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MAC Standings

	Conference						Overall					
	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A
WEST DIVISION												
Toledo	3	0	1.000	W3	2-0	1-0	4	3	.571	L1	3-1	1-2
Central Michigan	2	1	.667	W2	1-0	1-1	4	3	.571	W2	2-1	2-2
Northern Illinois	1	1	.500	L1	1-1	0-0	4	2	.667	L1	2-1	2-1
Western Michigan	1	1	.500	W1	0-1	1-0	3	3	.500	W1	1-1	2-2
Eastern Michigan	1	1	.500	W1	1-0	0-1	2	4	.333	W1	2-0	0-4
Ball State	0	2	.000	L2	0-1	0-1	1	5	.167	L5	1-2	0-3
EAST DIVISION												
	Conference						Overall					
	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A
Bowling Green	3	0	1.000	W3	1-0	2-0	5	2	.714	W3	3-0	2-2
Akron	2	0	1.000	W2	2-0	0-0	4	2	.667	W3	3-1	1-1
Buffalo	1	2	.333	L2	1-0	0-2	3	4	.429	L2	3-1	0-3
Ohio	1	2	.333	L2	0-1	1-1	3	4	.429	L2	2-1	1-3
Miami	1	2	.333	L1	1-0	0-2	1	6	.143	L1	1-2	0-4
UMass	1	2	.333	W1	0-1	1-1	1	6	.143	W1	0-3	1-3
Kent State	0	3	.000	L3	0-2	0-1	0	6	.000	L6	0-3	0-3

CENTRAL MICHIGAN SNAPS NIU'S HOME AND MAC WIN STREAKS

Central Michigan earned an impressive 34-17 road win at Northern Illinois on Saturday, snapping the Huskies 28-game consecutive home winning streak and the 24-game consecutive MAC regular season winning streak. Chippewas running back Thomas Rawls rushed for 270 yards and two touchdowns on 40 carries and quarterback Cooper Rush was an efficient 20-31 passing for 269 yards and two scores in the victory.

The last home loss for Northern Illinois came on Sept. 26, 2009 with a 34-31 loss to Idaho. Central Michigan was also the last MAC team to beat NIU at Huskie Stadium with a 33-30 OT win on Nov. 12, 2008.

Central Michigan also ended NIU's streak of 24 consecutive MAC regular season wins. The Chippewas were the last MAC team to beat NIU in the regular season when they defeated the Huskies 48-41 in Mount Pleasant on Oct. 1, 2011.

BRONCOS FRANKLIN LEADS NATION IN RUSH TDS & SCORING

Western Michigan true freshman running back Jarvion Franklin added another three rushing touchdowns and 161 yards on his 24 carries in a thrilling 42-38 come-from-behind win at Ball State. Franklin leads the nation in rushing touchdowns (15) and scoring (90 points).

In six games, Franklin has rushed for 843 yards on 141 carries for 15 touchdowns. Broncos RB Jarvion Franklin ranks in FBS:

- 1st in rushing touchdowns (15)
- 1st in scoring (90 points; 15.0 ppg)
- 6th in rushing yards per game (140.5 ypg)
- 6th in total rushing yards (843 yards)

MAC LEADS 'GROUP OF FIVE' WITH FOUR WINS VS. 'POWER FIVE'

The MAC leads the 'Group of Five' Conferences with four wins over 'Power Five' opponents this season. The MAC has wins over Northwestern, Purdue and Indiana from the Big Ten Conference and Pittsburgh from the ACC. Among the 'Group of Five' Conferences, the MAC and Mountain West Conference are tied with four wins over opponents from the 'Power Five' Conferences.

Among the 'Group of Five' Conferences, the Mountain West has four 'Power Five' wins over two Pac-12 (Colorado, Washington State) and two ACC (Wake Forest, Boston College) opponents. The American Athletic Conference has three 'Power Five' wins over two ACC opponents (Virginia Tech, North Carolina) and one SEC (Vanderbilt) program. The Sun Belt has one 'Power Five' victory (Wake Forest-ACC) and Conference USA has zero wins vs. 'Power Five' opponents.

MAC Storylines

• This Saturday, Oct. 18 features five conference games with Akron at Ohio; Western Michigan at Bowling Green; Eastern Michigan at UMass; Ball State at Central Michigan and Miami at NIU, while the only non-conference contest is Army at Kent State.

