeing it up on major medical extensions... Sponsor exemptions include four-time TOUR winner Aaron Baddeley, Camilo Villegas, Chris Gotterup, Jacob Bridgeman, Notre Dame's Palmer Jackson and Georgia alum Spencer Ralston. Bridgeman (No. 2) and Gotterup (No. 7) were members of this year's class in PGA TOUR University presented by Velocity Global. Gotterup, the 2022 NCAA Player of the Year, recently finished T3 at the Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament, while Bridgeman finished T45 to earn conditional status. Jackson earned his spot in the field by winning the prestigious Jones Cup at nearby

Ocean Forest Golf Club. Past champions of that amateur event include Justin Thomas, Corey Connors and PGA TOUR rookie Davis Thompson. Jackson is No. 20 in the PGA TOUR University Velocity Global Ranking. Baddeley has Monday qualified for two events this season, including a T6 finish at the Butterfield Bermuda Championship. Villegas was a Captain's Assistant at this year's Presidents Cup. **FEDEXCUP:** Winner receives 500 FedExCup points.

COURSE: Sea Island Resort (Seaside), 7,005 yards, par 70; Sea Island Resort (Plantation), 7,060 yards, par 72. Tournament Davis Love III and his brother Mark re-worked the Plantation Course – inspired by the traditional profile of Walter Travis' 1928 original – in 2019 with plenty of classic design features. Tom Fazio, meanwhile, redid the Seaside Course – a links-style layout adjacent to the ocean – in 1999.

STORYLINES: Four of the last six editions of The RSM Classic have gone into a playoff, including three in a row from 2018-2020... Sea Island has been a haven for first-time TOUR winners but not so much for local residents. There are lots in the field this year, per usual, but none have won the event. While Kevin Kisner captured the title in 2015, he was actually living in Sea Island only because his South Carolina home was being renovated... If there is one golfer to look at continuing the first-timer-trend at Sea Island, look to Taylor Montgomery, who hasn't missed a cut this fall (with finishes of 3-T9-T15-T13-T10)... Webb Simpson is hoping to finally take this tournament across the finish line. He finished inside the top 10, again, last season – the fifth time he's done that, including two playoff losses... This is

the last official PGA TOUR event on the calendar until the Sentry Tournament of Champions the first week of January.

72-HOLE RECORD: 260, Kevin Kisner (2015), Talor Gooch (2021)

18-HOLE RECORD: 60, Tommy Gainey (4th round, 2012), Sebastian Munoz (1st round, 2021), Tyler McCumber (4th round, 2021)

LAST TIME: Talor Gooch fired a final-round 64 to win by three over 2016 RSM champ Mackenzie Hughes for his maiden TOUR title. Gooch made three birdies in four holes after making the turn on Sunday and no one else could get close as the tournament reached its conclusion. Gooch had a three-shot lead to start the day and was locked in early, making birdies of just five and nine feet on Nos. 2 and 4 to start his final round. Gooch's 22-under 260 matched the tournament record set by Kevin Kisner in 2014, while he became the seventh golfer in the 12-year history of the tournament to make The RSM Classic his first TOUR victory. Hughes shot a tidy 8-under 62 to finish solo second, while Sebastian Munoz, who earlier in the week shot a course record-tying 60, finished third. Tyler McCumber, who shot a 60 of his own in the final round, finished tied for fourth alongside three other golfers.

HOW TO FOLLOW

Television: Thursday-Sunday, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. ET. (Golf Channel)

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First Tee celebrates 25 years of success



First Tee started in 1997 and has grown to 150 Chapters,

First Tee Celebrates 25 Years of Empowering Youth through Golf
First Tee has grown into a preeminent youth development organization with a network of 150 chapters which will come together in celebration of this milestone Nov. 16-18 in Dallas

By Staff
PGATOUR.COM

Twenty-five years ago, on November 13, 1997, then-PGA TOUR Commissioner Tim Finchem was joined in New York City's Central Park by representatives from the leading golf organizations - the LPGA, the Masters Tournament, the PGA of America, the PGA TOUR, and the USGA - public officials, including President George H. W. Bush, and golf dignitaries to announce the launch of First Tee.

Since that time, First Tee has grown into a preeminent youth development organization boasting a network of nearly 150 chapters with programs delivered at 1,400 golf courses, 10,000 schools and 1,700 youth centers in all 50 states and in Australia, Canada, Japan, Korea, Mexico and Morocco. In 2021, First Tee impacted more than 2.2 million kids and teens. Additionally, more than 10,000 adults are involved each year in support of First Tee's mission, many of whom have participated in First Tee's signature positive youth development training.

"I am proud of First Tee's growth and impact over the last 25 years," said President George W. Bush, First Tee Honorary Chair. "Their mission to help young people build life skills and strengthen their character using the game of golf has proven successful. Organizations like First Tee are critical to our society and our

country's future. I am grateful my father chose to get involved 25 years ago and pleased to carry the baton since 2011 in support of their work."

Under the leadership of Finchem, First Tee was launched as an industrywide initiative to make golf affordable and accessible for all kids. As the first programs were being developed, First Tee began an intentional effort to seamlessly integrate the game of golf with a life skills curriculum, creating a program that empowers youth to build inner strength, self-confidence, and resilience that they can carry to everything they do.

"We are grateful for the vision of my predecessor, Tim Finchem, and for his leadership in creating First Tee in 1997," said Jay Monahan, PGA TOUR Commissioner and Chair, First Tee Board of Governors. "Congratulations and thank you to all who have played an essential part in growing First Tee and contributing to the many transformational and inspiring stories we have seen over the last 25 years. Just as importantly, we are extremely excited about the path and trajectory of the program going forward as First Tee continues to evolve to meet the changing needs of young people."

First Tee has been undergoing a modernization effort to stay relevant and connected to kids and teens now and in the future. It refreshed its brand for the first time in 2020 and recently released a robust age-based curriculum update to better position the organization to reach teens and keep kids engaged in the program longer. Technology efforts are also underway to centralize and better support program registration, adult training and onboarding, and tools for coaches. In 2023, the first

participant-facing app will launch, providing supplemental digital experiences and gamification for young people in the program. In recent years, the organization also reinvested in its College Scholarship Program, and it touches hundreds of kids each year through national participant events, spanning from the PURE Insurance Championship at Pebble Beach to a five-day DEI-focused academy in Philadelphia.

"Since day one, First Tee has been intentional about reaching young people from diverse backgrounds, and that commitment continues today," said Greg McLaughlin, First Tee CEO. "Most years, between 40 and 50 percent of participants at chapters are non-Caucasian, and approximately 38% are female. Our network of chapter leaders, coaches, volunteers, board members and donors remain committed to breaking down barriers. And they continue to inspire me as we prepare for the future."

Throughout this anniversary year, First Tee has highlighted its alumni who've gone on to careers in the golf industry and beyond. First Tee's final alumni feature showcases Ariana Saenz, a former participant at First Tee - Greater Houston, who went on to play collegiate golf at the

University of Houston and Texas A&M. Saenz is set to graduate with a master's degree in human resources later this year and hopes to pursue a career in the golf industry.

"From age seven to 18, I was exposed to a set of morals and life skills at First Tee that poured the foundation for the woman I am today," said Saenz. "Along the way, I earned a college golf scholarship and went from being a participant to a volunteer who learned the value of giving back to the community and serving others."

Nov. 16-18, representatives from First Tee's network of 150 chapters will convene in Dallas for its Network Summit - the first in five years - to celebrate the anniversary and continue building momentum for the future with robust workshops, training and peer-to-peer networking. The Summit is presented by Century Golf Partners and made possible by other corporate partners who stand behind First Tee's mission.

To learn more about First Tee, its impact and future vision, please visit:

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How South Australia landed LIV Golf



The economic impact of LIV Golf in South Australia is expected to be in excess of \$70 million

By Mike McAllister

Born and raised in Queensland, Greg Norman doesn't hesitate to call himself a banana bender, the humorously affectionate term for inhabitants of Australia's north-eastern state.

Even so, his connections with South Australia run deep. When his father's great grandfather arrived in the country, his entry point was Port Lincoln, in the Eyre Peninsula and roughly 150 straight-line miles from the capital of Adelaide. "Really, my whole family history from my father's side started here," Norman stated.

From a golfing standpoint, South Australia also became a pivotal point in Norman's Hall of Fame career. It was in 1976, at the age of 21, that he won his first professional event, the West Lakes Classic. Shooting 64-67-66 the first three days, Norman led by 10 strokes going into the final round, eventually holding on to beat a field that included Aussie greats Bruce Crampton, David Graham, Bruce Devlin and Graham Marsh.

That tournament was held at The Grange Golf Club, and in 2012, Norman returned to the Adelaide area to redesign the East Course. It's now one of the top 60 courses in the country, according to Australian Golf Digest's latest rankings.

Ten years later, the next chapter of the Norman-South Australia relationship has become official with LIV Golf's announcement that the 2023 season will include a stop at The Grange on April 21-23 for the league's first event held Down Under. A joint news conference with Norman, LIV Golf's CEO and Commissioner, and South Australia Premier Peter Malinauskas on Monday morning in Adelaide made the multi-year agreement publicly official.

"This is going to be unlike any other sporting event that we've hosted in the state of South Australia," said the premier, "and it's something that is truly international that we can all be very proud of indeed."

It should come as no surprise that Norman made it a priority to hold a LIV Golf event in his home country.

"I've always been a staunch proponent myself personally as a player to promote the game of golf in Australia," he said. "I did it for decades and decades. So I made the journey down here, and I knew how the Australian market was basically devoid of quality players to the magnitude of what LIV has on its books, and I knew LIV and the Australian public would just absolutely embrace our platform."

As if on cue, tickets became a hot commodity on Monday, with an extremely high demand for three-day grounds passes. LIV Golf released additional tickets later in the day in hopes of satisfying the early consumers.

Pushing to play in Australia was one thing. But pushing a particular location is another. Despite his strong ties to The Grange, Norman wanted to make sure the LIV team did its due diligence in site selection.

Three months ago, a LIV contingent arrived in Australia to scout various courses. Norman gave the team a list of approximately two dozen courses to check out. Like with all world-class golf events with significant attendance, hospitality and logistics needs, certain criteria needed to be met. Evaluations went beyond the critical first-level scope of the course itself.

Of those 24 courses, the list was whittled down to eight potential sites. The

Grange obviously was one of them. But as discussions and conversations were held, Norman reminded himself that his involvement needed to be with the head, not the heart.

"I have a little bit of a soft spot for it," he said of The Grange, "but I couldn't let the emotion override the business decision."

