



LONE STAR CONFERENCE FOOTBALL

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LSC FOOTBALL

The fourth annual Lone Star Football Festival included Lone Star Conference wins by Midwestern State and Texas A&M-Commerce, while West Texas A&M picked up a non-conference victory. In addition, Angelo State defeated McMurry to improve to 2-0 overall and 1-0 in the LSC.

Four league match-ups are scheduled for this week including MSU at Tarleton State.

LSC football teams are 12-8 overall this season. The squads are 5-1 combined versus the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Great Lakes Valley Conference and Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference teams, which are also in NCAA Super Regional Four.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSIVE

Jake Glover, Midwestern State University, SR, QB, White Settlement, Texas, Brewer HS

Glover directed the Midwestern State offense to its second win of the season, defeating defending Lone Star Conference champion Eastern New Mexico 42-17 at the Lone Star Football Festival. Glover completed 12-of-22 passes for 303 yards and three touchdowns with no interceptions, posting the Mustangs first 300-yard passing performance since 2009 and 20th in school history. Glover directed the Mustangs to 433 yards of total offense in the victory, the third for MSU in the LSFF. Glover tossed the fourth and eighth longest passes in a collegiate game at AT&T Stadium with his 74-yard strike to Levi Wilson and 68-yard hookup with Statron Jones. He also had a 52-yard score to Jones.

DEFENSIVE

Tu'u Liu, Texas A&M University - Commerce, SR, LB, San Mateo, Calif., San Mateo HS

Liu was a major factor in the Lions 55-20 win over Texas A&M-Kingsville. The senior linebacker racked up two interceptions including one for a 35-yard touchdown return. It was the first defensive score for the Lions this season. With Kingsville driving, Liu's second interception not only halted the drive, but put the game out of reach, 31-13. The Lions held TAMUK to 289 yards.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Jeremy Alridge-Mitchell, West Texas A&M University, JR, PR/KR, Dallas, Texas, North Dallas HS

Alridge-Mitchell had a career day as he had two kick returns in his first start of the season for 125 yards and a touchdown, including a 93-yard kick return for a TD getting the Buffs on the board in the second quarter. WT rallied for a 27-19 victory over Shorter University, outscoring the Hawks 20-0 in the second half. Mitchell also had 29 carries for a career-high 118 yards rushing and one touchdown on the ground. He finished the day with 273 all-purpose yards.

OTHER TOP PERFORMERS

Anthony Johnson, West Texas A&M University, tallied his second straight 100-yard receiving game with 100 yards and one touchdown, including a 54-yard TD reception to bring WT within 19-17 in the third quarter of the LSC Football Festival game against Shorter. The Buffs battled back for a 27-19 win. Johnson is 35 receptions from breaking into the top 10 all-time and 359 yards receiving from the top-10 as well. He leads the team with 24 catches for 299 yards and two touchdowns.

E'lon Spight, Eastern New Mexico University, registered career highs with 30 carries for 142 yards against a tough Midwestern State defense at the LSC football festival. In addition to his 4.7 yards per carry average, his 31-yard touchdown gave the Hounds a 10-0 lead in the second quarter. Six of his runs resulted in ENMU first downs in the game.

Joe Bergeron, Texas A&M University - Commerce, pounded away at the Kingsville defense churning out his second 100-yard rushing game of the season finishing with 101 yards on 19 attempts. Bergeron racked up 130 yards of total offense adding 29 yards on four catches out of the back field in the Lions 55-20 route.

Kyle Washington, Angelo State University, led the Rams through the air going 14-of-16 for 137 and throwing two touchdowns in the 45-14 win over McMurry. The Humble native is leading the nation by completing 82-percent (41-of-50) of his passes on the season. The junior quarterback also carried the ball seven times for 36 yards while averaging 5.1 yards per carry.

Bubba Tandy, Tarleton State University, had a career day Saturday afternoon at the Lone Star Conference Football Festival as the Texan posted the best afternoon by any receiver in the league. Tandy tied a career high with seven receptions and set a new career best with 154 receiving yards to go along with a touchdown. This was Tandy's second career 10-yard receiving game. His touchdown came late in the first quarter when he blew past the Florida Tech defender and hauled in a 77-yard touchdown pass.