• Akron Head Coach Terry Bowden celebrated his 150th career head coaching victory as the Zips defeated Miami, 29-19. Akron has now won three consecutive games and are 4-2 overall, 2-0 in the MAC. The Zips are 2-0 in league play for the first time since 2007 and just the fourth time since the 1992 season. The last time Akron opened the season with a 4-2 overall record was 2000.

• Miami and Notre Dame announced the two schools will compete on Sept. 30, 2017 in South Bend, Ind. Miami and Notre Dame have played each other on just one other occasion, a contest the Fighting Irish won back in 1909.

• The MAC has four wins over 'Power Five' teams this year with wins vs. Northwestern, Purdue and Indiana from the Big Ten and Pitt (ACC). The MAC is tied with the Mountain West with four wins over teams from the 'Power Five' Conferences: MAC (4), Mountain West (4), American (3), Sun Belt (1), C-USA (0).

This Week's MAC Schedule

Saturday, October 18

- *Akron at Ohio, 2:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
 - *Western Michigan at Bowling Green, 2:00 pm ET (ESPN3/ESPN Game Plan/BCSN)
 - *Eastern Michigan at UMass, 3:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
 - Army at Kent State, 3:30 pm ET (ESPN3)
 - *Ball State at Central Michigan, 3:30 pm ET (ESPN3)
 - *Miami at Northern Illinois, 5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
- Bye Week: Buffalo, Toledo

Last Week's MAC Results

Eastern Michigan 37, Buffalo 27
Bowling Green 31, Ohio 13
Akron 29, Miami 19
UMass 40, Kent State 17
Western Michigan 42, Ball State 38
Iowa State 37, Toledo 30
Central Michigan 34, NIU 17

* Conference game



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MAC PART OF NEW COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF ERA

Beginning with the 2014-15 season, college football will enter a new four-team playoff era. Two College Football Playoff Semifinals will be played in bowl games this year (Sugar Bowl; Rose Bowl) and the College Football Playoff National Championship will be played in Arlington, Texas on Jan. 12.

The two Semifinals and four other premier bowl games (Orange Bowl; Cotton Bowl; Peach Bowl; Fiesta Bowl) will be played on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. The Semifinal games will rotate among these six different bowls. All MAC programs will join every FBS team in college football with equal access to the playoff based upon its performance. No team will qualify automatically.

The College Football Playoff Selection Committee will choose four teams for the playoffs based on body of work, strength of schedule, head-to-head results, comparison of results against common opponents, championships won and other factors. The highest ranked program by the Selection Committee from either the MAC, American Athletic, Conference USA, Mountain West or Sun Belt Conferences will play annually in one of the premier bowl games.

MAC AND ESPN ANNOUNCE HISTORIC 13-YEAR RIGHTS EXTENSION DEAL THROUGH 2016-27 SEASON

The MAC and ESPN announced on Aug. 19, 2014 a 13-year rights agreement that will be the largest and most extensive agreement in the 68-year history of the Conference. The extension, which adds provisions to the remaining three years of the original national rights agreement and adds an additional 10 years to the deal with ESPN, brings long-term security for the Conference through the 2026-27 academic year.

This agreement provides ESPN with exclusive television and digital distribution rights for all MAC sporting events, and guarantees coverage of every football game, and select men's and women's basketball and Olympic sporting events through the 2026-27 academic season.

The Marathon MAC Football Championship Game and the MAC football regular season is the foundation for the national deal with ESPN. The 2014 MAC football regular season will be highlighted by national coverage of 14 mid-week games during the month of November on ESPN2, ESPNU and ESPN3 as the Conference race unfolds in both the East and West divisions. The Marathon MAC Football Championship Game is Dec. 5 at 7 pm ET (ESPN2).

MAC STARTING QUARTERBACKS IN 2014

The 2014 season will witness significant change for the MAC and starting quarterbacks across the Conference. Over the last several years the MAC has witnessed some of the greatest quarterback play in the 68-year history of the league as the likes of NIU's Jordan Lynch, Ball State's Keith Wenning, Toledo's Terrance Owens and Ohio's Tyler Tettleton were able to anchor themselves among MAC career leaders in many statistical categories.

