

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9 THROUGH APRIL 15, 2002

2001-02 BLACK COLLEGE BASEBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

CIAA CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

THRU 48	CONF	ALL	W	L	W	L
Elizabeth City State	5	3	11	9		
Shaw	7	4	12	13		
St. Augustine's	5	7	6	14		
Virginia State	2	3	6	15		
St. Paul's	0	6	0	9		

CIAA LEADERS

BATTING AVG.	Stephens, L. VSU	.396
SLUGGING PCT	Brower, E.J. ECSU	.667
ON BASE PCT	Branch, Antk. ECSU	.490
RUNS SCORED	Brower, E.J. ECSU	18
HITS	Jones, Jesse, ECSU	22
RUNS BATTED IN	Tucker, C. VSU	17
DOUBLES	Brower, E.J. ECSU	5
HOME RUNS	Martin, Mark, ECSU	4
TOTAL BASES	Brower, E.J. ECSU	34

MEAC MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

THRU 48	CONF	ALL	W	L	W	L
N. DIV.						
Delaware State	6	0	23	12		
Howard	2	2	3	22		
Coppin State	3	4	4	27		
Maryland-E.S.	2	11	2	26		
S. DIV.						
Bethune-Cookman	12	0	28	11		
NC A&T State	2	3	8	26		
Florida A&M	4	5	17	17		
Norfolk State	4	11	9	20		

MEAC LEADERS

HITS	Timmons BCC	68
RUNS SCORED	Timmons BCC	59
RUNS BATTED IN	Underwood DSU	46
HOME RUNS	Underwood DSU	12
TOTAL BASES	Timmons BCC	107

SIAC SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

THRU 48	CONF	ALL	W	L	W	L
Kentucky State	3	2	3	10		
Albany State	0	0	0	0		
Tuskegee	0	0	0	0		
Fort Valley State	0	0	0	0		
Clark Atlanta	0	0	0	0		
Paine	0	0	0	0		
LeMoyne Owen	0	0	0	0		
Lane	0	0	0	0		
Miles	0	0	0	0		

NO OTHERS AVAILABLE

SWAC SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

THRU 48	DIV	W	L	W	L
ALL					
E. DIVISION					
Jackson State	9	5	13	13	
Alabama State	11	9	16	15	
Miss. Valley State	7	7	9	9	
Alcorn State	11	13	14	19	
Alabama A&M	8	12	9	19	
W. DIVISION					
Southern	15	2	25	4	
Ark. Pine Bluff	13	9	22	15	
Texas Southern	11	8	11	9	
Grambling State	9	7	15	13	
Prairie View	1	23	1	38	

SWAC LEADERS

BATTING	Weeks, Rickie, SU	.510
ON BASE PCT	Weeks, Rickie, SU	.606
RUNS SCORED	Weeks, Rickie, SU	40
HITS	Weeks, Rickie, SU	51
RUNS BATTED IN	Weeks, Rickie, SU	45
HOME RUNS	Gray, Antoin, SU	11

INDEPENDENTS

THRU 48	W	L
Central State	0	0
West Virginia State	0	0
Cheyney	0	0

NO RECORDS AVAILABLE

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE



Tuskegee U. Sports Photo
WILLIAMS: Tuskegee cornerback projected to be first black college player taken in April 20-21 NFL Draft.

YEAR ROUND FOOTBALL

ADAMS, MURRAY P-I-T STATS; BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL COMES TO MADDEN

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

B-CC SETTLES ON REED: Bethune-Cookman Assistant Basketball Coach, Clifford Reed, Jr.