Marqui Christian, Midwestern State University, tied the AT&T collegiate stadium record in leading Midwestern State to a 42-17 victory over defending Lone Star Conference champion Eastern New Mexico 42-17, snapping the Greyhounds' eight-game winning streak. Christian tallied a career-high 18 tackles against the Hounds, the fourth-best performance in MSU history. It was the seventh double-digit tackle game of his career and his second such performance this season. Christian ranks fourth in NCAA Division II averaging 14.5 tackles per game.

Devin Figures, Tarleton State University, was making plays for the Tarleton State defense from the safety position against Florida Tech last Saturday at the LSC Football Festival. Figures, a senior safety from Jefferson, was second on the team with 13 total tackles but was the only player in the game – as well as the only player

FIRST DOWN

- Midwestern State is ranked 18th in the in the AFCA poll (Sept. 22), while Tarleton State and Texas A&M-Commerce are receiving votes.

STANDINGS

School	LSC	Overall	Streak
Angelo State	1-0	2-0	W2
Midwestern State	1-0	2-0	W2
Texas A&M-Commerce	1-0	2-1	W1
Tarleton State	1-0	1-1	L1
Eastern New Mexico	0-1	2-1	L1
McMurry	0-1	1-1	L1
Texas A&M-Kingsville	0-1	1-2	L1
West Texas A&M	0-1	1-2	W1

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 27, 2014

*A&M-Commerce at Eastern New Mexico, 3 p.m.

*Texas A&M-Kingsville at McMurry, 6 p.m.

*Midwestern State at Tarleton State, 7 p.m.

*West Texas A&M at Angelo State, 7 p.m.

All times are CST; * LSC game; ^ at AT&T Stadium

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

* A&M-Commerce 55, Tex. A&M-Kingsville 20

West Texas A&M 27, Shorter 19

* Angelo State 45, McMurry 14

* Midwestern State 42, Eastern N.M. 17

Florida Tech 37, Tarleton State 31

WEEKLY AWARDS

Offensive

S-8 Tyrik Rollison, Texas A&M-Commerce

S-15 Collin Strahan, Tarleton State

S-22 Jake Glover, Midwestern State

Defensive

S-8 Decorian Johnson, McMurry

S-15 Clayton Callicutt, Angelo State

S-22 Tu'u Liu, Texas A&M-Commerce

Special Teams

S-8 Anthony Washington, Texas A&M-Kingsville

S-15 Dominique Williams, Midwestern State

S-22 Jeremy Alridge-Mitchell, West Texas A&M



in the Lone Star Conference – to make 10 solo tackles this week. He also had a tackle behind the line of scrimmage for a two-yard loss.

Carter James, West Texas A&M University, had his third double-digit tackle game of the season as he tallied a career-high 18 total tackles with seven solo stops in the Buffs' first win of the season. James and the WT defense held Shorter University scoreless in the second half, outscoring it 20-0 after being down 19-7 at halftime. James tallied one sack as Shorter had not been sacked this season entering the game. WT sacked the Hawks five times. The Buff "D" held Shorter to just 236 yards of offense in the game and just 12 passing yards. James leads the team for the season with 47 total tackles and 22 solo stops along with 4.5 tackles for loss (leads team) and two sacks (leads team).

Julian Yearwood, Eastern New Mexico University, made six tackles against Midwestern State and was a key part of a defense which allowed just two third down conversions in nine attempts. Two of his tackles came on third down and forced Mustang punts.

Paul Mason, Angelo State University, intercepted a tipped McHugh pass 3-yards deep in the end zone and returned it 103-yards for a touchdown. It broke a 40-year old ASU record set in 1974 by James Cross of 102-yard return and matched the LSC mark held by 12 others. The Wichita Falls native made four total tackles and was one of three to intercept the War Hawks on Saturday night. The Rams limited McM to 309 yards and only 218 in the air.

Glenn Roberts, Tarleton State University, was the team leader in kickoff returns against Florida Tech at the LSC Football Festival. Roberts returned a team-high six kickoffs for 111 yards.

D'Maujerick Tucker, Eastern New Mexico University, had a pair of big kick returns at the Lone Star Conference Football Festival against Midwestern State. His 36-yard return in the fourth quarter set ENMU with strong field position. Tucker also rushed for 48 yards and a touchdown on nine carries.

Saul Martinez, Texas A&M University - Commerce, connected on both of his field goal attempts in the Lions 55-20 win over Texas A&M-Kingsville. Martinez made his first field goal at the 3:43 mark in the first quarter giving the Lions a 10-6 lead. His second was icing on the cake, as he connected on a career-long 43-yard boot with 8:19 showing on the clock in the fourth quarter for the Lions final points of the contest.