With the everchanging landscape of college football, the MAC will be looking to a new crop of young quarterbacks to continue the rich legacy of MAC quarterbacks play. As we enter league play, the MAC will have only two senior quarterbacks starting under center with Miami fifth-year transfer senior Andrew Hendrix, who came to Miami from Notre Dame along with new Miami Head Coach Chuck Martin, and Eastern Michigan's Rob Bolden. **The MAC will feature four juniors and seven sophomores starting at quarterback.**

MAC East Division

Akron - junior QB Kyle Pohl (Farmersville, Ohio)
BGSU - sophomore QB James Knapke (Fort Wayne, Ind.)
Buffalo - junior QB Joe Licata (Williamsville, N.Y.)
Kent State - sophomore QB Colin Reardon (Poland, Ohio)
Miami - senior QB Andrew Hendrix (Cincinnati, Ohio)
Ohio - junior QB Derrius Vick (Lincoln, Neb.)
Umass - graduate student QB Blake Frohnepfel (Stafford, Va.), a transfer from Marshall with two years of eligibility remaining. For this note, will be counted as a junior because of two years left of eligibility.

MAC West Division

Ball State - sophomore QB Ozzie Mann (Hartford City, Ind.)
CMU - sophomore QB Cooper Rush (Charlotte, Mich.)
EMU - senior QB Rob Bolden (Orchard Lake, Mich.)
NIU - sophomore QB Drew Hare (O'Fallon, Mo.)
Toledo - sophomore QB Logan Woodside (Frankfort, Ky.)
WMU - sophomore QB Zach Terrell (Fort Wayne, Ind.)

MAC Players of the Week

East Division



David Frazier, Offensive Player of the Week
Miami, Senior, Wide Receiver

Miami senior wide receiver David Frazier (Columbia, S.C.) recorded a career-high nine catches to go along with 132 yards and two touchdowns (matches a career-high) in a 29-19 loss at Akron. Frazier and the Miami offense torched the Zips for 352 yards through the air.



Brian Sutton, Defensive Player of the Week;
Bowling Green, Senior, Defensive Back

Bowling Green senior defensive back Brian Sutton (Fishers, Ind.) led a balanced defensive effort on Saturday, as the Falcons allowed just one offensive touchdown in a 31-13 win at Ohio. The 13 points were a season-low allowed by the Falcons, helped in part by two turnovers forced by the defense and four stops on fourth-down plays.



Robert Stein, Special Teams Player of the Week;
Akron, Junior, Kicker

Akron junior Robert Stein (Cincinnati, Ohio) converted two field goals and three PATs in a 29-19 win over Miami. Stein made his eighth and ninth consecutive field goals with a 28-yard score in the first quarter and a 46-yarder in the second quarter. He was also a perfect 3-for-3 in PATs and kicked off six times for a career-best 364 yards (60.7 avg.).

West Division



Thomas Rawls, Co-Offensive Player of the Week;
Central Michigan, Senior, Running Back

Central Michigan senior running back Thomas Rawls (Flint, Mich.) rushed for 270 yards on 40 carries and scored two touchdowns in a 34-17 road victory.



Reginald Bell, Co-Offensive Player of the Week;
Eastern Michigan, Freshman, Quarterback

Eastern Michigan freshman quarterback Reginald Bell Jr. (Los Angeles, Calif.) rushed for 202 yards and three touchdowns and threw for 144 yards and another score in a 37-27 win over Buffalo.



Anthony Zappone, Defensive Player of the Week
Eastern Michigan, Sophomore, Linebacker

Eastern Michigan sophomore linebacker Anthony Zappone (Westlake, Ohio) recorded a career-best 13 tackles in a 37-27 victory over Buffalo to go with a career high three tackles for loss. The redshirt-sophomore currently sits in a tie for first in the MAC in tackles for loss as he is averaging five a game. His 9.5 tackles per contest ranks seventh in the league among linebackers.



Jeremiah Detmer, Special Teams Player of the Week;
Toledo, Senior, Kicker

Toledo senior kicker Jeremiah Detmer (Hilliard, Ohio) converted three field goals in a 37-30 loss at Iowa State. Detmer booted a season high three field goals, connecting on a 27-yarder in the first quarter, a 29-yarder in the second and a 41-yarder in the fourth period. He was also credited with five touchdowns in six kickoffs. Detmer moved into second place in Toledo history with 60 career field goals.