B-CC Sports Photo
REED: Gets B-CC job on permanent basis after serving as interim head coach this year.

who ran the team on an interim basis during the season after the sudden resignation of Head Basketball Coach Horace Broadnax, was given the job on a permanent basis Monday. After a national search, Reed, a former B-CC player, beat out two others for the job, current Central State head man Michael Grant and Brevard Community College Head Coach, Ajac Triplett. "The committee felt that Clifford Reed's familiarity with the program, his passion for teaching basketball and young men along with his preparation made him the logical selection for this position," said B-CC Athletic Director Lynn Thompson. Reed first served as an assistant coach for B-CC during the 1991-1992 season under Head Coach Jack "Cy" McClairien. He returned in 1997 as assistant coach under Broadnax until his resignation midway through this season. He began his interim stint on January 31 of this year and compiled a 6-4 overall record including a 5-3 mark in Mid Eastern Athletic Conference games. B-CC ended the season at 12-17 overall with a 8-10 conference record. The Wildcats lost in the quarterfinals of the MEAC tournament to Howard, 71-52. Reed began his collegiate playing career at St. John's River Community College from 1983 to 1985. He then transferred to Daytona Beach Community College and received his Associates degree. Upon graduating, the Ormond Beach, FL, native finished up his basketball eligibility at B-CC scoring over 1,200 points in two seasons.

MURRAY, ADAMS STRUGGLE:

Neither CIAA Player of the Year, Ronald Murray of Shaw, or MEAC Player of the Year, Tommy Adams of Hampton, had particularly good outings at last week's (April 3-6) Portsmouth (Va.) Invitational Tournament. Murray, a 6-4 guard who has taken home two NCAA Div. II player of the year awards, played for Sales Systems Limited, one of the eight, eight-man teams playing before a host of scouts and personnel people from NBA and international leagues. He had five points in his first game Wednesday shooting one of seven from the field. He cranked it up Thursday, hitting six of 22 shots and tallying 12 points. His team split the two games. He tallied ten points but also had five turnovers Saturday as his team won the fifth place contest. Adams, playing for MD Designs, got 14 points in his first game Thursday and came back to get eight on Friday as his MD Designs squad won both contests. Adams had four points, two assists and two turnovers as he team fell to Portsmouth Sports Club in the championship game. Adams' teammate at the P-I-T, Oklahoma forward Byron McGee, had 30 points and 15 rebounds in the final and was named the tournament's most outstanding player.

CHOICES NARROWED AT NSU:

Norfolk State inched closer to selecting a new men's basketball coach Thursday when the search committee, headed by women's coach James Sweat, identified an initial list of five candidates. The committee may interview some of those candidates, Sweat said, but new names could be added to the list. The school is seeking a replacement for Wil Jones, who was fired as coach in March. The five applicants are: Henry Dickerson, former head coach at UT-Chattanooga; Norfolk State assistant Jim Hammond; Dwight Freeman, an assistant at Miami; Florida State assistant Coleman Crawford; and Ben Betts, an assistant at College of Charleston.

ALL-STATE DESIGNATION: Southern

guard Jacklyn Winfield, Hampton guard LaShondra Dixon and Norfolk State forward Suwana Taylor were named to the respective all-state teams in their locales. Winfield, the SWAC player of the year, who led the SWAC in scoring and led the Jags to the SWAC title, was named to the Louisiana Sports Writers Association first team. Dixon and Taylor were named to the 2002 Virginia Sports Information Directors All-State Women's Basketball second team. Dixon led the MEAC in scoring while Taylor was named tournament MVP while leading the Spartans to the MEAC championship.

Alums create black college football for Madden

(Excerpted from Otto Fad's story on Sportsnetwork.com)

For those looking to put some black college flavor into their computer football games, Marcus Green and Paul Rollin have something for you.

Green, an alumnus of Florida A&M and Rollin, from Morehouse, are co-workers and friends who have created an addition to Madden NFL Football 2002 entitled "Madden Black College Football" or "Madden BCF."

It allows computer gaming enthusiasts to select from a long list of black college teams, plus 11 others referred to as non-BCF, or sometimes as PWC's (predominantly white colleges), to play their games. "We wanted to provide a way for BCF gamers to play with their own teams," said Green. "But we also wanted to raise the awareness of HBCU's - both the athletics and the academics - especially to high school students."

And what a terrific tool for doing that they have developed! To play the game, you'll need a copy of John Madden NFL Football 2002 (PC version) and to download the roster files from the Madden BCF website (<http://maddenbcf.meacfans.com/>).