Still, during the negotiating stage when Norman made contact with Malinauskas, he was impressed by the premier's enthusiasm and energy toward the potential of hosting the LIV event. "His reaction was so positive because he loves golf, he loves LIV, he loves the footprint that LIV can deliver," Norman said. "He loves the mechanism that LIV can deliver from an economic standpoint for his state, from a tourism perspective. The acceleration of the conversation was almost like lighting speed."

Tourism, indeed, was a key consideration for Premier Malinauskas.

"From the moment that the rumors started circling that LIV could end up in Adelaide, my phone along with many others lit up like a Christmas tree talking about where are the best places to stay, go and book," he said.

Just last week, the Australian Football League announced plans to host a 24th round of its 2023 schedule entirely in South Australia, with all 18 clubs playing in nine matches, many of them at the Adelaide Oval. This "Magic Round" will take place April 13-16.

A week later, LIV Golf comes to town. The economic impact, said Premier Malinauskas, is expected to be in excess of \$70 million. The timing is especially convenient for Australians since it comes during the middle of national school holidays.

"We'll see the whole state bursting at the seams showcasing everything we have

to offer," he added. "We know when people come to South Australia for the first time, they end up wanting to come back a second time. They go home and they spread the word. So the prospect of having LIV Golf attracting a whole new demographic of people to come to our state, not just to experience golf but to experience all of our amazing regions and the world-class food and beverage offering is something that is worthwhile to be excited about."

One other thing Australia's golf fans will get to see in April is the reigning Open Champion Cameron Smith. The 29-year-old captain of the all-Aussie team Punch GC will be the featured attraction for many locals.

When Smith joined LIV Golf prior to the fourth event of the season in Boston, the first thing he mentioned in his introductory press conference was his desire to give his homeland a world-class event. "It will be exciting to bring another event down to Australia," he said, "showcasing some of the world's best golfers at great golf courses down in Australia."

At the time, no official announcement on the tournament's location had been made. But with Smith and good friend Marc Leishman becoming LIV members, it was evident that Australia had become a top priority. With Smith winning in Chicago in his second start, and Punch GC having its best showing at the season-ending Team Championship in Miami with a second-place finish, Norman knew his fellow Queenslander had made the expected impact.

"I couldn't have done it quite honestly without having someone like Cam Smith willing to commit to Team Aussie," Norman said. "For him coming on board and to see the way has 120% embraced LIV and the LIV family concept has helped accelerate it all."

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NFL Week 11 Picks and Predictions



NFL picks, predictions for Week 11:
Chiefs escape Chargers again; Eagles curb Colts; Bears upset Falcons

By Bill Bender

What will the Vikings do for an encore? That is the question after Minnesota won a seventh consecutive one-score game in the 33-30 thriller at Buffalo. That is a candidate for the "Game of the Year," and the Vikings are enjoying a charmed season with a 8-1 record.

How will that play out against Dallas (6-3)? The Cowboys have split four road games this season, and the roller-coaster ride with Dak Prescott and coach Mike McCarthy continued last week in a 31-28 loss to the Packers. This is without question the game to watch in the NFC in Week 11, and Tony Pollard could be a difference maker against a middle-of-the-pack Minnesota run defense.

It also is one of three games between teams with winning records. The Jets (6-3) face the Patriots at 12 p.m. and the Sunday Night Football matchup features the Chiefs (7-2) and Chargers (5-4).

We picked road teams in two of these three matchups, which are the highlight of the Week 11 schedule. A look at our track record this season:

Record: 86-64-1

Here are our straight-up picks for Week 11 (odds courtesy of BetMGM):

Tennessee (6-3) at Green Bay (4-6)
Time / TV: Thursday, 8:15 p.m. / Prime
Line: Packers -1.5 / 38.5

The Packers hammered Tennessee 40-14 the last time they met at Lambeau Field on Dec. 27, 2020. Aaron Rodgers and Christian Watson connected for three TDs in Week 10, which kept their NFC playoff hopes alive. Tennessee's offense has struggled, but Derrick Henry should feast against a Packers' defense that allows 140.6 rushing yards per game. Tennessee wins on a walk-off field goal by Randy Bullock.
Pick: Titans 23, Packers 20

Chicago (3-7) at Atlanta (4-6)
Time / TV: Sunday, 12 p.m. / FOX
Line: Falcons -4.5 / 49.5

Justin Fields, who has 325 rushing yards the last two weeks, is drawing comparisons to Michael Vick. Will Fields, a Kennesaw, Georgia native, put on a show against Vick's former team? Atlanta had a long week to bounce back from a Thursday Night Football loss against the Panthers. These are two of the three worst passing offenses in the NFL. Fields' play-making on the run will make the difference.

Pick: Bears 26, Falcons 23

Carolina (3-7) at Baltimore (6-3)
Time / TV: Sunday, 12 p.m. / FOX
Line: Ravens -13 / 43.5

The Ravens had a bye week, and that should help against the Panthers. Baltimore is 2-2 at home, and all of those games have been decided by four points or less. The Ravens are 27th in pass offense; one spot ahead of the Panthers. Will Lamar Jackson or P.J. Walker finds a rhythm through the air? The Panthers are 0-4 S/U on the road. Trust the home team.

Pick: Ravens 32, Panthers 18

Cleveland (3-6) at Buffalo (6-3)
Time / TV: Sunday, 12 p.m. / CBS
Line: Bills -6 / 46.5

The Browns still have two games before Deshaun Watson returns from an 11-game suspension, and they are going to be brutal. Buffalo is coming off a loss, and Josh Allen will bounce back against a Cleveland defense that was torched by Miami for 39 points and 491 yards in Week 10. The Browns won the last meeting 19-16 in Allen's second season in 2019. The Bills turn the tables.

Pick: Bills 35, Browns 23

Washington (5-5) at Houston (1-7-1)
Time / TV: Sunday, 12 p.m. / FOX
Line: Commanders -2.5 / 40.5

The Commanders are on the fringe of the playoff picture, and they have won two road

games this season. Houston does not have much outside a solid rookie season from running back Dameon Pierce (772 yards, 3 TDs). The Texans are 0-4 ATS when they are an underdog of less than seven points.
Pick: Commanders 20, Texans 16

Philadelphia (8-1) at Indianapolis (4-5-1)
Time / TV: Sunday, 12 p.m. / CBS
Line: Eagles -10 / 44.5

If Colts interim coach Jeff Saturday knocks the Eagles off, then will he be voted Coach of the Year? Jonathan Taylor resurfaced with 147 yards and a TD in Week 10, and that's the recipe Saturday is going to ride with Philadelphia coming off a short week. It will work into the second half, but the Eagles get back on track after Monday's loss to Washington. Jalen Hurts hits A.J. Brown with the game-winning touchdown in the final minute.

Pick: Eagles 27, Colts 20

N.Y. Jets (6-3) at New England (5-4)
Time / TV: Sunday, 12 p.m. / CBS
Line: Patriots -5.5 / 39.5

These teams met in Week 8, and the Patriots won 22-17 on the strength of five field goals by Nick Folk. The Jets had a bye week to enjoy the victory against Buffalo. Zach Wilson had a season-low 48.8% completion percentage in the first meeting against the Patriots.

What will Wilson learn from that experience on the road against a Bill Belichick defense?

Pick: Patriots 24, Jets 21

L.A. Rams (3-6) at New Orleans (3-7)
Time / TV: Sunday, 12 p.m. / FOX
Line: Saints -1 / 41

The Rams have lost three straight games, a stretch in which they have averaged 14.7 points per game. Now, Cooper Kupp might be out with an ankle injury. The Saints have averaged 11.5 points in back-to-back losses, and they have lost four of five. When two bad teams meet, anything can happen. This is a coin-flip game.

Pick: Rams 22, Saints 17

Detroit (3-6) at N.Y. Giants (7-2)
Time / TV: Sunday, 12 p.m. / FOX
Line: Giants -4.5 / 46.5

The Lions have a chance for a rare three-game win streak, and their offense looks better when Amon-Ra St. Brown is healthy. New York is 3-1 S/U in home games this season, and all four have been decided by eight points or less.

The Giants keep it moving in the right direction in a thriller. The Lions still can't stop the run, and Saquon Barkley will have a huge game.

Pick: Giants 28, Lions 27

Las Vegas (2-7) at Denver (3-6)
Time / TV: Sunday, 3:05 p.m. / FOX
Line: Broncos -2.5 / 42.5

It's the Josh McDaniels bowl in a battle of the most disappointing teams of 2022. Denver has the top scoring defense in the NFL, and yet the offense has been miserable. The Raiders have won the last five in this rivalry, but the Broncos flip the script.
Pick: Broncos 20, Raiders 18

Dallas (6-3) at Minnesota (8-1)
Time / TV: Sunday, 3:25 p.m. / CBS
Line: Cowboys -2.5 / 47.5

The Cowboys are favored against Minnesota, which continues to produce close-game victories. Kirk Cousins is 2-8 lifetime against Dallas, and that includes a 1-2 mark with Minnesota. Still, the strong running game with Dalvin Cook and connection with Justin Jefferson has gone a long way this season. All that said, the fact Dallas is favored makes us think Dak Prescott will bounce back on the road.
Pick: Cowboys 30, Vikings 28

Cincinnati (5-4) at Pittsburgh (3-6)
Time / TV: Sunday, 4:25 p.m. / CBS
Line: Bengals -5.5 / 43.5

The Steelers beat the Bengals 23-20 and are a different team with T.J. Watt on the field. The Bengals, however, are coming off a bye week. Joe Burrow will not throw four interceptions this time, and the running game behind Joe Mixon will be a difference maker. Cincinnati picks up its first AFC North victory of the season.

Pick: Bengals 27, Steelers 21

Kansas City (7-2) at L.A. Chargers (5-4)
Time / TV: Sunday, 7:20 p.m. / NBC
Line: Chiefs -5.5 / 50

The Chiefs have scored 40-plus points in three of their four road games, and they have a chance to win a ninth straight game at the Chargers' home field. Patrick Mahomes II maintains the hot hand, and the Chiefs continue to look like the team to beat in the AFC.

Pick: Chiefs 31, Chargers 28

San Francisco (5-4) at Arizona (4-6)
Time / TV: Monday, 7:15 p.m. / ESPN
Line: 49ers -5.5 / 43.5

The 49ers are rounding into shape as a playoff contender, and the tag-team backfield of Christian McCaffrey and Eli Mitchell combined for 32 carries for 127 yards against the Chargers in Week 10. San Francisco will continue to grind out wins against Arizona, which might be without Kyler Murray (hamstring) for another week. The Cardinals did sweep this series in 2021, but the 49ers are the better team this time.