LSC NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

Angelo State

The Rams moved to 2-0 on the season and 1-0 in the LSC after a 45-14 win over McMurry ... Kyle Washington went 14-of-16 in the air and now leads the nation in completion percentage at 82.0 (41-of-50) ... Mason set a school record with a 103-yard interception return for a touchdown ... The Ram defense forced three interceptions in the game ... Donovan Thompson scored the first touchdown of his career on a 34-yard pass from Warren Truesdale ... ASU won its fifth-straight game dating back to 2013 ... The Rams are 27-18 in conference openers dating back to 1964 and are 2-2 under Will Wagner in conference openers.

Eastern New Mexico

The defending LSC co-champion Greyhounds saw their league-best eight game win streak snapped by Midwestern State, at the Lone Star Football Festival on Saturday. The streak was also ENMU's longest since a nine-game win streak to open the 1987 season. Eastern controlled the early going against the

Mustangs and held a 10-0 lead early in the second quarter, but a 55-yard interception return started a series of big plays from MSU, which turned the tide. The interception snapped a streak of 82 consecutive passes by quarterback Jeremy Buurma without an interception, which included five full games. E'lon Spight set career highs with 142 yards on 30 carries. This week, the Hounds host Texas A&M-Commerce on Homecoming Saturday.

McMurry

McMurry University's football team was haunted by its own miscues, battling Angelo State to the very end in a 45-14 loss at LeGrand Stadium at 1st Community Credit Union Field. On the evening, which was elongated with a weather delay of better than an hour in the first quarter, McM quarterback Matt McHugh was 21-of-36 for 205 yards and the pair of touchdowns to Charles Agugua (4 receptions/58 yards) and senior Jeret Smith (4 receptions/32 yards) on throws of 9 and 16 yards, respectively. Emmanuel Mulumba had six grabs for 60 yards and Chris Simpson caught four balls for 38 yards. Simpson also led all rushers with 57 yards on 11 carries. Defensively, Desmond Guy had a game-high 11 tackles. Linebackers Tyreace House and Josh Jones had eight tackles each, with lineman Calvin Middlebrooks making seven stops. The War Hawks' defense held ASU to 329 yards of total offense.

Midwestern State

Midwestern State is 2-0 overall and is 1-0 in Lone Star Conference play ... MSU's 42-17 win over Eastern New Mexico was the third win in four games at AT&T Stadium and the Lone Star Football Festival ... The Mustangs are ranked 18th in the AFCA Division II Coaches Poll, marking MSU's second straight week in the poll. It's also MSU's 34th ranking in the last 39 polls and 54th in the last 64...MSU has received at least one vote in the poll in 100 of the 101 polls... Prior to the game against ENMU, the Mustangs had a locker room visit from former Dallas Cowboy and Notre Dame great Raghbi "Rocket" Ismail, who also spoke to the team at their Welcome Back Dinner in August...Quarterback Jake Glover's 303 yards passing was the first time an MSU quarterback has thrown for better than 300 yards since Zack Eskridge threw for 356 yards at Eastern New Mexico on Oct. 31, 2009... With his 124 receiving yards, Levy Wilson became the first MSU receiver to post consecutive 100-yard games since Andy Tanner did the trick in 2009... Statron Jones led MSU with 127 receiving yards and two touchdowns...Both Wilson and Jones recorded their second 100-yard receiving games in their MSU careers. Wilson's first was last week against Missouri S&T, while Jones had 100 yards last season at Eastern New Mexico...It was the first time the Mustangs have had twin 100-yard receivers since DelJuan Lee and Mookie Davis each recorded the century mark at Northeastern State on Sept. 16, 2006...MSU came back from a double-digit deficits to win for the second straight week ... Seven of the Mustangs 47 plays went for 20 yards or more ... All but eight of the Mustangs 130 rushing yards came against the Hounds in the fourth quarter. ENMU was second in Division II allowing 24.5 yards a game rushing entering the contest ... Junior Dominique Rouse's 55-yard interception return came on his first play in a Midwestern State uniform ... the interception snapped ENMU's Jeremy Buurma's string of 82 passes without a pick, spanning five games ... the return was the ninth longest interception in school history ... The snare was the first interception return for a touchdown since Ricardo Riascos interception TD in the nationally-televised 65-14 win over Texas



