

FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 15 THROUGH OCTOBER 21, 1996

BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL (Standings, Results and Weekly Honors)

BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE



A DEAL GONE BAD

RICHARDSON: Looks for revenge against Jackson State Saturday.

AN OPINION: NIXING OF ABC TV DEAL HURTS MUCH MORE THAN THE VIEWER

SCORES

Table of scores for various football games, including Alabama State vs. Clark Atlanta 28-0.

CIAA

CIAA conference standings table showing teams like Livingstone and Elizabeth City.

MEAC

MEAC conference standings table showing teams like Florida A&M and SC State.

SIAC

SIAC conference standings table showing teams like Clark Atlanta and Albany State.

SWAC

SWAC conference standings table showing teams like Alcorn State and Jackson State.

INDEPENDENTS

Independent team standings table showing teams like Langston and Central State.

CIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE: SHAWN GIBBS, Sr. (RB) - NC Central. Ran for 174 yards on 20 carries and scored three touchdowns as NC Central shut out WSSU 28-0.

DEFENSE

MARCUS BARBER, Sr. (DE) - Elizabeth City State. Had 14 tackles, six solos, eight assists, including seven for losses of 26 yards - four sacks for -21 yards and a forced fumble.

MEAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE: TED WHITE, Soph., (QB) - Howard. Hit on 13 of 20 passes for 384 yards and six touchdowns in 61-21 win over Bethune-Cookman.

DEFENSE

JOMO COUSINS, Soph., (DE) - Florida A&M. Had ten unassisted tackles including a sack and three other stops behind the line.

SIAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE: MICHAEL HOWARD, Sr. (QB) - Miles. Completed 22 of 38 passes for 325 yards and three touchdowns and rushed for 35 yards in loss to Fort Valley State.

DEFENSE

TONY HAIRSTON, Sr., (DT) - Alabama A&M. Recorded ten tackles, seven solos, five sacks for -26 yards and a sack for -11 yards.

SWAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE: CORY MACK, Sr. (TB) - Alabama State. Rushed for a career high 173 yards on 11 carries with two TD runs of 72 and 78 yards. Set school record for longest consecutive TD runs.

DEFENSE

TERRY HOUZA, Soph. (LB) - Mississippi Valley State. Had six tackles, one pass breakup and a 63-yard fumble return for a touchdown as MVSU beat Grambling.

BCSP PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE: FRED LANE, Jr., (RB) - Lane. Ran 17 times for 106 yards including a 66-yard TD gallop and caught three passes for 61 yards in win over Kentucky State.

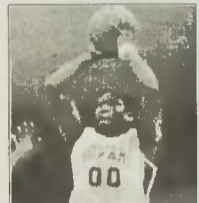
DEFENSE

CENTRAL STATE DEFENSIVE UNIT. In 22-0 shutout of Knoxville, the unit scored two safeties, one on a blocked punt, got a blocked punt for a TD and scored on a fumble return.

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

MID-DAY MADNESS: The Howard University women and men of Coppin State have both the top teams and players in the Mid Eastern Athletic Conference according to a preseason poll of coaches and sports information directors. The Lady Bison of Howard finished behind regular season title holder Florida A&M a year ago but won the conference tournament championship. They received all but one of the first place votes in the poll. Six-five center Denique Graves, a two-time All-MEAC selection, topped the all conference team voting. The Eagles of Coppin tied South Carolina State for the men's regular season crown but fell in the tournament final. They received 18 of 20 first place votes and will be led again by returning conference MVP, Terquinn Mott.



Graves: Expected to lead Lady Bison to MEAC title.

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POLL RESULTS: WOMEN: Howard (356), Florida A&M (280), NC A&T (256), Delaware State (200), Coppin State (199), Hampton (134), UMS (133), SC State (96), BCC (83) and Morgan State (81).

ALL-MEAC: Graves, Alisha Hill (Howard), Lisa Briggs (Coppin), Amanda Hayes (Howard), Daria Warfield (Morgan) MEN: Coppin State (356), SC State (278), NC A&T (256), Howard (200), BCC (183), Del State (148), Hampton (119), Morgan State (103), Florida A&M (97) and UMS (80).

BK CASH: Fayetteville State University's Demarco Jeter has been selected by Burger King Corporation as a "Scholar Athlete of the Week" recipient.

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CIAA HOOPS: The Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association will hold their annual preseason press conference Thursday, October 17 at the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Winston-Salem.