Green emphasizes that Electronic Arts Sports (EA Sports) developers did

SCREEN SHOTS: (R.) Former Jackson State player T. C. Taylor hauls in a pass against Southern on Madden BCF, an addition to EA Sports' Madden NFL Football 2002. (Far r.) Tuskegee and Alabama State do battle with the Tuskegee Golden Tiger logo displayed at midfield. (Photos at maddenbcf.meacfans.com/)



all the programming for the game, while Green and Rollin took advantage of a "custom rosters" feature built into the newest version of the game. Neither is an agent or employee of EA Sports.

"The John Madden NFL series," said Green, "dates back to the Sega Genesis era (circa 1990), and has always been a sports-gamer favorite, for its realistic game play and graphics."

"In the 2002 incarnation of the Madden NFL software, there are features which allow for custom team creation (including logo design) and on-line league play, to coincide with superior graphics, challenging game play and a variety of settings and play calls to match wits with the computer or a human opponent."

Green and Rollin worked together on the project in 2001, and this year joined forces with a third HBCU alumnus, Floyd Hill from Florida A&M. Floyd is well-known throughout black college circles as the architect of the

MEACfans.com.

Together, Green, Rollin, and Hill have created a realistic experience, by inputting logos, color schemes, two-deep rosters, and statistics for their teams. So when you take control of a Madden BCF team, you set the lineup, you call the plays, you immerse yourself in college football action.

Green says that you can complete a game in about 45 minutes, and their roster files are offered free-of-charge to black college football enthusiasts.

However, while the three HBCU grads designed their game to appeal to serious gamers, and to touch youth of all ethnicities with an important message, "We want to have fun while doing it," said Green.

"An added bonus is that, for us alumni who happen to be PC gamers, it gives us an outlet or 'football fix' in the off-season, and adds an extra dimen-

sion during the season."

So, what's next for the three college football enthusiasts and their burgeoning effort to bring HBCU football to the masses?

"We are trying to get enough interest to start a league," said Green, "hopefully representing each team in the game."

At the website you can find out more about league play, check the screen shots (like the one of Slingin' Sammy getting harassed by a horde of Hornets), or download the roster files. Instructions are posted, as are links to the official websites of the schools represented by Madden BCF teams.

Again, the URL is <http://maddenbcf.meacfans.com/>

Otto Fad is a I-AA expert and columnist for The Sports Network. The story in its entirety can be read at SportsNetwork.com.

BCSP Notes

Make Your Travel Plans

Black college football fans can get ready for a new classic game this season in an exciting venue.

The first annual Silver Dollar Classic is set for Sept. 21 of this year in America's fun city, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Two-time SWAC champion Grambling State will take on Tennessee State at 7 p.m. at Sam Boyd Stadium in the inaugural game being put on by Robinson Entertainment of Ingleswood, Ca.

A Step Show, Battle of the Bands and Pre-Game Gala on Friday, Sept. 20 and a Career and College Expo Saturday serve as precursors to a great on-field match-up between two of the most legendary football programs in black college grid history.

Grambling, under former quarterback and NFL great Doug Williams, has reclaimed its place atop the black college grid rankings, posting a 10-1 record last year en route to taking its second SWAC and black college championship in a row.

Tennessee State, under third-year coach James Reese, finished 8-3 a year ago and distinguished itself by going undefeated against black college competition (wins over Jackson State, MEAC champion Florida A&M, Howard and Alabama A&M).

Did we mention the game's in Las Vegas?

Another Classic

Classic black college football returns to Columbus, Ohio on Oct. 5 when Morehouse and Kentucky State meet in the first Midwest Heritage Classic. Columbus Crew Stadium will be the venue for this SIAC match-up.

Morehouse is coming off its best season in years, an 8-2 mark that tied the Maroon Tigers for the SIAC title. Kentucky State struggled to a 3-7 finish last season under new coach, Donald Smith.

Classic Shuffle

It was announced recently that North Carolina A&T and North Carolina Central have shifted their Aggie-Eagle Classic from Raleigh to Charlotte.

The rivalry, which had drawn crowds of 40,000-plus to Raleigh's Carter-Finley Stadium, will be played this year on August 31 at Ericsson Stadium, home of the NFL's Carolina Panthers.

Increased rental costs for Carter-Finley spurred administrations of both schools to decide on the shift which they feel will also give their institutions

greater exposure in the Charlotte market.