AMERICAN FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION DIVISION II COACHES' POLL

September 22, 2014

#	Team (1st votes)	Rec.	Pts	Prev.
1.	Northwest Missouri St. (29)	3-0	773	1
2.	Colorado St.-Pueblo (2)	3-0	736	2
3.	Minnesota St.-Mankato	3-0	706	3
4.	Minnesota-Duluth	3-0	675	4
5.	North Alabama	2-0	622	5
6.	Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.)	3-0	603	6
7.	Henderson St. (Ark.)	3-0	582	7
8.	Pittsburg St. (Kan.)	3-0	567	8
9.	Ohio Dominican	3-0	507	9
10.	West Chester (Pa.)	3-0	479	10
11.	Shepherd (W.Va.)	3-0	470	11
12.	Delta St. (Miss.)	2-0	433	14
13.	Bloomsburg (Pa.)	3-0	392	15
14.	Ferris St. (Mich.)	3-0	384	16
15.	Winston-Salem St. (N.C.)	2-1	251	18
16.	Harding (Ark.)	2-0	227	20
17.	Colorado School of Mines	3-0	222	22
18.	Midwestern St. (Texas)	2-0	209	23
19.	Carson-Newman (Tenn.)	2-1	193	21
20.	Winona St. (Minn.)	3-0	151	24
21.	Valdosta St. (Ga.)	2-1	130	13
22.	Slippery Rock (Pa.)	3-0	129	25
23.	West Alabama	2-1	109	17
24.	Sioux Falls (S.D.)	3-0	96	NR
25.	Findlay (Ohio)	3-0	60	NR

Dropped Out: Tarleton St. (Texas) (12), St. Cloud State (Minn.) (19)

Others Receiving Votes: Central Oklahoma, 57; Tarleton St. (Texas), 53; Michigan Tech, 50; West Georgia, 45; Florida Tech, 39; Azusa Pacific (Calif.), 24; Concord (W.Va.), 22; Humboldt St. (Calif.), 14; Missouri Western St., 13; Texas A&M-Commerce, 12; Charleston (W.Va.), 8; Colorado Mesa, 7; Indianapolis (Ind.), 5; Ouachita Baptist (Ark.), 5; Wayne St. (Mich.), 4; American International (Mass.), 3; California (Pa.), 3; St. Joseph's (Ind.), 3; Catawba (N.C.), 2.

LSC IN 2014 AFCA RANKINGS

WEEK	ASU	ENMU	McM	MSU
AUG. 18	NR	RV	NR	RV
SEPT. 8	NR	NR	NR	RV
SEPT. 15	NR	RV	NR	23
SEPT. 22	NR	NR	NR	18

WEEK	TSU	A&M-C	TAMUK	WTAMU
AUG. 18	17	NR	NR	11
SEPT. 8	16	RV	NR	22
SEPT. 15	12	RV	NR	NR
SEPT. 22	RV	RV	NR	NR

A&M-Commerce at AT&T Stadium in the LSFF in 2012 ... MSU faces the other LSC Champion from 2013 on Saturday when it visits Stephenville to face Tarleton State, seeking the Mustangs first win over the Texans since 2011...

Tarleton State

Tarleton State dropped an offensive shootout to Florida Tech Saturday night at the LSC Football Festival. The No. 12 Texans and Panthers combined for over 1,100 yards of total offense as FIT edged Tarleton 37-31.

Texas A&M-Commerce

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West Texas A&M

The Buffs notched their first win of the season with a thrilling 27-19 come-from-behind win against Shorter at the LSC Football Festival Saturday afternoon... WT improved to 4-0 all-time in the LSC Football Festival...The Buffs, who have trailed by double-digits at halftime of the 2013 and 2014 LSC festivals have battled back to win both...WT has outscored the opposition 100-28 in the second half at the Festival in each of the four wins...The Buffs are the only team who is 4-0 in the Festival...Jeremy Alridge-Mitchell had a 93-yard kick return for a touchdown which was the first return since Nathan Slaughter returned one 100 yards on Sept. 21, 2013, against Texas A&M-Commerce which was exactly 364 days ago...Iosia Iosia blocked the opening extra point by Shorter for the first blocked PAT since LaPear Willrich blocked one in the playoffs at Ohio Dominican last season... Alridge-Mitchell ran for 118 yards on 29 carries for a career-high and one touchdown...It also was his second game of rushing for over 100 yards in his career...He also has one reception for 30 yards and two kick returns for 125 yards and 273 all-purpose yards...Senior wide receiver Anthony Johnson had his second game of over 100 yards receiving on six receptions for 100 yards and a score...Johnson is 35 catches away from the top-10 in school history and 359 receiving yards away from the top 10...Redshirt freshman Carter James had another outstanding game with a career-high 18 total tackles and seven solo stops with one sack and one tackle for loss...WT sacked Shorter five times in the game as SU hadn't been sacked in its previous two games this season... WT held Shorter to just 12 yards passing on 3 of 7 and forcing an interception...It was the first team WT had out-gained this season (309-236)...The Buffs were 6 of 13 on third down and held SU to 2 of 2.