Pick: 49ers 31, Cardinals 24

King of Texas football in sight for Frogs



Since 1902 TCU has been King of Texas Football thirteen times

Sure, TCU Could Make The Playoff. But More Importantly, It Earned Texas Football Bragging Rights

We went back and calculated which school was King of Texas every year since 1902

By Josh Planos

Bragging rights are the lifeblood of football, and perhaps no state is more passionate about that fact than our state. You may have heard that Texas has a particular fondness for the sport, to the point that no one can seem to distinguish whether it's the high school or college classification — or simply the Dallas Cowboys — that operates as the state's de facto religion. So when the TCU Horned Frogs and Texas Longhorns squared off on Saturday, it wasn't just another game — it was a battle to be unofficially crowned king of football in the game's most avid habitat.

"In the state of Texas, you want to be No. 1," Drew Hogan, a TCU fan, told ESPN earlier this season. "It doesn't matter what game it is, who it is, you want to win for bragging rights at dinner."

And after this past weekend, those rights went to the psychedelic frogs from Fort Worth, whose 17-10 win over the Longhorns punched TCU's ticket to the Big 12 championship game and kept their College Football Playoff hopes alive. Most

importantly, the victory means TCU has climbed atop Texas's heap of 12 Football Bowl Subdivision programs, extending a recent renaissance for a program that had gone more than 50 years without being the state's best team until the 2010s.

To decide which team was the King of Texas (KoT) in each of the 121 seasons played since 1902, we turned to eSRS, a Simple Rating System-like evaluation that adjusts a team's points per game margin for home-field advantage and the quality of its opponents based on their Elo ratings.

To the surprise of few, the University of Texas reigns supreme overall, earning KoT honors a whopping 51 times, including every season from 1999 through 2006. With four of the state's six national championships to its credit, the Longhorns have set the standard in the state for more than a century. However, UT has fallen on relatively hard times in recent years. Over the course of 120 seasons, Texas has failed to produce a winning campaign just 17 times, but five of those instances have occurred since 2010.

In 2015, Texas was considered by eSRS to be just the sixth-best team in the state and it only improved to fifth-best in 2016. In 2021, Steve Sarkisian's first season as head coach, the Longhorns ranked fourth in the state and experienced the team's

longest losing streak in 65 years. This year, they will probably rank second (in part due to a high strength of schedule rating), but that probably says more about the rest of the state — TCU excluded — than anything else.

Number of King of Texas seasons by Decade							
Team	Pre-1980	'80s	'90s	2000s	'10s	'20s	Total
Univ. of Texas	37	2	3	9	.	.	51
Texas A&M	18	3	7	.	3	1	32
TCU	9	.	.	.	3	1	13
SMU	4	3	.	.	.	.	7
Baylor	2	.	.	.	3	1	6
Houston	3	2	.	.	1	.	6
Rice	4	.	.	.	.	.	4
Texas Tech	1	.	.	1	.	.	2

Source: Sports-Reference.com/CFB

Longhorns archrival Texas A&M earned KoT honors in 32 seasons, including seven times in the 1990s. Following the Aggies, TCU ranks third all time with 13 KoT honors (including 2022), nearly a quarter of which have come since the team moved to the Big 12 in 2012. After a half-century drought, the Horned Frogs are on pace to earn top billing in the state for a third time since the playoff was introduced in 2014. SMU (7), Baylor (6), Houston (6), Rice (4) and Texas Tech (2) round out the rest of the

KoT leaderboard.

UT is historically the King of Texas, but others are gaining

Most times ranking as college football's "King of Texas" (having the highest schedule-adjusted points-per-game differential among Texas schools in a season), since 1902

The story of college football can't be written without the state of Texas, which has produced eight Heisman Trophy winners from six different schools — including Davey O'Brien and Doak Walker, who have awards named after them. But the state is in the midst of a quiet period for its marquee attractions. For example, Baylor has claimed at least a share of the Big 12 championship three times since 2013 — as many times as UT and Texas A&M have combined to win since 1998.2 In 2016, the state earned three wins against Top 25 opponents over Labor Day weekend, winning the first week of college football (according to Texas Monthly). That season ended without a single Texas team in the AP postseason Top 25, the first instance in 49 years.

All told, the state of Texas hasn't experienced a national championship since 2005, a stretch that has seen six other states claim titles (including Alabama, which has won a whopping seven).

When the 2022 season began, there were three Texas-based teams in the Preseason AP Top 25. But six weeks later, each had fallen off — most notably the Texas A&M Aggies, a popular playoff candidate in the offseason that recently earned

the distinction of being the first program to lead a No. 1 recruiting class to a losing season. While only three teams from the Lone Star State currently have losing records, just one of them is ranked.4

That lone ranked team from the Lone Star State? None other than the No. 4 TCU Horned Frogs. They are this season's Kings of Texas — and with the state's near-pathological interest in the sport, they won't lack for support the rest of the way.

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SEC Football Week 12 Predictions



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With two games remaining in the regular season, the champions of the SEC West and SEC East conference have been crowned, LSU and Georgia. The Tigers will take on the undefeated Bulldogs in Atlanta on December 3rd in Mercedes Benz Stadium. LSU finishes with Alabama-Birmingham and Texas A&M while Georgia finishes with Kentucky and Georgia Tech.

The rest of the SEC slate went as expected other than #24 Kentucky's loss against Vanderbilt, ending Vandy's 26 game SEC losing streak.

Lots of non-conference cupcakes this week, 10 games, so the reviews will be short and sweet.
Last week: Straight: 5-2 / ATL: 5-2
Season's results: 76-16 / ATL: 56-36

#8 Alabama (8-2) vs. Austin Peay (7-3)
Time / TV: 11:00 a.m. / SECN+:ESPN+
Line: NL
Last week: Austin Peay 31 Kennesaw State 14; Alabama 30 Ole Miss 24

The Crimson Tide overcame a 10-0, Ole Miss lead in Oxford to eliminate the Rebels from the CFP playoffs. Alabama is in unfamiliar territory as well, being out of the playoff scenario for the first time before an SEC championship game in the past 5 seasons. Alabama gets a little rest in this one before getting in-state rival Auburn in the Iron Bowl next week. The FCS Governors will need a pardon after this cupcake contest.
Pick: Alabama 48 Austin Peay 0

Florida (6-4) @ Vanderbilt (4-6)
Time / TV: 11:00 a.m. / SECN
Line: Florida -14 / O/U 56.5
Last week: Florida 38 South Carolina 6; Vandy 24 Kentucky 21

Well, well, well, SEC cellar dwellers, the Vanderbilt Commodores, "shocked the world" beating 17-point favorite Kentucky in Lexington. Vandy handled Kentucky and solidified head coach Mitch Lea's coaching "from the ground up" philoso-

phy. Meanwhile Florida put a boot stomping on South Carolina to get bowl eligible in head coach Billy Napier's inaugural season in Gainesville. Vandy won't catch another SEC East rival napping, but should keep it close at home.

Pick: Florida 27 Vanderbilt 20
Texas A&M (3-7) vs. Massachusetts (1-9)
Time / TV: 11:00 a.m. / SECN+
Line: Texas A&M -33 / O/U 47.5
Last week: Arkansas State 35 UMass 33; Auburn 13 Texas A&M 13

Oh how the mighty have fallen. The Aggies are simply trying to survive the worst season of head coach Jimbo Fisher's career at College Station. Last week's loss to Auburn was plain ugly, ugly, ugly. A&M has no offense, no defense and no game. UMass is the perennial cupcake in FBS divisional games and will resume the role in the game. A&M is out of bowl contention and Jimbo may be out of a job.
Pick: Texas A&M 40 UMass 17

Mississippi State (6-4) vs ETSU (3-7)
Time / TV: 11:00 a.m. / SECN+/ESPN+
Line: No line
Last week: Western Carolina 20 ETSU 17; Georgia 45 Miss. State 19

Mississippi State is bowl eligible but showed that it can't compete with the SEC big boys, getting outscored 28 -7 in the second half at home in the blow-out loss to Georgia. The Bulldogs will get to 7-4 this Saturday leading up to the Egg Bowl next week. East Tennessee State is just looking for a payday on this game. Bulldog's QB Will Rogers is in the top 3 of quarterbacks in the SEC.
Pick: Mississippi State 48 ETSU 14

#1 Georgia (10-0) @ Kentucky (6-4)
Time / TV: 2:30 p.m. / CBS
Line: Georgia -22.5 / O/U 49.5
Last week: Georgia 45 Miss. State 19; Vanderbilt 24 Kentucky 21

Georgia QB, Stetson Bennett, all 5'11", 190 lbs of him, is simply a winner. He has won a national championship and has led the Dawgs to a 23-1 record in the last two years. Bennett has thrown for almost 3,000 yards and 14 TD's this year. Kentucky's Will Levis is supposed to be the prototype NFL quarterback but has failed to rally his Wildcats to wins this year. Gimme Bennet in the clutch every time.
Pick: Georgia 38 Kentucky 14

Auburn (4-6) vs. Western Kentucky (7-4)
Time / TV: 3:00 p.m. / SECN
Line: Auburn -5.5 / O/U 52
Last week: Auburn 13 Texas A&M 10; Western Kentucky 45 Rice 10

Great news for the Auburn Tigers and their interim head coach Cadillac Williams. The Tigers are still in the running for a bowl berth if they take care of business this week and next week against Alabama in the Iron Bowl. Not going to lie, I would love to see that happen. First, Auburn has to beat a salty Hilltopper squad that is averaging 38 points a game and ranks 5th nationally with 256 first downs. This conference USA foe won't go gently, but will go regardless.
Pick: Auburn 27 Western Kentucky 20

#5 Tennessee (9-1) @ S. Carolina (6-4)
Time / TV: 6:00 p.m. / ESPN
Line: Tennessee -21.5; O/U 66
Last week: Tennessee 66 Missouri 24; Florida 38 South Carolina 6

I put faith in the Gamecocks last week and they were obliterated by the Gators. Tennessee blew up Missouri outscoring the Tigers 38-7 in the 2nd half. Tennessee's Hendon Hooker solidified his Heisman credentials throwing for 355 yards and 3 TD's and rushing for 50 yards and 1 TD. The Vols are playing like a team of destiny and are still playing for a natty. **Pick: Tennessee 44 Missouri 17**



Ole Miss travels to the hills Saturday to play Arkansas

#15 Ole Miss (8-2) @ Arkansas (5-5)
Time / TV: 6:30 p.m. / SECN
Line: Ole Miss -2.5 / O/U 61
Last week: Alabama 30 Ole Miss 24; LSU 13 Arkansas 10

The best SEC match up of week 12 will be in Fayetteville, Arkansas. Razorbacks head coach Sam Pittman needs a signature win to salvage a mediocre third year at the

helm of Arkansas's premier athletic institution. Rebels head coach Lane Kiffin desperately wants back to back 10 win seasons to elevate his coaching pedigree over and above Oxford, Mississippi. Hogs get QB KJ Jefferson back which would have been the difference maker in last week's loss to LSU. Going homer on this one.
Pick: Arkansas 31 Ole Miss 30

Missouri (4-6) vs New Mexico State (4-5)
Time / TV: 6:30 p.m. / ESPN
Line: Missouri -28.5 / O/U 46.5
Last week: Tennessee 66 Mizzou 24; New Mexico State 51 Lamar 14

Missouri has to win this cupcake contest and then beat Arkansas next week to become bowl eligible. Missouri is an enigma but shouldn't have any trouble over the far West Aggies on their home field. New Mexico State hasn't been the patsy of the past, doubling their win totals for the past four years, but the Aggies still lack the talent to beat an SEC also-ran.