Statistical Leaders (TOP 25) -- Where they rank Nationally in Bowl Subdivision (FBS)

Rushing Yards Per Game:

6th **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 141 att., 843 yds., 15 TD (140.5 av.)
10th **Anthone Taylor-Buffalo**: 183 att., 926 yds., 9 TDs (132.3 avg.)

Rushing Yards:

3rd **Anthone Taylor-Buffalo**: 926 yds., 183 att., 9 TDs
6th **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 843 yds., 141 att., 15 TDs

Rushing Touchdowns:

1st **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 15 TDs, 843 yds., 141 attempts
t-7th **Anthone Taylor-Buffalo**: 9 TDs, 926 yds., 183 attempts
t-11th **Travis Greene-Bowling Green**: 8 TDs, 590 yds., 112 attempts

All Purpose Yards

14th : **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 149.83 avg., 899 yards
t-23rd : **Anthone Taylor-Buffalo**: 139.84 avg., 974 yards

Total Passing Yards:

6th **Blake Frohnapfel-UMass**: 2,146 yds., 157-286 passing, 18 TDs
8th **Andrew Hendrix-Miami**: 2,131 yds., 142-290 passing, 17 TDs
11th **Joe Licata-Buffalo**: 1,892 yds., 158-242 passing, 18 TDs
15th **James Knapke-Bowling Green**: 1,819 yds., 159-269 passing, 10 TDs

Passing Yards Per Game:

14th **Blake Frohnapfel-UMass**: 2,146 yds., 157-286 passing, 18 TDs (306.6)
15th **Andrew Hendrix-Miami**: 2,131 yds., 142-290 passing, 17 TDs (304.4)

Passing Touchdowns:

6th **Blake Frohnapfel-UMass**: 18 TDs, 2,146 yds., 157-286 passing
t-7th **Joe Licata-Buffalo**: 18 TDs, 1,892 yds., 158-242 passing
t-9th **Andrew Hendrix-Miami**: 17 TDs, 2,131 yds., 142-290 passing

Passing Efficiency:

22nd **Zach Terrell-WMU**: 152.5 rating; 121-183 passing, 1,584 yards, 10 TDs
25th **Joe Licata-Buffalo**: 149.7 rating; 158-242 passing, 1,892 yards, 18 TDs

Receiving Yards Per Game:

13th **Corey Davis-Western Michigan**: 29 rec., 542 yds., 4 TDs, (108.4 avg.)
16th **David Frazier-Miami**: 40 rec., 707 yds., 4 TDs, (101.0 avg.)
17th **Tajae Sharpe-UMass**: 43 rec., 697 yds., 4 TDs, (99.6 avg.)
18th **Roger Lewis-Bowling Green**: 51 rec., 695 yds., 3 TDs, (99.3 avg.)
21th **Daniel Braverman-WMU**: 48 rec., 591 yds., 4 TDs, (98.5 avg.)

Total Receiving Yards

7th **David Frazier-Miami**: 707 yds., 40 rec., 4 TDs
8th **Tajae Sharpe-UMass**: 697 yds., 43 rec., 4 TDs
9th **Roger Lewis-Bowling Green**: 695 yds., 51 rec., 3 TDs
25th **Daniel Braverman-WMU**: 591 yds., 48 rec., 4 TDs

Receiving Touchdowns

t-10th **Alonzo Russell-Toledo**: 6 TDs
t-21st **Devon Hughes-Buffalo**: 5 TDs
t-21st **Ron Willoughby-Buffalo**: 5 TDs
t-21st **Rodney Mills-UMass**: 5 TDs

Receptions Per Game:

8th **Daniel Braverman-WMU**: 48 rec., 591 yds., 4 TDs, (8.0 per game)
15th **Roger Lewis-Bowling Green**: 51 rec., 695 yds., 3 TDs, (7.3 per game)
21st **Corey Jones-Toledo**: 48 rec., 535 yds., 2 TDs, (6.9 per game)

Scoring:

1st **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 90 points, (15.0 ppg)

Points Responsible For:

t-6th **Joe Licata-Buffalo**: 122 points
t-13th **Blake Frohnapfel-UMass**: 108 points
t-13th **Andrew Hendrix-Miami**: 108 points

