

FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22-28, 2005

BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE



BCSP Photo
EVEN MATCH: RB Alonzo Coleman leads Hampton's potent rushing attack against Richmond's stout defense in I-AA playoffs

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ANTI-CLIMATIC CLASSICS IN HOUSTON AND MONTGOMERY; SMALL OUT AT A&T

2005 BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors)

SCORES

Table listing football scores for November 18, including Alabama A&M vs. Prairie View, Kentucky State vs. Tennessee State, and others.

CIAA

Table listing scores for C-IB, C-II, and C-III divisions of the CIAA conference.

MEAC

Table listing scores for the MEAC conference, including Hampton vs. SC State and Florida A&M vs. Bethune-Cookman.

SWAC

Table listing scores for the SWAC conference, including Alabama A&M vs. Alabama State and Alcorn State vs. Miss. Valley St.

INDEPENDENTS

Table listing scores for independent teams, including Langston vs. Texas College and Paul Quinn vs. Lincoln (Mo.).

Summary of weekly honors, including MEAC Players of the Week (Albert Chester, Sammy Doughty, Taurean Charles), SWAC Players of the Week (Jeremy McCoy, Tyler Knight, Mario Sanchez), and Independent Players of the Week (Langston, Texas College, Paul Quinn).

UNDER THE BANNER

NC A&T CANS SMALL: North Carolina A&T Director of Athletics, Dee Todd, announced Monday that head football coach George Small and his staff will not return to the Aggie sideline in 2006.



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SMALL: Out at A&T after three years of a four-year contract

Small, a 1979 A&T grad and former all-MEAC lineman and Aggie captain, took over the program in 2002 after the firing of 15-year head coach Bill Hayes. The Aggies, who had finished 4-8 overall and 2-6 and at the bottom of the MEAC standings in Hayes' final season, went on to post a 10-3 mark including winning the 2003 MEAC championship and representing the conference in the I-AA playoffs.

I-AA playoff game tops holiday schedule

11-0 Hampton gets No. 3 seed, hosts Richmond

Hampton completed the only undefeated season in NCAA Div. I-AA football Saturday with a 44-6 win over Savannah State and was awarded Sunday with one of the top seeds in the national playoffs. The two-time MEAC champ Pirates (11-0), received the MEAC's automatic bid and will host the University of Richmond (8-3), the Atlantic 10 co-champion, in the first round of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs this Saturday (Nov. 26) at Armstrong Stadium.

The Spiders give up just 115.8 rushing yards per game, second best in the A-10 and 18th best nationally. The RB duo will lead a Hampton offense that averages 33.2 points per game and a rushing attack that is eighth best in the nation at 251 yards per game.

GAMES THIS WEEK

Schedule for Thursday, Nov. 24 (Classics/TV Game) and Saturday, Nov. 26 (Classics/TV Game, Playoff Game).

LADY EAGLES FALL: The two-time defending CIAA volleyball champion North Carolina Central Lady Eagles came up short in their attempt to defeat No. 1 seed Lock Haven, losing 3-0 (30-14, 30-12, 30-25) on Lock Haven's home court for the second consecutive year in the NCAA Division II Atlantic Regional playoffs.

LADY RATTLERS TAB MALONE: Florida A&M has announced the appointment of Maicel Malone as the university's head women's track and field coach. A graduate of Arizona State University, who also enjoyed a supremely distinguished track career, Malone comes to FAMU after a lengthy stint as assistant women's track coach at Florida State University.

STITH GOING TO HULA BOWL: Three seasons ago, Walter Stith began his collegiate career as a 265-pound tight end at Western Michigan University. Now, he stands as a 6-foot-8, 320-pound National Football League prospect at N.C. A&T. Stith has been invited to play in the 60th annual Hula Bowl on Jan. 21, 2006 at Aloha Stadium in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Two-time MEAC runner-up South Carolina State, who finished 9-2 for the second consecutive year, was again left out of the playoffs. Hampton or Richmond will face the winner of the Furman-Nicholls State game in the quarterfinals. If Hampton wins the first round game over Richmond it would also host the quarterfinal game.