Pick: Missouri 30 New Mexico St. 20
#6 LSU (8-2) vs. UAB (5-5)
Time / TV: 8:00 p.m. / ESPN2
Line: -14.5 / O/U 52.5
Last week: LSU 13 Arkansas 10; UAB 41 North Texas 21

The SEC West Champions can coast through the rest of the regular season, having to only best UAB and Texas A&M to finish at 10-2. Tigers head coach Brian Kelly has become only the fourth head coach in SEC history (Les Miles 2005, Gus Malzahn 2013, Jim McElwain 2015) to win his division and play in the SEC championship in their first year. UAB will be cajun-cooked, gumbo in this night time affair in the Bayou.
Pick: LSU 44 UAB 14

SEC Standings		
Team	Conf.	Overall
EAST		
Georgia	7-0	10-0
Tennessee	5-1	9-1
Kentucky	3-4	6-4
Florida	3-4	6-4
South Carolina	3-4	6-4
Missouri	2-5	4-6
Vanderbilt	1-5	4-6
WEST		
LSU	6-1	8-2
Alabama	5-2	8-2
Ole Miss	4-2	8-2
Miss. State	3-4	6-4
Arkansas	2-4	5-5
Auburn	2-5	4-6
Texas A&M	1-6	3-7

Big 12 football weekend - Week 12



Baylor has a chance to knock off undefeated TCU this weekend in Waco

By Jon Thomas

TCU (10-0) at Baylor (6-4)
Time / TV: 11:00 / FOX
Line: TCU -2.5 / 56.5

The No. 4 team in the nation – at least according to the College Football Playoff – keeps on answering every challenge. It was a touchdown underdog on the road against Kansas – and the defense rose up and stuffed Bijan Robinson in the 17-10 win. There were supposed to be problems in various offensive fights throughout the Big 12 season – and TCU has always been a wee bit better. The team just doesn't make enough mistakes. It's one of the best in the country at limiting penalties, it only turned it over seven times, and the offensive versatility allows to adapt and adjust to the game flow. It might be TCU's biggest strength – it has a way of finding a way to come through when needed to maintain control.

On the flip side, Baylor has to run well to win. It's 5-0 when running for over 170 yards – 230 or more in each of those – and 1-4 when it doesn't. TCU has yet to allow more than 200 yards on the ground and gave up over 170 just three times.

The Baylor defense is the second-best in the Big 12 and has the ability to take the ball away in bunches – it came up with eight takeaways in the two games before the stunning 31-3 loss to Kansas State – and it needs to control the clock.

Baylor might hold on to the ball for over 32 minutes and come up with a few takeaways, but TCU will adjust. Once again, there will be chances for the other side to take over and pull off the win, and once again TCU will rise up with a timely stop, a key scoring drive, and whatever it needs to do to slip on by.

Pick: TCU 34, Baylor 31

Texas Tech (5-5) at Iowa State (4-6)
Time / TV: 6:00 / FS1
Line: Iowa State -3.5 / 47.5

The Red Raiders might not be explosive in this, but they should be versatile. It helps to potentially have the quarterback situation settled. It's been a bumpy ride for Tyler Shough, but the oft-injured former Oregon Duck has the skills and upside to be fantastic in the Texas Tech system. He wasn't perfect in the win over Kansas, but he threw for 246 yards and a score as he continues to get back up to speed. He's got high-end upside, and he'll get a bit of a break again with the Texas Tech ground game helping to take over the heavy lifting.

The trio of backs – SaRodorick Thompson, Tahj Brooks, and Cam'Ron Valdez – have been able to balance out the attack that needs everything to click against the great Iowa State defense.

In a Big 12 loaded with strong offenses that get into back-and-forth fights every week, Iowa State stands out with a defense that's the best in the league by a mile. Baylor has the second-best defense in the league allowing 360 yards per game. Iowa State's is close to 80 yards per game better. Coming up with third down conversions against this bunch is a problem. There might not be a whole lot of pressure in the backfield, but that's by design.

The Cyclone offense continues to sputter. The defense might be amazing, but turnovers have been devastating with five being the difference in the loss to Oklahoma State last week. Iowa State is 3-1 when it doesn't turn it over multiple times and 1-5 when it does. Texas Tech is 4-0 when it forces two or more turnovers.

The Red Raider offense will do just a bit more to push ahead when it gets the chance, and the defense will get those two takeaways.

Pick: Texas Tech 23, Iowa State 20

Oklahoma State (7-3) at Oklahoma (5-5)
Time / TV: 6:30 / ESPN+
Line: Oklahoma -7.5 / 64.5

Did the Cowboys really stop the slide? They couldn't get the offense scoring against Kansas State and Kansas on the road in two puzzling losses, and the struggles against Iowa State and its defense were expected. However, the defense was able to step up with five takeaways.

Oklahoma was able to avoid turnovers in the loss to West Virginia last week, but it's having problems hanging on to the ball with nine giveaways in the previous four games. The defense shouldn't be a problem. The offense needs to get the ground game going right away against a Sooner defense that's been pounded on for close to

500 yards over the last two weeks. The Oklahoma State offense has crashed. Yeah, the win over Iowa State was nice, but again, it wasn't because the O worked – it came up with just 244 yards and couldn't get the passing attack working. The Sooner defense might not be a rock, but it's been great at forcing mistakes – eight takeaways in the last four games – to help out the offensive side that's rumbling on the ground.

The rough first season under Brent Venables could quickly take a turn for the positive by winning the Bedlam Series rivalry showdown over the Cowboys. The program is well past just being happy with being bowl eligible, but for now that's not a bad mark to hit.

Oklahoma State's offense will have too many problems against the OU defensive front that will get behind the line, Gray will be great, and the turnovers on both sides will matter.
Pick: Oklahoma 34, Oklahoma State 31

Kansas State (7-3) at West Virginia (4-6)
Time / TV: 1:00 / ESPN+
Line: Kansas State -7.5 / 54.5

Kansas State has a Big 12 Championship appearance there for the taking. Even with the two losses in the last four games, the 31-3 win over Baylor last week and the 48-0 stomping of Oklahoma State means a win this week and a win over Kansas next week would send the Wildcats to the title game. Or, a win in this and a Texas loss to Kansas would get it done. The Wildcats are getting production out of both quarterbacks Adrian Martinez and Will Howard, the offense has found a terrific groove over the last several weeks, and the defense has been able to rise up in key moments and dominate.

It might not be Iowa State's D, and it hasn't been consistent, but it's been great at taking the ball away – seven forced turnovers in the last three games – and allowed fewer than 310 yards of total offense in three of the last five games.

The West Virginia run defense has been rocky, the offense is turning it over a bit too much, and ...this is a different Mountaineer team at home. It's 1-4 away from Milan Puskar and 3-2 in the friendly confines.

The turnovers will be a problem. Kansas State just doesn't turn it over enough to matter, and the two takeaways it'll get will overcome the big things the West Virginia offense will do. It'll be a fun back-and-forth fight. Both running games will be good, JT Daniels will be solid for the West Virginia passing game, and there will be chances for both

sides to take over.
Pick: Kansas State 34, West Virginia 31

Texas (6-4) vs Kansas (6-4)
Time / TV: 2:30 / FS1
Line: Texas -9.5 / 64.5

Be shocked if this isn't the Bijan Robinson show. Number 5 was held to just 29 yards on 12 carries in the tough loss to TCU last week and now he'll bust out against a Kansas defense that's been a tad rough against the run allowing 260 yards or more in three of the last four games. Robinson was on a roll going into the showdown against the Horned Frogs – over 100 yards in seven straight games.

The Kansas offense continues to roll. Star QB Jalon Daniels is trying to work his way back into the mix – he's questionable for this – but the O has been keeping up the production with close to 1,100 yards over the last two weeks with Devin Neal running every bit as well as Robinson has. The 224-yard day against Oklahoma State was the breakout performance, and he followed it up with 190 yards against Texas Tech.

The Texas defense has been okay against the run, it's been getting hammered lately through the air – the TCU loss aside – and at home, the Jayhawks should be balanced enough to move however it needs to.

It might not be the wild and crazy 57-56 game of last year – at Kansas win – but there's a chance it isn't far off. This is fun time for Kansas. It's bowl eligible, it's the last home game of the season, and next week it's the rivalry game against Kansas State. It's going to let it all loose with a huge day from the offense.

This is desperation time for Texas. It's bowl eligible, but that's not nearly good enough in a disappointing 6-4 season so far. The Longhorns will have a little more offense down the stretch, but Kansas will make this a whole lot of fun.
Pick: Texas 40, Kansas 34

Big 12 STANDINGS		
TEAM	Conf.	Overall
TCU	7-0	10-0
Kansas State	5-2	7-3
Oklahoma St	4-3	7-3
Baylor	4-3	6-4
Texas	4-3	6-4
Texas Tech	3-4	5-5
Kansas	3-4	6-4
WestVirginia	2-5	4-6
Oklahoma	2-5	5-5
Iowa State	1-6	4-6

AAC Football Weekend - Week 12



Houston travels to Greenville North Carolina this weekend to play the ECU Pirates

By Jon Thomas

UCF (8-2) vs Navy (3-7)
Time / TV: 11:00 / ESPN2
Line: UCF -15.5 / 52.5

The wins might not be there, but the team hasn't been all that miserable. The running game is okay even if it's not its dominant self, there aren't any mistakes – the penalties and turnovers have been kept to a minimum – and there's a chance it all comes together in a special performance. Can UCF gear up the focus?