Total Tackles:

3rd **Nate Holley-Kent State**: 80 tackles, 13.3 tackles per game
14th **Jovan Santos-Knox-UMass**: 76 tackles, 10.9 tackles per game
t-19th **Great Ibe-Eastern Michigan**: 63 tackles, 10.5 tackles per game

Interceptions:

t-14th **Quinten Rollins-Miami**: 4 interceptions, 0.6 per game

Sacks:

7th **Pat Connor-Eastern Michigan**: 6.5 sacks, 1.08 per game

Other Top Performers (WEEK SEVEN)

OFFENSE

• Toledo **WR Corey Jones** hauled in a career-high 12 passes for a game-best 118 yards, topping the century mark for the second-consecutive week, in a 37-30 loss at Iowa State. His 50-yard reception in the fourth quarter set up Toledo's final score.

• Western Michigan **RB Jarvion Franklin** had 24 carries for 161 yards and three touchdowns in a 42-38 win at Ball State. Franklin exploded for 120 yards and his three touchdowns, in the second half.

• UMass **RB Lorenzo Woodley** ran for 160 yards on 23 carries in a 40-17 win at Kent State. Woodley ran for 135 of his yards in the second half including all 80 yards of UMass final offensive touchdown drive in the fourth quarter.

• Akron **RB Jawon Chisholm** led the team with 102 yards and two touchdowns on 17 carries in a 29-19 win over Miami.

• Ball State **QB Jack Milas** in his first collegiate start passed for 326 yards and four touchdowns in a 42-38 loss to Western Michigan.

DEFENSE

• Akron **NT Cody Grice** had five tackles, one sack for a loss of four yards, 1.5 TFL for a loss of five yards, and the first fumble recovery of his career in a 29-19 win over Miami. Grice also saw action at fullback as he rushed twice for two yards each—one for first down, the second for his third touchdown on the season.

• Central Michigan **S Tony Annese** made seven tackles, one interception and two passes defended in a 34-17 win at Northern Illinois.

• Northern Illinois **DB Paris Logan** had seven tackles and two pass break-ups in a 34-17 loss to Central Michigan. Logan held Titus Davis to just four catches for 54 yards.

• Miami **DB Jarrell Jones** recorded seven tackles, two fumble recoveries and a pass breakup in a 29-19 loss at Akron. Jones and the Miami defense held Akron to just 318 total yards.

• Western Michigan **FS Justin Currie** collected a team-high 12 tackles in a 42-38 win at Ball State. Currie and the Broncos defense held Ball State to only seven points in the second half.

• UMass **LB Kassan Messiah** led with 10 tackles and a blocked field goal in a 40-17 win at Kent State. His 10 tackles were his third double-digit effort of the season, while the blocked field goal in the fourth quarter was the first of his career.

• Toledo **LB Ray Bush** led with a career-high 11 tackles in a 37-30 loss at Iowa State. Bush also tallied his first sack of the season in the second period and finished with 1.5 tackles for loss.

SPECIAL TEAMS

• Bowling Green **P Joe Davidson** punted eight times (47.8 avg.) with a long of 57 yards and four inside the 20 in a 31-13 win at Ohio.

• Northern Illinois **P Tyler Wedel** punted six times (42.3 avg.) in a 34-17 loss to Central Michigan. Three of his kicks were inside their 20-yard line and had a long punt of 53 yards. Wedel scored five points, hitting both of his PAT attempts and a 24-yard field goal.

• Western Michigan **P J. Schroeder** had five punts for 219 yards (43.8 avg.) with a long of 74 yards and two inside the 20 in a 42-38 win at Ball State.

• UMass **K/P Logan Laurent** in his first collegiate game hit a pair of field goals and four-of-five PATs in the 40-17 win at Kent State. Primarily a punter, Laurent jumped into the kicking role on Saturday hitting field goals from 31 yards and 22 yards out.

MAC Week Seven Quick Recaps:

Central Michigan 34, Northern Illinois 17 -- Another day at the office for Thomas Rawls. Not just another win for the Central Michigan football team.

Rawls rushed for 270 yards on 40 carries and scored two touchdowns Saturday leading the Chippewas to a 34-17 upset of MAC heavyweight Northern Illinois at Huskie Stadium. The win by Central Michigan snapped the Huskies' 28-game home winning streak and 24-game consecutive regular season MAC winning streak.