2014 Composite Schedule

Thursday, September 04, 2014

East Texas Baptist at Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m.
West Texas A&M at Colorado State - Pueblo, 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 06, 2014

Humboldt State at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 7 p.m.
McMurry at Houston Baptist, 7 p.m.
Eastern New Mexico at New Mexico Highlands, TBD

Saturday, September 13, 2014

*Tarleton State at West Texas A&M, 6 p.m.
Western State at Angelo State, 6 p.m.
Texas A&M-Commerce at Stephen F. Austin, 6 p.m.
Adams State at Eastern New Mexico, 7 p.m.
Colorado Mesa at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 7 p.m.
Missouri S&T at Midwestern State, 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 20, 2014

*^Texas A&M-Kingsville vs. Texas A&M-Commerce, 10 a.m.
^Shorter vs. West Texas A&M, 1 p.m.
^Florida Tech vs. Tarleton State, 5 p.m.
*McMurry at Angelo State, 7 p.m.
*^Eastern New Mexico vs. Midwestern State, 8 p.m.

Saturday, September 27, 2014

*Texas A&M-Commerce at Eastern New Mexico, 3 p.m.
*Texas A&M-Kingsville at McMurry, 6 p.m.
*Midwestern State at Tarleton State, 7 p.m.
*West Texas A&M at Angelo State, 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 04, 2014

*McMurry at West Texas A&M, 3 p.m.
*Angelo State at Midwestern State, 7 p.m.
*Eastern New Mexico at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 7 p.m.
*Tarleton State at Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 11, 2014

*Eastern New Mexico at McMurry, 2 p.m.
*Midwestern State at West Texas A&M, 6 p.m.
*Texas A&M-Kingsville at Tarleton State, 7 p.m.
*Texas A&M-Commerce at Angelo State, 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 18, 2014

*Tarleton State at Eastern New Mexico, 6 p.m.
*West Texas A&M at Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m.
*Angelo State at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 7 p.m.
*McMurry at Midwestern State, 8 p.m.

Saturday, October 25, 2014

*Tarleton State at McMurry, 2 p.m.
*Texas A&M-Kingsville at West Texas A&M, 6 p.m.
*Eastern New Mexico at Angelo State, 7 p.m.
*Texas A&M-Commerce at Midwestern State, 7 p.m.

Saturday, November 01, 2014

*McMurry at Texas A&M-Commerce, 2 p.m.
*West Texas A&M at Eastern New Mexico, 6 p.m.
*Midwestern State at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 7 p.m.
*Angelo State at Tarleton State, 7 p.m.

Conference Playoffs

(NOTE: Seeds 1-8 determined on regular season results)

Saturday, November 08, 2014

Game #1: 4@1
Game #2: 3@2
Game #3: 8@5
Game #4: 7@6

Conference Playoffs

Saturday, November 15, 2014

Game #5 - Championship Game: Winner G1 vs. Winner G2 (hosted by higher seed)
Game #6 - Third-Place Game: Loser G1 vs. Loser G2 (hosted by higher seed)
Game #7 - Fifth-Place Game: Winner G3 vs. Winner G4 (hosted by higher seed)
Game #8 - Seventh-Place Game: Loser G3 vs. Loser G4 (hosted by higher seed)

Saturday, November 22, 2014

NCAA Division II First Round

Saturday, November 29, 2014

NCAA Division II Second Round

Saturday, December 6, 2014

NCAA Division II Quarterfinals
Heart of Texas Bowl (Copperas Cove, Texas), 7 p.m.

Saturday, December 13, 2014

NCAA Division II Semifinals

Saturday, December 20, 2013

NCAA Division II Championship (Kansas City, Kan.)

* denotes conference game; ^ at AT&T Stadium