It's coming off a huge win over Tulane that put the New Year's Six bowl appearance on the table, and now it has to hold up against the curveball of a ground attack. Tulane was able to get its backs into space averaging close to six yards per carry, and Navy should do the same.

Can the Navy run defense hold up? Again, the stats are skewed because opposing teams throw, but UCF will be balanced, it'll average five yards per carry, and it'll set up a shot at cementing a place in the AAC title game. It might take a win over USF next week to do that, but first the offense has to keep up with the Navy offense that will take off for well over 200 yards.
Pick: UCF 34, Navy 20

USF (1-9) vs Tulsa (3-7)
Time / TV: 8:00 / ESPN2
Line: Tulsa -13.5 / 57.5

The Bulls weren't able to get past SMU in the first game under the interim reign of Daniel Da Prato, but the offense was balanced and it wasn't all that bad. The passing game has to be sharper and the O overall wasn't able to keep up, but it wasn't

anything totally different. The Tulsa offensive front isn't great in pass protection, the running game isn't great, and there are enough turnovers to potentially give the Bulls a shot.

The Golden Hurricane turned it over multiple times five times in the last six games, and USF needs them.

Tulsa won't have to press. It might have a turnover issue, but USF's defense isn't taking it away. USF isn't coming close to stopping the run, passing games are hitting 75% of their passes over the last three games, and all of a sudden, the Tulsa O will return to its September form – at least for one game.
Pick: Tulsa 41 USF 28

Houston (6-4)@ East Carolina (6-4)
Time / TV: 1:00 / ESPN
Line: Pirates -6.5 / 66.5

Two 6-4 teams converge in Greenville, NC. With two veteran 10,000-yard QBs pitted against each other, this one has potential for points. One year ago, Houston and East Carolina was an exciting overtime bout between two of the AAC's better teams, albeit a 5-hour and 18-minute weather delay prior to kickoff. This year the series shifts to Greenville, where the Pirates will host senior day as well as the final edition of the Houston vs. East Carolina series as AAC opponents. Both teams already clinched bowl eligibility and carry 6-4 records into Saturday afternoon's contest. Although Houston has been more renowned for its defensive prowess and East Carolina more for its offensive abilities in recent years, the roles have somewhat reversed in this 2022 season — making this an intriguing battle between a high-powered Cougar offense and a lockdown Pirate defense.

East Carolina has played five games within three points, while Houston has been involved in five matchups which featured a tie or lead change in the final minute of regulation, so these two are no stranger to down-to-the-wire finishes. Houston's defense has struggled containing opposing passing attacks lately, allowing 77 points to SMU and 486 passing yards to Temple in its last two times out. Thus, expect Holton Ahlers and the Pirates to possess enough firepower to slide past the Cougars' defense in Greenville. But by virtue of the Clayton Tune and Tank Dell connection, this game won't be decided until the final minute — as has been the theme in the majority of Houston games this year.
Pick: East Carolina 37, Houston 35

#25 Cincinnati (8-2) at Temple (3-7)
Time / TV: 3:00 / ESPNU
Line: Bearcats -16.5 / 50.5

No. 25 Cincinnati will try to remain in contention for an AAC title game appearance when it travels to Temple on Saturday afternoon. The Bearcats have won eight of their nine games since opening the season with a narrow loss at Arkansas. Temple has lost five of its last six games, including a 43-36 loss at Houston last week. Cincinnati opened the season with College Football Playoff aspirations, but those were essentially dashed in a 31-24 loss to then-No. 19 Arkansas in Week 1. The Bearcats have not let that loss define their season, though, as they have won eight of their nine games since then. Their only other loss came at UCF at the end of October in a 25-21 final. They now find themselves tied with the UCF and Tulane atop the AAC standings—Cincinnati will face the Green Wave next Friday afternoon. The Bearcats have been playing well in November throughout head coach Luke Fickell's tenure, going 18-4 during that stretch.

Casual bettors are going to see Temple's record and take a Cincinnati team that has been the top team in the conference over the past few years. However, the Owls are playing very well right now, while the Bearcats have looked shaky. Temple is led by one of the hottest quarterbacks in the conference, as Warner is coming off a game during which he set multiple program records. The Owls have now covered the spread in four of their last five games, and they have covered in five straight home games. Cincinnati has failed to cover in each of its last five games, and

this is a lookahead spot with a game against Tulane coming up next week.
Pick: Cincinnati 40 Temple 10

North Alabama (1-9) at Memphis (5-5)
Time / TV: 1:00 / ESPN+
Line: No Line

Memphis football is one win away from being bowl eligible for a ninth consecutive season. The Tigers can get there Saturday (1 p.m., ESPN+) hosting FCS opponent North Alabama.

The Tigers (5-5, 3-4 AAC) are 8-0 against FCS schools since 2013. Since it's also the last home game of the season, Memphis will honor 17 seniors in a pregame Senior Day ceremony. For North Alabama (1-9, 0-5 ASUN), it's the Lions' season finale. The school fired coach Chris Willis after eight games and interim coach Ryan Held has finished out the rest of the season.

With Brandon Thomas out for the season, expect Memphis to feature Jeyvon Ducker and Asa Martin at running back. Both will split most of the carries and freshman Sutton Smith should be healthy and in the mix after missing last week's win against Tulsa. This is also the Tigers' best chance to potentially end their 100-yard rusher drought. It's been 20 consecutive games since Memphis had someone cross that mark and the last time it happened at home? Against an FCS opponent in Nicholls State in last year's season opener. If the Tigers can't produce a 100-yard rusher this game, then it's time to wonder if it will happen this season. The last time they went a season without one was in 2011. The Memphis seniors get one last gift with an easy win. It's been a rough season and clinching a ninth consecutive bowl game makes some of the pain easier to handle.
Pick: Memphis 48, North Alabama 16

AAC Standings		
Team	Conf.	Overall
UCF	5-1	8-2
Cincinnati	5-1	8-2
Tulane	5-1	8-2
SMU	4-2	6-4
Houston	4-2	6-4
East Carolina	3-3	6-4
Memphis	3-4	5-5
Navy	3-4	3-7
Tulsa	1-5	3-7
Temple	1-5	3-7
South Florida	0-6	1-9

College Football News and Notes



Former Nebraska defensive back Jim Pillen has been elected governor of Nebraska



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Former Nebraska defensive back Dr. Jim Pillen has been elected governor of Nebraska starting in January 2023. Dr. Pillen was a defensive back for the Huskers from 1975-78 with four bowl teams and a combined career mark of 37-11 via Columbus, Nebraska and is in the Nebraska Sports Hall of Fame. He played for Huskers head coach and NFF College Hall of Fame coach Dr. Tom Osborne.

Ithaca College and SUNY Cortland vied for the famed Cortaca Jug last Saturday at Yankee Stadium in its 63rd edition. It was the first time either team competed at Yankee Stadium and represented the first all-New York college contest at the stadium since Syracuse downed Army West Point 27-25 on Nov. 7, 1964. Ithaca (now 10-0) was victorious 34-17 and also leads the all-time series between the teams 37-26 as Cortland lost its first contest of the year to drop to 9-1 before 40,232 partisans. Last Saturday's fracas also was televised nationally on the New York Yankees YES Network. Both teams are expected to receive invitations to the upcoming '22 NCAA Division III Championships.

It was a different locale, but 75 years

after Arkansas and LSU were slip-sliding away on a frozen Cotton Bowl Stadium surface Jan. 1, 1947, in the Dallas Classic, the two teams waited on grounds crews to clear sleet off the natural grass field at Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium last week in Fayetteville, Ark. Unlike the 0-0 deadlock in the '57 Cotton Bowl, the 2022 version ended in a 13-10 win by LSU in SEC activity. LSU now leads the all-time series with UA 43-23-2 over 68 tussles.

Sports Data Research football expert Shane Holmes found in ancient archives the names of the 1945 Cotton Bowl Classic between Oklahoma A&M (now O-State) and TCU, who currently compete in the Big 12 Conference. The referee was Henry Viner of Missouri, the umpire was John Waldorf (later Big Eight Conference coordinator of football and basketball officials and brother of NFF College Hall of Fame head coach Pappy Waldorf of Missouri), field judge was Bat Shunatona (the first chief of a Native American tribe to work a traditional New Year's Bowl of Oklahoma and U. of Tulsa where he starred in both football and baseball), and W.L. Penberthy of Ohio State. Goodyear Cotton Bowl historian and retired vice president Charlie Fiss had been searching for this data for 30-plus years before it was discovered.

Gridiron Trivia: the NCAA FBS schools with the longest streaks of seasons with .500 or better football records are: 49 seasons - Penn State, 1939-87; 42 - Nebraska, 1962-2003; 42 - Notre Dame, 1889-1932; 40 - Michigan, 1968-2007; 40 - Texas, 1893-1932.

The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame will be returning to Las Vegas for the 64th Awards Dinner presented by Las Vegas on Tuesday, Dec. 6, at

the Bellagio Resort and Casino. The Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, the marketing arm for the Las Vegas destination, again will serve as the presenting sponsor of the event. Ticketing and additional information can be found on the event's website link at <https://footballfoundation.org/feature/NFF2022>. The NFF also has launched a dedicated website powered by SIDEARM for the NFF Awards Dinner Presented by Las Vegas. The site includes a link to buy tickets online, and it will be updated throughout the year with more information, including sponsorship opportunities and special travel rates from Delta Air Lines and Bellagio. New NFF events specialist Courtney Morrison-Archer also is working with awards dinner coordinator Will Rudd on the festivities.

The NFF Gridiron Club of Dallas (Texas) is celebrating its 14-year anniversary with a new dedicated website and several upcoming functions.

The NFF's Future For Football multi- and social media campaign continues into its fifth season this autumn and has included 1,500-plus original content pieces with more than nine million minutes of videos watched by millions on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter since 2018.