The win, CMU's second straight, lifted the Chippewas to 4-3, 2-1 in the MAC. It snapped the Huskies' 28-game home win streak, and their 24-game regular-season MAC win streak. Northern Illinois (4-2, 1-1) has won four consecutive MAC West titles and captured the league championship twice in that span.

As has been Rawls' pattern all season, he got stronger as the game progressed. He ran for 194 yards on 24 carries in the second half as the Chippewas salted the game away. Central Michigan held a near 2-to-1 advantage in time of possession and rolled up 30 first downs while holding NIU to 19.

Iowa State 37, Toledo 30 -- Toledo freshman running back Terry Swanson rushed for 124 yards and two touchdowns but it wasn't enough as Toledo lost at Iowa State, 37-30, on Saturday.

Toledo scored a touchdown with 56 seconds left when sophomore quarterback Logan Woodside's completed a four-yard shovel pass to sophomore Marc Remy. That cut the Iowa State lead to seven points and set up an on-side kick attempt by the Rockets, which ultimately was recovered by Iowa State.

Toledo's late rally came after a pair of Iowa State fourth-quarter touchdowns broke a 23-23 deadlock. The game was closely fought throughout. Iowa State held a slight 454-425 edge in total yardage. Neither team had a turnover. Woodside was 7-of-15 in the first half but came on strong in the final 30 minutes, finishing 22-of-36 for 189 yards.

Eastern Michigan 37, Buffalo 27 -- Behind 34 second-half points, Eastern Michigan was able to keep its record at The Factory untarnished with a 37-27 Homecoming victory over Buffalo on Saturday. With the win, the Eagles improve to 2-4 (1-1 MAC), while the Bulls fell to 3-4 (1-2 MAC).

The Eagles were led by a career day by redshirt-freshman quarterback Reginald Bell Jr. Bell threw 18-for-13 for 144 yards and one touchdown, but the Golden State native truly shone in his rushing. He led all players with 202 rushing yards and three touchdowns on the ground, including a pair of 70+ yarders. With touchdown runs of 71 and 72 yards, Bell became the first Eagle in school history to run for two 70+ yard touchdowns in one game. The last time an Eagle registered more than 200 yards rushing was Oct. 19, 2013, when Bronson Hill ran 257 yards against Ohio. The redshirt freshman is also the first Eastern quarterback to rush for over 200 yards; the previous high for a quarterback was Alex Gillett, who ran for 189 yards in a win over Ball State, Oct. 16, 2010.

Western Michigan 42, Ball State 38 -- Western Michigan outscored Ball State 28-7 in the second half, including 14-0 in the fourth quarter, and the Broncos authored a 42-38 comeback over the Cardinals at Scheumann Stadium on Saturday.

Western Michigan (3-3, 1-1 MAC) trailed Ball State (1-5, 0-2 MAC) by a 31-14 mark at the half, but the Broncos never stopped rowing and came out firing in the second half. The go-ahead score came with just 1:25 left in the game, when Daniel Braverman caught a swing pass from Zach Terrell and danced through tacklers for a 12-yard touchdown to go up 41-38. Andrew Haldeman nailed the extra point to set the score at 42 for the Broncos.

MAC Week Seven Quick Recaps:

Bowling Green 31, Ohio 13 -- Bowling Green raced out to an early two-touchdown lead before defeating Ohio, 31-13, at Peden Stadium on Saturday. With the win, the Falcons improve to 5-2 (3-0 MAC), while the Bobcats fall to 3-4 (1-2 MAC).

Redshirt-sophomore quarterback James Knapke completed 20-of-39 passes for 260 yards and two touchdowns. Redshirt-junior Travis Greene led all Falcon running backs with 50 yards on 10 rushes, and scored both a rushing and a receiving touchdown in the game. Fellow running back Andre Givens also rushed for a score on five carries. The receiving corp was led by freshman Roger Lewis, who caught six passes for a game-high 100 yards, while redshirt-junior Ryan Burbrink also contributed nicely with 77 yards and one touchdown over five receptions.