THE STAT CORNER

WHO ARE THE BEST PERFORMERS IN BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

BLACK COLLEGE OFFENSIVE LEADERS

Table of Black College Offensive Leaders showing passing stats for players like Grailyn Pratt and Ted White.

Table of Black College Offensive Leaders showing rushing stats for players like Kenny Bynum and Antonio Leroy.

Table of Black College Offensive Leaders showing receiving stats for players like Robert Wilson and Antwan Wyatt.

Source: Conference Reports and CMC Enterprises

McNair gets in!

Former Alcorn State QB Steve McNair, now of the Houston Oilers, got his first extensive action of the year Sunday. He replaced starting QB Chris Chandler in the third quarter and led the Oilers on a scoring drive that he capped with a ten-yard TD run.

Below are the final black college players on NFL opening day rosters

Table listing NFL players from Black colleges, including Dwayne White (Alcorn State), Alberto White (Texas Southern), and others.

Southern/Jackson St. lead key games

Jackson State (3-0, 5-0) puts its ten-game SWAC winning streak, 13-game overall victory streak and #5 national NCAA Div. I-AA ranking on the line on the road at Southern (2-1, 3-2). This game a year ago, won by JSU 16-14, determined the conference champ and kept Southern from an undefeated season.

Now that Florida A&M (3-0, 5-1) has escaped with three one-point conference wins in a row, the battle in the MEAC may be for second place and a Heritage Bowl berth. Two of the contenders will meet in Greensboro when North Carolina A&T (1-1, 4-1) faces Morgan State (1-1, 3-2).

In other key games, highly ranked (#9 NCAA Div. II) North Carolina Central (3-1, 6-1) travels to dangerous Central State (4-2). Arkansas Pine Bluff (4-3) attempts to extend Eddie Robinson's

GAMES THIS WEEK

Table of football games scheduled for the week of October 17-19, 1996, including matchups like Central Oklahoma vs. Langston and Alabama State vs. Alabama A&M.

Southern's decision hurts student athletes

For years, black colleges have fought battles both on and off the fields of sporting events vying for equity and parity in recruiting, financing, community support, and yes... the world of television.

Opinion KARIN ENGLISH

It is, in fact, the world of television that brings black colleges into the "real world" of sports marketing and elevates us to the status of existence, otherwise we, as a sports entity are nonexistent except that our young athletes, mostly young men, grace the screen as members of the National Basketball Association, the National Football League or as participants within conferences other than those which house black colleges as members.

But this is not about the world of television directly. Nor is it about these young athletes who know better where they are going than some of their elders. This is about the lack of leadership and the denial within our ranks of athletics that there are some things that we just don't know.

For years, black colleges have sought to be part of the big money game. For years, these same entities have suffered and unfortunately our young people have not been the beneficiaries of true rewards offered by and in the world of television through athletics - not because of the complexities involved in all media, and television specifically, but because black colleges have overlooked the value and importance of having experts with experience and who are intimate and familiar with the game called television or, in cases where expertise has been hired, the good sense to let the experts take care of business.

In fact, because of the same oversight, black colleges miss out on opportunities to tap into the magic of marketing across the board. My late grandmother always told me "opportunities missed are passed on to someone else." Well for each day that leadership fails to recognize and acknowledge the missing elements necessary, our young people suffer, chances get passed on to others and frankly, so does our future.

This is, however, about the depth of shortsightedness among the ranks of those with perceived power at our institutions. After years of solicitation, negotiation, interference, the continuous saga of miscommunication and turf wars - after years of massaging and yes, manipulating the major media players, who in most cases are personal friends and associates, a deal was finally struck to make black college sporting events, specifically football a continuing part of the college television football line-up.

Others came, but ABC Sports stepped up to the table, sat down and agreed to telecast no fewer than three games during the 1996 season with great potential for the future, at least through the beginning of the 21st century.

This is about men who are playing childhood games and who have no real intent of moving athletics at black colleges beyond the 21st century and into the 22nd or 23rd century. This is about a decision by one institution within the ranks of black colleges refusing to allow a game to be televised for some issues beyond reasonable comprehension and for other reasons that perhaps have no relevance to the subject matter.

Whatever the concerns, blocking student athletes from well-deserved opportunities smacks of a serious and deeply-rooted slave mentality. It is absolutely amazing that sporting events for black colleges can be compromised because of personal differences, ancient rifts and total disregard for contractual obligations.