NFF College Hall of Fame Facts

Some notable birthdates in NFF College Hall of Fame annals in the Nov. 14-20 time period are Nov. 14 (1871) Charles Wharton, Magnolia, Del.; (1926) Tubby Raymond, Flint, Mich.; (1972) Aaron Taylor (Notre Dame), San Francisco, Calif.; Nov. 15 (1890) Shorty Miller, Harrisburg, Pa.; (1898) Frank Thomas, Muncie, Ind.; (1907) Volney Ashford, Chicago, Ill.; (1950) Otis Armstrong, Chicago, Ill.; (1981) Boomer Grigsby, Canton, Ill.; Nov. 16 (1965) Gordie Lockbaum, Medina, Pa.; (1978) Eric Crouch, Omaha, Neb.; Nov. 17 (1908) John Cain, Montgomery, Ala.; (1939) Willie Richardson, Clarksdale, Miss.; Nov. 18 (1896) Slip Madigan, Ottawa, Ill.; (1934) Paul Wiggin, Modesto, Calif.; (1948) Jack Tatum, Cherryville, N.C.; (1969) Raghib "Rocket" Ismail, Elizabeth, N.J.; Nov. 19 (1947) Mike Phipps, Shelbyville, Ind.; (1949) Ahmad Rashad (nee' Bobby Moore), Portland, Ore.; Nov. 20 (1901) Bill Mallory, Memphis, Tenn.; (1970) Trevor Cobb, Houston, Texas; (1971) Chris Bisaiillon, Kankakee, Ill.

Notable death anniversaries in this time period are Nov. 14 (1931) Bill Kelly, New York, N.Y.; (1974) Jim Phelan, Honolulu, Hawai'i; (2016) Bob Gain, Willoughby, Ohio; Nov. 15 (1974) Johnny Mack Brown, Beverly Hills, Calif.; (1992) Carl Hinkle, Little Rock, Ark.; Nov. 17 (2001) Billy Vessels, Coral Gables, Fla.;

(2006) Bo Schembechler, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Nov. 18 (1977) Davey O'Brien, Ft. Worth, Texas; Nov. 19 (1982) Ray Morrison, Miami Springs, Fla.; (2020) Jake Scott, Atlanta, Ga.; Nov. 20 (2010) Rob Lytle, Fremont, Ohio.

Happy birthdays to Hall of Famers on Nov. 14 Aaron Taylor (Notre Dame), Nov. 15 Boomer Grigsby, Nov. 16 Gordie Lockbaum, Eric Crouch, Nov. 18 Raghib "Rocket" Ismail, Nov. 19 Mike Phipps, Ahmad Rashad (nee' Bobby Moore), Nov. 20 Trevor Cobb, Chris Bisaiillon...

Hawai'i will play a single game at Washington in 2030...Some key non-conference games along with the newly-denoted 2023-26 American Athletic Conference intra-loop skirmishes (eight games per season) are Temple at Oklahoma in 2024, Tulsa at Oklahoma State in '25 and East Carolina at NC State in 2025...Georgia and LSU clinched their SEC West and West Division titles last Saturday and will meet in the SEC championship tilt on Dec. 3 in Atlanta...TCU has gained one of the two positions in the Dr Pepper Big 12 Football Championship in Arlington, Texas after topping Texas last weekend...SMU is 6-0 in 2022 games when scoring 40-plus points and is bowl eligible for the fourth consecutive season...Ohio State became the first FBS squad to go 10-0 with an early afternoon victory over Indiana last Saturday...The ACC Network has opted for the Louisiana at Florida State tussle telecast Saturday with a noon (EST) airtime...Vanderbilt won its first SEC game since 2019 with a 24-21 upset at Kentucky and is offering \$30 individual game tickets as a celebration for Saturday's tussle against Florida. NFF correspondent and columnist Bo Carter remembers attending Vandy home games in the 1960s for \$5 - those were the days...Tennessee set a school record with 724 yards of total offense against Missouri...Wisconsin is seeking to keep and extend its 20-consecutive bowl season mark intact if it can win one of its two remaining skirmishes. Student-athletes from nine universities with sponsorships from the SANIL Group utilized their NIL platforms to emphasize midterm voting to constituents on Nov. 8 as well as observance of Veterans Day activities from Nov. 11-13... Fifty Louisiana student-athletes participated in the Reading in Red Tour at local elementary schools last week. They read to the youngsters from the popular book Born to be a Ragin' Cajun...The Goodyear Cotton Bowl, Tarrant Area Food Bank, AT&T Stadium, Dallas Cowboys, American Airlines, and Arlington Police and Fire Departments along with the MW Cares Foundation and The Big Good are holding

the Thanksgiving Mega Mobile Market food distribution at AT&T Stadium on Thursday with 4,000-6,000 area underserved families receiving Thanksgiving meals...The Goodyear Cotton Bowl also is providing tickets to the 87th Classic on Jan. 2, 2023, through the Vet Tix Program.

Connecticut head coach Jim Mora has the Huskies in position for their first seven-victory season since the 2010 Huskies closed 8-5 and played in the 2011 Fiesta Bowl...Missouri head coach Eli Drinkwitz received a two-year contract extension and guaranteed compensation increases through the 2027 season...Ohio head coach Tim Albin seems to be following in the footsteps of his mentor and retired Bobcats head coaching legend Frank Solich with OU starting the year at 7-3 overall and leading his Mid-American Conference division with a 5-1 mark...USA Today detailed several head coaches who have received bowl and performance bonuses per their contracts: South Carolina's Shane Beamer, Florida State's Jay Norvell, Louisville's Scott Satterfield, Toledo's Jason Candle, Eastern Michigan's coach Chris Creighton (also with a one-year contract extension), Kansas' Lance Leipold, Kentucky's Mark Stoops, Mississippi State's Mike Leach, Minnesota's PJ Fleck, North Texas' Seth Littrell, and Texas' Steve Sarkisian, among others...Kentucky's Stoops also has emphasized some major updates needed in UK's NIL programs to keep up with other SEC schools...NC State special assistant to head coach Dave Doeren and former East Carolina and Texas Tech head coach Ruffin McNeill spoke about his path to college football and how coaches impact the everyday lives of student-athletes...Illinois offensive coordinator Barry Lunney Jr. had his contracted extended through the 2025 season.... Vanderbilt defensive backs coach Dan Jackson has stepped back from his coaching role during an in-season performance review after apologizing for social media posts.

Hometowns of more 2022 college head coaches – Notre Dame: Marcus Freeman, Fairborn, Ohio; Notre Dame (Ohio): Garrett Mack, Cleveland, Ohio; Ohio: Tim Albin, Woodward, Okla.; Ohio Northern: Dean Paul, Garrettsville, Ohio; Ohio State: Ryan Day, Manchester, New Hampshire.

DePaul director of athletics DeWayne Peevy said that he knows he cannot be a miracle worker with Blue Demons athletics but is working with the Big East Conference to maximize revenue as well as to increase alumni and area support for the department...Hartford men's basketball head coach Josh Gallagher has finished his tenure with UH...Oklahoma AD and NFF board member Joe Castiglione stated that first round and quarterfinal games in the new College Football Playoff expansion would create tremendous game-day atmospheres and even more national interest.... New Bowling Green AD Derek van der Merwe noted that his biggest challenge in

the post is finding the resources and time to accomplish everything that needs to be done...Auburn hosted its introductory media conference for AD John Cohen, who quipped that he was a close friend of Alabama AD Greg Byrne and wondered if he was allowed to state that fact at AU.... UAPB AD Chris Robinson and interim head coach Don Treadwell gave their thoughts about the present and future of Pine Bluff football...Rice president Dr. Reginald DesRoches is recovering from prostate cancer surgery and has been overwhelmed by the major outpouring of support from Owls alumni, friends and Houston area residents... South Alabama AD Joel Erdmann and his staff are working to improve fan experiences at Hancock Whitney Bank Stadium...Tennessee AD Danny White has been in a video message to urge Vols supporters to support NIL ventures and the Boost Her Club and Spyre Sports' Volunteer Club...Toledo AD Bryan Blair mentioned that NCAA FBS athletics governance is at the most complicated point in history with NIL, NCAA transfer portal, diversity and equity, and multiple challenges on the daily agenda...Iowa State extended women's soccer head coach Matt Fannon with a new contract through Dec. 31, 2026...UNC Asheville men's tennis head coach Tom Hand is retiring after the 2022-23 season – his 15th with UNCA.... Dartmouth women's soccer head coach Ron Rainey is leaving the program after nine seasons...Cal Poly added Jackson Stava as senior associate AD...UC San Diego tabbed Stephanie Duke as senior associate AD for administration...Cal State Bakersfield chose Daniel Sperl as women's softball head coach. Sperl also has an extensive background in athletics media relations...George Washington selected Jihad Ali as associate AD for business administration...Ole Miss is seeking a new deputy AD with responsibility for football... Monica Jaenicke has been appointed as Northern Arizona's associate AD for communications...Illinois baseball head coach Dan Hartleb gained a contract update through the 2027 season...Notre Dame men's basketball head coach Mike Brey is discussing a possible personal pact extension past its current run through the 2024-25 campaign...Sacred Heart tabbed Anthony Anzevui as its permanent men's soccer head coach...Oklahoma City U. named Natalie Graves associate AD for compliance...Hartford men's basketball coach John Gallagher has left his position to seek other career options...Jacksonville U. and Nevada are two of several colleges seeking new men's and women's soccer head coaches...Former California director of justice operations and engagement Thompson has become Loyola Marymounts associate AD for administration and student-athlete success...Northern Colorado men's basketball head coach Steve Smiley inked a five-year extension through April 2027...Gardner-Webb president Dr. William M. Downs is searching

for a new vision for G-W's overall undertakings and through solid and recruiting in athletics...New administrative position postings in athletics on D1ticker.com include Le Moyne, Liberty, Pittsburgh, Texas A&M-Commerce, Utah State, Louisiana, Georgia State, Georgia Tech, Richmond, Elon, the Big Ten Conference, and USF.

West Coast Conference commissioner Gloria Nevarez has been selected as commissioner at the Mountain West Conference to replace the retiring Craig Thompson...Conference USA has completed its new multimedia rights agreements with CBS Sports and ESPN beginning with the 2023-24 competitive year. CBS Sports Network will have tier one selections for 18 C-USA football and 18 and men's basketball contests with telecasts of the C-USA annual football championship, men's basketball semifinal and championship games, women's basketball championship game, and baseball and softball championship tilts. ESPN, ESPN2 or ESPNU will have priority after CBS Sports Network makes its choices...Jackson State won the Southwestern Athletic Conference's East Division title last week and will host the SWAC championship clash in Jackson, Miss., Dec. 3...North Carolina and NFF College Hall of Fame head coach Mack Brown clinched the Atlantic Coast Conference's Coastal Division crown and will meet Clemson Dec. 3 in the Dr Pepper ACC Championship at Charlotte, N.C....Atlantic-10 Conference executive senior associate commissioner Jill Redmond was named to Sports Business Journal's prestigious SBJ's Game Changers Class...The Big 12 Conference entered Nov. 8 clashes with the top scoring average among NCAA FBS circuits at 34.3...The Mid-American Conference's full slate of Tuesday-Wednesday night telecasts on ESPN except for Wednesday, Nov. 23, guarantees a college or pro football national telecast every day from Nov. 1-29 with the exception of the Wednesday (Nov. 23) before Thanksgiving...The Big 12 Conference and the Oak View Group's Prevent Advisors are working together to assist with student-athlete safety, fan experience and game security starting this month...Southern Conference officials are discussing some NCAA transfer portal and grant-in-aid release challenges, pending cases and one-time transfer provisions...