Moving out of Charlotte to Atlanta is the South Carolina State vs. North Carolina A&T game, formerly billed as the Carolinas Classic. The game is set for Nov. 23 at the Georgia Dome and

will be the 2nd annual Peach State Classic.

Though the two played the game in Orangeburg last year, Charlotte had been the site for the previous six seasons. A&T met Jackson State in the inaugural PSC last season.

BCSP Tidbits

The crop of black college players likely to be selected in the April 20-21 NFL Draft is relatively small this year after setting a record for futility a year ago.

An all-time low of four black college players were picked last year, none in the first three rounds of the draft held on the first day of the two-event. It was the first time in 17 years a black college player was not selected in the first three rounds.

This season, Tuskegee defensive back Roosevelt Williams is the highest rated black college prospect on most draft boards. Williams is rated among the top ten cornerbacks and performed well at both the Senior Bowl in Mobile, AL, and the NFL Combine in Indianapolis. He is projected as a second or third round pick.

A group of others could be taken in the first day but more than likely will go in the early rounds of the second day. They include Grambling linebacker Robert Taylor, North Carolina A&T offensive lineman Qasim Mitchell, who at 6-5, 355, some say was the biggest player at the Combine, Alabama State offensive tackle Tango McCauley, Jackson State wide receiver Lawrence Story and Hampton defensive end Gregory Scott. A&T running back Maurice Hicks, the MEAC's offensive player of the year this season, is projected to go in the second day despite being limited in his ability to work out following knee surgery in December.

Southern wide receiver Devin Lewis, Winston-Salem State safety Stephen Kelly, Tennessee State offensive lineman Lawrence Smith and Tennessee State safety Eric Joyce are at the head of another group of prospects who should slip in to the later rounds.

A detailed breakdown of black college NFL draft prospects is scheduled for the BCSP next week.

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THRU 48	DIV	ALL	W	L	W	L
E. DIVISION						
Shaw	5	1	6	2		
Eliz. City State	4	2	10	8		
Bowie State	4	4	13	11		
Virginia Union	2	2	9	7		
Virginia State	1	3	2	15		
St. Paul's	0	4	2	10		
W. DIVISION						
W-Salem State	5	0	16	7		
J. C. Smith	3	2	11	3		
St. Augustine's	3	3	6	8		
N. C. Central	2	2	6	20		
Fayetteville State	2	4	12	13		
Livingstone	0	4	0	13		

CIAA LEADERS

BATTING	Turner, K. JCSU	.643
SLUG. PCT	Turner, K. JCSU	1.143
OB. PCT	Turner, K. JCSU	.684
RUNS	Boye, A. WSSU	36
HITS	Braxton, L. WSSU	35
RBIs	Braxton, L. WSSU	35
DOUBLES	Braxton, L. WSSU	10
HOME RUNS	Mays, R. FSU	4
K. Willis, VUU	4	
TOTAL BASES	Braxton, L. WSSU	54

MEAC MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

THRU 48	CONF	ALL	W	L	W	L
S. DIV.						
Bethune-Cookman	12	0	31	18		
Florida A&M	6	4	20	24		
NC A&T State	2	4	8	24		
SC State	2	4	10	14		
Norfolk State	1	11	3	23		
N. DIV.						
Delaware State	6	0	13	7		
Coppin State	8	2	11	19		
Hampton	5	4	15	11		
Maryland-E.S.	2	3	2	24		
Morgan State	1	3	6	17		
Howard	0	10	1	15		

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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SIAC SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

THRU 48	CONF	ALL	W	L	W	L
Kentucky State	15	0	18	3		
Albany State	0	0	0	0		
Tuskegee	0	0	0	0		
Fort Valley State	0	0	0	0		
Clark Atlanta	0	0	0	0		
Paine	0	0	0	0		
LeMoyne Owen	0	0	0	0		
Larie	0	0	0	0		
Miles	0	0	0	0		

NO OTHERS AVAILABLE

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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SWAC SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

THRU 48	DIV	ALL	W	L	W	L
E. DIVISION						
Jackson State	20	2	23	13		
Alabama A&M	17	2	19	14		
Alabama State	9	7	11	20		
Alcorn State	4					