Richmond bounced back from a 1-3 start to win its final seven games and earn a share of the Atlantic 10 championship with No. 1 seed New Hampshire. The Spiders finished 7-1 in the A-10, including Saturday's 41-7 victory over William & Mary. The Pirates finished the season with a dominating performance in thrashing winless (0-11) Savannah State. In the game, senior RB Ardele Daniels rushed for 142 yards to join junior RB Alonzo Coleman topping the 1,000-yard mark for the second year in a row.

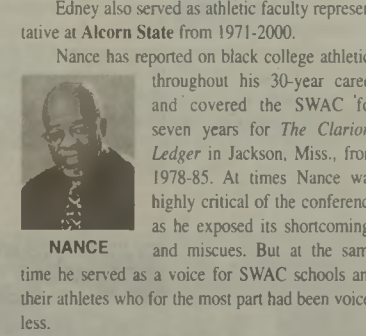
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SWAC Alumni Association to honor three

The SWAC Alumni Association will present its Lifetime Achievement Award to former Prairie View women's track coach Barbara Jacket, former SWAC president Dr. Norris Edney and USA TODAY reporter Roscoe Nance at its 6th annual Legends Reception at 6 p.m. Dec. 9, the day before the SWAC Football Championship game.

Jacket's track teams won eight NAIA outdoor championships and two indoor championships, eight SWAC cross country titles, nine SWAC indoor titles and five SWAC outdoor titles during her 26-year career from 1965-1991. Her teams also won titles in the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW) and the U.S. Track and Field Federation. Jacket was SWAC Coach of the Year 23 times and NAIA Coach of the Year five times.

Financial ruin. SWAC was facing three lawsuits and was \$130,000 in the red when he took office. He settled all three suits amicably, and the conference was \$1 million in the black when he left office.



Nance is credited with coming up with the nicknames "The Godfather" for former Alcorn State and Southern football coach Marino H. Casem and "The Gunslinger" for former Mississippi Valley State football coach Archie Cooley.

NC A&T to name court for Cal Irvin and Don Corbett

When any one thinks of N.C. A&T basketball, two names come to mind, former head men's basketball coaches Calvin "Cal" Irvin and Don Corbett.

Futrell would again figure in the next Eagles' score, this time from the QB position as he kept the ball on an option play and ran around right end on a 39-yard scoring run. Brandon Gilbert's PAT tied the score at 14, 9:53 before the half.

NCCU took its first lead of the game, 21-14, four-and-a-half minutes later after Warren hit WR Torey Ross with a four-yard TD pass. Just before the half, Gilbert had a chance to add to the lead but missed on a 32-yard field goal attempt.

The score held up as the teams exchanged punts in a scoreless third period. Freshman A. J. Milwee, who had spelled starter Vinnie Saylor in running situations, took over at QB early in the fourth quarter and led the Lions on a game-tying 8-play 79-yard drive culminating in RB DeMarcus Blount's 23-yard scoring run with 8:27 left.

Milwee then directed the game-winning 12-play, 72-yard drive that set Tanner up at the NCCU 20.

Fakuda's PAT put UNA up 14-7.

Futrell was in the Irvin system, served in the NBA as an official for 35 years. Irvin finished with a career record of 401-132, including a 308-105 record at N.C. A&T. His first CIAA championship came in 1958. Irvin's teams won CIAA titles in 1959, 1962, 1964, and 1967.

The 26 wins the Aggies totaled in 1958 under Irvin would still be a record today had it not been for Corbett. Corbett quickly rebuilt the program after an 8-19 first season in 1979-80. His recruiting class began a run that has been unparalleled in MEAC history. In that class was the first of three All-MEAC players to come out of Rochester, N.Y., Joe Binion.

Binion would go on to finish his career as the all-time leading scorer and rebounder in school history in leading the Aggies to four MEAC championships. Corbett won eight consecutive MEAC tournament titles and made seven consecutive NCAA tournament appearances and finished with a 249-133 record to rank second on the all-time victories list behind Irvin. He won 20 or more games in six different seasons, including a school best winning percentage of .897 (26-3) record in 1986-87.