The College Football Playoff's second rankings welcomed 2022 newcomers Florida State, Kentucky and Washington at positions 23-25...There are still four unbeaten schools through Nov. 12 contests – Georgia, Michigan, Ohio State, and TCU. There also are 64 teams eligible for the initial 41 FBS postseason bowls followed by the College Football Playoff title tussle after 13 schools reached the six-win pinnacle last weekend... CFP selection committee chair and NC State AD Boo Corrigan gave the facts about TCU moving from No. 7 to No. 4 as one of four unbeaten teams in

the CFP standings last week, Connecticut, 6-5 as an FBS independent, is not assured of a postseason berth at this time but is enjoying its best overall season under first-year head coach Jim Mora since the Huskies finished 6-7 in 2015 and played in the St. Petersburg Bowl...Mississippi State has qualified for a school-record 13th consecutive bowl and 26th all-time for the Bulldogs since first playing in the 1937 Orange Bowl...The College Football Playoff and the Rose Bowl presented by Capital One also are holding talks about the bowl's role in an expanded CFP postseason format...The return to prominence of Tennessee football is indicated by an initial No. 1 ranking in the Nov. 1 College Football Playoff survey as the Vols made their eight CFP rankings' appearance (first since the 2016 season). UT was in 52 Bowl Championship Series Top 15-25 rankings from 1998-2007 and won the 1998 BCS crown...All Sports Central has early November bowl projections such as Friday, Dec. 16 Hometown Lenders Bahamas Bowl – WKU vs. Eastern Michigan; Duluth Trading Co. Cure Bowl – Georgia State vs. Ohio; Wasabi Fenway – Memphis vs. Miami (Fla.); Cricket Celebration – Jackson State vs. North Carolina Central; PUGB New Mexico – Air Force vs. North Texas; Jimmy Kimmel Los Angeles Bowl presented by Kiffel – Boise State vs. Washington State; LendingTree – Middle Tennessee vs. Southern Miss; SRS Distribution Las Vegas – Missouri vs. Oregon State; Frisco Bowl – Fresno State vs. Troy...The proposed \$2.1 billion domed Tennessee Titans Stadium in Nashville, Tennessee could be a candidate to host the 2026 College Football Playoff if the facility is completed in time...AT&T Stadium, home of the Goodyear Cotton Bowl and the inaugural 2015 College Football Playoff between Ohio State and Oregon, had an exclusive presale of tickets last week for the April 8, 2023, concert featuring Billy Joel and Stevie Nicks at the stadium.

NFF College Hall of Fame and Pro Football Hall of Fame coach Jimmy Johnson/NFL analyst Jimmy Johnson has penned a new book entitled Swagger about his lifetime football experiences...NFF College Hall of Fame RB Herschel Walker of Georgia will compete in runoff race with incumbent U.S. Sen. Raphael Warnock of Georgia in December for the state's U.S. Senate seat...and former professional football player Herschel Walker will go to a runoff. That contest would take place next month. Several former college baseball standouts and members of the College Baseball Hall of Fame are on the 2023 Contemporary Baseball Era Committee player ballot, which will be reviewed and voted upon Dec. 4 at Baseball's Winter Meetings. Albert Belle of LSU, Barry Bonds of Arizona State, Roger Clemens of Texas, Don Mattingly, Fred McGriff, Dale Murphy, Rafael Palmeiro of Mississippi

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State, and Curt Schilling of Yavapai College are among the nominees...Football historian Mike Burrows recalled that future MLB star Rico Brogna won the 9-year-old Division of Ford's Punt, Pass and Kick competition at New York's Shea Stadium in 1979. He later signed a football scholarship with Clemson in 1988 but decided to accept a pro baseball offer instead. Three NCAA FBS individual statistical leaders in key categories this week are Oregon's Box Nix with a 72.8 percent pass completion rate (219-Of-301), Ohio State's C.J. Stroud with a 188.16 passer rating and Temple's De'Von Fox and Rutgers' Max Melton with three blocked kicks apiece...Freshman Bert Emanuel Jr. of Central Michigan rushed for a NCAA FBS-quarterback-high 293 yards on 28 carries with three TDs in CMU's 31-27 win over Buffalo last week. He is the son of former Rice and NFL standout Bert Emanuel Sr....Mississippi State's Tulu Griffith received special teams' performance recognition from the SEC for his role in MSU's win over Auburn...Kansas running back Devin Neal and Temple running back Edward Saydee amazingly each gained 334 all-purpose yards in conference wins over Oklahoma State and USF, respectively...La'Damian Webb of South Alabama had a school-record 247 yards on a USA-game-high 35 carries with four touchdowns as the Jaguars won at Georgia Southern...Arkansas QB KJ Jefferson's return to better health is assisting in the Hogs in the requisite six wins for a bowl with Ole Miss and Missouri remaining on the regular slate...The 20 semifinalists for the 2022 Lou Groza National Place-Kicker Award are Michigan's Jake Moody, Syracuse's Andre Szmyt, NC State's Christopher Dunn, Georgia's Jack Podlesny, Clemson's B.T. Potter, Alabama's Will Reichard, Boise State's Jonah Dalmas, Missouri's Harrison Mevis, UTEP's Gavin Baechle, Wyoming's John Hoyland, Buffalo's Alex McNulty, Miami (Fla.)'s Andres Borregales, Oklahoma State's Tanner Brown, North Texas' Ethan Mooney, Stanford's Joshua Karty, Arkansas State's Dominic Zvada, and South Alabama's Diego Guajardo. Moody (2021) and Szmyt (2020) are previous winners of the laurel. Three finalists for the award will be denoted on Nov. 29...SMU quarterback Tanner Mordecai received the Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Player of the Week honor after passing for a school and American Athletic Conference record nine touchdowns and rushing for another in a 77-63 aerial circus against Houston...(continued on page 18)Former Baylor starting quarterback Gerry Bohanon had his season ended by shoulder surgery earlier this year after transferring to USF...The Palm Beach County Sports Commission Lou Groza Collegiate Place-Kicker Award presented by the Orange Bowl saluted three kickers for their recent accomplishments - NC State's Christopher Dunn with 42 consecutive successful kicks (24 PATs and 18 field goals), Alabama's Will Reichard with four

field goals to keep the Crimson Tide in contention at LSU and Marshall's Rece Verhoff who scored all 12 points on four three-pointers in the Thundering Herd's 12-0 triumph over Old Dominion...The Ray Guy Memorial Award tabbed Bryce Baringer of Michigan State as the Ray Guy Award Punter of the Week for Week for his 49.2 average on five punts and just one return for two yards...TCU stars TCU's Derius Davis (special teams' returning ace) and Johnny Hodges helped the Horned Frogs bolt to a 9-0 start while Kansas' Devin Neal and Texas' Jaylan Ford were instrumental in their squads' drives to six-win bowl eligibility by the first week in November. Iowa State's youngster Cartevious Norton is hoping to help the Cyclones gain their eighth postseason appearance since 2011 with his heads-up actions...Conference USA WKU quarterback Austin Reed (six TD passes and 409 aerial yards against Charlotte, Louisiana Tech DB Myles Brooks (two interceptions against Middle Tennessee) and UTSA kicker Jared Sackett (three key field goals as the Roadrunners downed perennial C-USA contender UAB in two overtimes) have been posting all-loop showings in November games...Texas LB Jaylan Ford earned the FWAA Bronko Nagurski National Defensive Player of the Week Award with a team-high 10 tackles, interception and fumble recovery to help the Longhorns win at then-No. 13 Kansas State...RB Rayquan Smith of Norfolk State and Amherst receiver Jack Betts (his parents are both corporate attorneys) and are two of the 2022-23 student-athletes with the most varied NIL portfolios. Smith sports 70 NIL arrangements while Betts is involved with 35 NIL partnerships....Alabama RB Roydell Williams has been a major factor in short yardage situations for the Crimson Tide this autumn....Mississippi State RB Woody Marks has been a steadying factor in MSU's running game with a team leading seven TDs in his first nine contests and 346 net yards rushing...Celina (Texas) HS star QB Noah Bentley inked a baseball scholarship as a pitcher last Wednesday with 2022 NCAA diamond runnerup Oklahoma...Kentucky men's basketball oral commitment for 2023-24 Rob Dillingham has signed with the Overtime Elite squad for eligibility and NIL reasons...Arkansas DBs Myles Slusher and Anthony Brown are seeking full reinstatement to the UA roster for the rest of the year.

Army West Point athletics now has \$112 million of the needed \$145 million for the renewal of its football stadium through the Michie Stadium Preservation Project...Nebraska athletics is proceeding on schedule with its \$165M football facility adjacent to Memorial Stadium/Dr. Tom Osborne Field. The new building will be a massive 315,000-plus square feet...Pittsburgh athletics will start construction on a \$240 million multipurpose facility early in 2023...Cincinnati athletics' \$100 million

Day One Ready fundraising appeal will be utilized for a new \$4 million football locker room, a health and wellness center and endowment for a director of sports psychology, among other areas, at UC...Baylor offered \$40 single-game home tickets in gratitude for fan support over the years....Kentucky athletics has finished his \$310 million Central Bank Center expansion with several renovations at historic Rupp Arena and the surrounding facilities....Eastern Kentucky has a new naming rights agreement over 11 years for \$2.5 million with Baptist Health for the now-named Baptist Health Alumni Coliseum on Paul S. McBrayer Court...Visit Jackson (Miss.) administrators estimated the economic impact of Jackson State's Homecoming and BoomBox Classic football contests on Oct. 22 and 29 helped generate \$8.9 million and \$4.4 million, respectively, in tourism and accommodations for the city...Boise State alumni Bob and Bonnie Schwenkfelder donated \$1 million for the Broncos north end zone capital project and received another \$1 million gift from an anonymous donor for the same usage...East Carolina nabbed an anonymous \$360,000 gift for the Pirates Unite Campaign for Comprehensive Excellence and multipurpose indoor practice facility...Boston U. athletics' Terriers Together Campaign had 1,400 individual and corporate gifts for a 35 percent increase over 2021...Vanderbilt athletics will initiate the Bronson Ingram Center for Student-Athlete Success through the Vandy United area with a substantial gift from the decades-long Vandy enthusiast and board of trust member...Kent State athletics will begin Phase 2 of the Golden Flashes' Play as One strategic plan and has 43 of 100 major action items with one of the major aspects being implementing a NIL program for the Golden Flashes...Cal Poly's football and soccer stadium has been renamed Mustang Memorial Field Presented by Dignity Health French Hospital Medical Center after the signing of a 10-year naming rights' pact with the center last week...