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It is a sad day in the history of black college athletics when a stubborn decision stands to set athletics at black colleges back to the 18th century. It's a sad day when leadership is intimidated by the deal maker rather than focusing on the deal. It is truly a sad day when the very wish has been granted and no one knows what to do with such a grant.

This is an acknowledgment that sports is big business in this country and requires more than a nickel and dime mentality. It requires the very thing that we teach our students and athletes... endurance, patience, perseverance and skill.

My grandmother also taught me that there are more ways than one to skin a cat, and believe me I am looking.

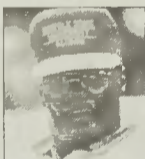
Karin English is the author of a package of three black college football games that were to be televised on ABC TV this year.

BCSP TOP TEN

- 1. JACKSON STATE (5-0) - Had week to prepare for... NEXT: Southern
2. FLORIDA A&M (5-1) - Three one-point MEAC wins is a charm. NEXT: at Delaware State
3. NORTH CAROLINA A&T (4-1) - Fell to FAMU hex. NEXT: hosting Morgan State
4. NC CENTRAL (6-1) - Rolled over Winston-Salem State. NEXT: off to Central State.
5. HOWARD (3-2) - A week's rest should help. NEXT: Bethune-Cookman in DC.
6. LANGSTON (4-1) - Had this week off. NEXT: E. Central Oklahoma
7. ALCORN STATE (4-3) - Helped Prairie View reach 64 straight losses. NEXT: Homecoming vs. Texas Southern.
8. HAMPTON (3-3) - Delaware State was welcome relief. NEXT: A much deserved week off.
9. LIVINGSTONE (5-1) - Handled the JC Smith challenge. NEXT: hosts Bowie State
10. VIRGINIA STATE (4-3) - No problem with Fayy. State. NEXT: Entertaining the Rams of WSSU
OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Southern, Albany State, Central State, Morgan State, Norfolk State, Arkansas-Pine Bluff

High school coaches making their mark

ROSCOE NANCE BCSP Correspondent



NSU Sports Photo MOORE: Cut his teeth in high school before jump to NSU.

Darrell Moore won two state championships and was 106-39-4 in 14 seasons at Woodrow Wilson High in Portsmouth, Va. He became an assistant coach at Norfolk State in '92 and was elevated to head coach in '94.

Moore's credentials did little to impress one Norfolk State assistant who had won a Super Bowl ring and told him he 'wouldn't win with that high school stuff he was running.'

That shows what he knew. Norfolk State was 7-3 in each of Moore's first two seasons, and the revolving door that saw the Spartans hire three coaches in three years was closed.

"The biggest difference was administrative duties," says Moore. "There are so many things to be taken care of. Everything comes through your hands. The first year I did everything myself because I wanted to make sure things were done exactly right.

If things were done wrong, I could only blame myself. After that first year, I began delegating things to my assistants." Moore attributes his collegiate success to having run his high school program like a college program. "The organization here is a little more in depth," he says. "Recruiting is the biggest difference in high school and college. But I've adjusted to that. During the years I spent as a high school coach, I paid attention to the techniques people used talking to my players. I noticed things you should and shouldn't say, things that appealed to kids. I learned it's just as important to sell the parents,

especially the mother. With them it's, 'Who's going to protect my baby.' You sell yourself as a guardian. The football things will fall into place."

With Abrams at the helm, Livingstone - a participant in the first black college football game - finally has something to cheer about.

Livingstone had his first winning record (5-4-1) in 10 years last season and began this season 4-1. The Bears have won as many games since Abrams took over in 1993 (13) as they did in the previous five seasons.

Abrams compiled an impressive record in 10 seasons at East Mecklenburg High in Charlotte, N.C. His teams won six conference titles and posted one undefeated season.

Arkansas-Pine Bluff's Hardman arguably has done the most impressive job of all the former high school coaches. He undeniably faced the biggest challenge.

He took over a program that had been shut down in 1991 for two seasons in the wake of NAIA rules violation.

He guided the Golden Lions to the 1994 NAIA championship game in just his second year, where the Golden Lions lost by a point, and was 20-14 entering this season.

Hardman is no stranger to winning. He won four state titles at Pine Bluff's Dollarway High. Dollarway was 63-1 from 1989-92 and had 14-0 records in 1989, '90 and '92. Dollarway had a 51-game winning streak snapped in the 1991 Class AA state championship game.