The Colorado State-Wyoming Border War Game (first played in 1899) was renewed last week for the famed Bronze Boot Trophy - one of 100-plus traditional college trophy games on the docket from Nov. 12-Dec. 10 this season...Oklahoma athletics and the mobile application StadiumDrop will allow to enable app payment and express pick-up options at OU events...Illinois State and Fanatics now are offering personalized names and jersey numbers for football, volleyball and soccer with additional winter sports offers impending...UALR athletics raised \$294,000-plus during its 14th annual SpectaculaLR Gala in Little Rock, Ark....Belmont athletics has enhanced several areas of the Curb Event Center, which has been the site of numerous country music extravaganzas and political debates. Nuances include the playing surface, goals, branding messages, rotunda banners, and

graphic displays...For those wanting a fast-food fix after football playing or viewing in the state of Nebraska, here are the five largest franchises in the Cornhusker State with their numbers of stores: Subway: 201 locations; Pizza Hut: 82; McDonald's: 76; Burger King: 65; and in-state favorite Runza: 53...Idaho has entered the NIL arena through Opendorse...The Washington State athletics Cougar Collective is now in a NIL agreement with the MOGL Group...Kansas' new strategic plan includes development of core values for student-athletes, significant capital facility projects, support for KU Olympic sports, and greater impact for NIL opportunities...U. of New Orleans athletics has returned to the drawing board for funding to start varsity football and other sports after UNO student did not approve a proposed \$300 semester student experience fee...WKU has introduced a "campy" unique helmet decal with a red creature on a silver background...The Cambridge Associates reported that higher education endowments increased by 30 percent from fiscal year 2020 to fiscal year 2021 as COVID-19 recovery took hold...ASM Global Venues added Colorado athletics as a facilities' client...Mississippi State will use the Parker Executive Search firm to assist with new AD hiring procedures, and experts on the opening noted the university's last two ADs were MSU alumni Scott Stricklin and John Cohen...St. Peter's men's basketball added banners to celebrate the 2022 success in NCAA March Madness® before an opening game sellout audience...Clemson has signed a full-campus agreement with RealResponse for reporting, privacy and personal conduct services...Presbyterian athletics has a new multiple year pact with Game One and adidas...The Notre Dame Irish United will be operated by the SANIL Group with a 501-c3 element going forward...UCLA's impending plans to join the Big Ten Conference are among the key agenda items for the University of California Board of Regents meeting Thursday....Tennessee athletics officials and Aramark are working with authorities to halt underage alcoholic beverage consumption at UT home games...TCU athletics video services was commended for posting a series of imaginative viral videos. TCU marketing and licensing personal also reported major gains in corporate support through the Horned Frogs successful football program and some concentrated data analytics over the last two years...Siena athletics is working with the NCAA and Wichita State about waivers for transfer students in recent months...The City of Boise's (Utah) Planning and Zoning Commission has allowed Boise State to use lights at Boas Soccer Complex for BSU women's soccer matches...Wisconsin athletics celebrated the overall success and the work of the MLB Milwaukee Brewers for the Nov. 11 Brew City Battle between Wisconsin and Stanford in men's basketball and UW and Kansas State in women's

hoops at the Brewers American Family Field...Noted Vanderbilt alumnus Richard Taylor noted a long-ago rushing of the field by Commodores fans, primarily students, after the Commodores 28-21 regular-season ending victory over rival Tennessee. Only one person was injured (fractured teeth), and few other football field rushes have been recalled. Vandy's Memorial Gymnasium has been the site of several on-court rush celebrations since its construction in 1950...Rutgers' men's soccer team captured its first Big Ten Conference post-season title last Sunday.

CBSSports.com columnist Dennis Dodd expects the Pac-12 Conference to finish its multiyear multimedia rights' contract in all probability with ESPN and Amazon within the next three months...Sports Business Journal delved into California's State Proposition 27, which would have made online wagering legal in the state and allowed immediate smartphone wagers before and during games on all sports levels. The proposition was defeated statewide 83 percent to 17 percent last Tuesday...The Dan Patrick Show has intimated that San Diego State may be a forthcoming invitee into the Pac-12 Conference...Stadium.com broke the news about a Mid-American Conference-Sun Belt Conference Men's Basketball Challenge during the 2023-24 season...Sports Illustrated's Pat Forde posited about possible additional NCAA enforcement measures for Kansas' men's basketball program...HBCU Gameday highlighted a day in the life of new Florida A&M AD Tiffani Sykes and how she has been juggling responsibilities between her associate AD post at Dartmouth and FAMU tenure, which officially begins in January...The Athletic's Seth Davis quoted informed sources that the Big 12 is seeking additional membership very likely from a current Group of Five conference power...The Campus Ink Group has received \$2 million in funding from Chicago's Light-Bank, investments from Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban and other key groups for its funding...Altius Sports Partners is beefing up its athlete partnerships and general manager search divisions for campus placements...The Athletic brought up how games such as LSU's win over Alabama ultimately could cost the SEC two places among the CFP semifinals since Michigan and Ohio State play in their regular-season finales. He also broached the possibilities of OSU or Michigan making the semis if one or both have one loss after the Big Ten Conference title contest...Sports and marketing firm the Gazelle Group will contribute \$5,000 to an NIL collective with Colorado athletics...Sports Business Journal is conducting a season-long survey and feature on the impact of non-conference men's NCAA Division I basketball games on NCAA Selection Sunday...Sportico.com gave its two cents about the possible expansion of men's and women's basketball March Madness®...The New York Times newspaper pointed

out some continued inequities between NIL rewards for men's and women's student-athletes. Though women gymnasts have some of the largest NIL endorsements among all sports...The Nashville Tennessean newspaper had editorial comments about the suspension of Vanderbilt assistant coach Dan Jackson and its reasons...The San Jose (Calif.) Mercury News newspaper does not believe that the Big Ten Conference will reconfigure with the West Division after UCLA and USC join the BTC...adidas is working with several entities about solutions for the sale of its Yeezy-brand items...Connect MB Sports.com had an extensive feature on NCAA training techniques, sports injury treatment and National Athletic Training Association guidelines with several training experts...Mountain West Conference feature writer Jessie Kurtz penned a solid story about Air Force's magical 2022 baseball season, AFA baseball coaches who served combat duty and how the Falcons commemorated Veterans Weekend...AthleticDirectorU.com featured Kansas State AD Gene Taylor on organizational stability in college athletics and Arkansas athletics for innovative ideas about NIL endorsements and diversity and equity tasking...D1.ticker/Connect.com explained through conversations with several college administrators the fast-moving gains in the popularity of women's volleyball via Olympic competition, advanced marketing measures and season ticket campaigns undertaken at several universities...ExtraPoints.com glanced at plans for the UCCU Soccer Stadium on the Utah Valley State campus.

The FWAA FBS Super 16 poll this week has Top 10 members Georgia, Ohio State, Michigan, TCU, Tennessee, LSU, USC, Alabama, Clemson, and Utah...The Week 10 FWAA Cheez-It Team of the Week was Notre Dame after a convincing, 35-14 victory over Clemson...The FWAA also will continue its Bronko Nagurski Award Defensive Players of the Week Awards through Dec. 5...Trending on social media and other platforms nationally from the College Sports Communicators group are Greg Kincaid of Penn State, Evan Roberts of Louisiana, Kyle Campbell of Ole Miss, Brandon Langlois of Mississippi State, and Molly O. Fillmore of Missouri...Arizona State, Coppin State, Kansas, Kentucky, LSU, Miami (Fla.), Michigan, Michigan State, Tennessee, UCLA, USC, and Yale have been conferring with NCAA enforcement and compliance officials concerning possible issues and probes at their respective schools...The latest AFCA NCAA FCS Top 25 has Top Five standard bearers South Dakota State, Montana State, Sacramento State, North Dakota State, and Jackson State for the third consecutive week...The AFCA NCAA Division II survey has the same Top Five teams as the previous poll - Grand Valley State, Angelo State, Shepherd (W.Va.), Ouachita Baptist, and Pittsburg State...The AFCA Division

III Top 25 poll includes Top Five teams North Central (Ill.), Mount Union (Ohio), Mary Hardin-Baylor, Linfield, and Trinity (Texas) for the last two surveys as well as Alma (Mich.) at 9-0 at No. 24 for the first time in the NAIA Top 25 since 2006...The Week 9 NAIA Top 25 poll has Morningside (Iowa), Grand View, Northwestern (Iowa), Bethel (Tenn.), and Indiana Wesleyan among the Top Five...The 2022 NCAA Division I Field Hockey and Women's Soccer Championships have both their fields set and are competing with championship rounds upcoming from Friday, Nov. 18-Sunday, Dec. 4. The 85th annual NCAA Men's Division I Cross Country and 42nd annual NCAA DI Women's Championship are set for Saturday in Stillwater, Okla., with Oklahoma State as host...NCAA director of Leadership Development DeeDee Merritt outlined several NCAA programs online and in-person dealing with emerging leaders, student-athlete leadership techniques, foundations of fundraising, and NCAA and NFL Coaches Academies...Big 12 Conference commissioner Brett Yormark and NCAA editor/correspondent Andy Katz enjoyed a discussion about recent hires of college commissioner from outside the traditional experience in college administration posts and a national standard for NIL agree-

ments...The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee heard proposals from future Men's Final Four® prospective sites during its annual fall meeting last week...Florida athletics has been working with the NCAA NIL working group on refinements and national standard reviews of the collegiate NIL program...Miami-Dade (Fla.) County sporting groups and the NBA Miami Heat ended their facility naming rights' contracts with FTX after the cryptocurrency group declared bankruptcy.

2022-23 College Football Playoff Bowl Schedule with six games on New Year's Day

Saturday, Dec. 31, 2022 (CFP Semifinals)

Chick-Fil-A Peach Bowl, No. 1 vs. No. 4 or No. 2 vs. No. 3 see, Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta, Ga., 3:30 or 7:30 p.m. Playstation Fiesta Bowl, No. 1 vs. No. 4 or No. 2 vs. No. 3 seed, State Farm Stadium, Glendale, Ariz., 3:30 or 7:30 p

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