Four members of the Bowling Green defense – linebackers Gabe Martin and James Sanford, and defensive backs Nick Johnson and Brian Sutton – led Bowling Green with 11 tackles each. Defensive back Jude Adjei-Barimah, linebacker Paul Senn, defensive lineman Shannon Smith and defensive end Bryan Thomas all registered one sack apiece, while the tandem of Sanford and Martin combined for a key sack on a fourth down play to give the ball back to the Falcons offense at midfield in the third quarter.

The defense also forced 29 incomplete passes from quarterback JD Sprague, who was 27-of-56 overall on the afternoon.

Akron 29, Miami 19 -- Akron found the end zone twice in the second half while posting nine sacks on defense to down the Miami RedHawks, 29-19, on Saturday at InfoCision Stadium. Akron (4-2, 2-0 MAC) has won five-straight league games dating back to last season. The victory marked No. 150 in head coach Terry Bowden's career.

Akron was outgained by Miami, 412-318, but forced three turnovers and sacked RedHawk quarterback Andrew Hendrix nine times. Miami (1-6, 1-2 MAC) recorded just two sacks.

The Miami offense recorded 352 passing yards, paced by Hendrix who connected on 24-for-41 through the air. The Zips were held to just 167 in the air, however, key defensive plays helped Akron stop the RedHawk offense.

After connecting on 13-of-22 in the air for 103 yards, junior quarterback Kyle Pohl left late in the first half following a sack. Freshman Tommy Woodson took over as the signal caller and went 7-for-14 for 64 yards passing.

Senior RB Jawon Chisholm led the Zips offense on the ground with 102 yards rushing for two touchdowns, followed by running back Conor Hundley with 64 yards rushing and three receptions totaling 15 yards.

UMass 40, Kent State 17 -- A 17-point third quarter paved the way for UMass (1-6, 1-2 MAC) football's 40-17 win at Kent State (0-6, 0-3 MAC) on Saturday at Dix Stadium. Lorenzo Woodley rushed for 160 yards and a touchdown, while Blake Frohnapfel threw for 286 yards and three touchdowns. The win was the first for head coach Mark Whipple in his second tenure with the team.

Woodley's effort marked the second 100-yard rushing game of his career with 80 yards coming on the team's final offensive touchdown drive in the fourth quarter.

Frohnapfel, who has thrown 12 touchdowns in the last three games, hit nine different receivers during the game. Jalen Williams, Jean Sifrin and Matt Tuleja all had touchdown receptions. Alex Kenney led all receivers with five catches for 76 yards.

Special teams played a big part in the win as well with Logan Laurent going two-for-two on field goal attempts and Kassan Messiah blocking a field goal attempt in the fourth quarter. Messiah finished the game with a team-best 10 tackles.

MAC 2013 SEASON & BOWL NOTES

• Five MAC programs were invited to bowl games last season as Bowling Green (Little Caesars Pizza Bowl), Northern Illinois (San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl), Ball State (GoDaddy Bowl), Buffalo (Famous Idaho Potato Bowl) and Ohio (Beef 'O' Brady's St. Petersburg Bowl) represented the Conference during the 2013 bowl season.

• The five bowl invitations marks the sixth time in MAC history to have five or more teams receive a bowl invitation (2004, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013) in a single-season. The MAC record is seven bowl invitations, which was established in the 2012 bowl season.

• In the last three bowl seasons, the MAC has a record of 6-11 in 17 bowl games – 2013 (0-5); 2012 (2-5); 2011 (4-1) – as ten different programs have appeared in a bowl game in that span.

• In 2013, the MAC had three programs reach ten or more wins as MAC Champion Bowling Green (10-4, 7-1), Northern Illinois (12-2, 8-0) and Ball State (10-3, 7-1) all reached the ten win plateau. The MAC tied for third among FBS conferences with three teams with ten wins or more with the ACC, Big 12 and Conference USA, trailing only the SEC and Pac-12 with five teams with ten or more wins.

• Bowling Green won the 2013 Marathon MAC Football Championship with a 47-27 win over No. 14 ranked Northern Illinois on Dec. 6 at Ford Field. It marked the first championship for Bowling Green since the 1992 season. The Falcons had back-to-back MAC Championship seasons in 1991 and 1992.

• Northern Illinois (12-2) finished the 2013 season ranked No. 23 in the BCS Standings. The Huskies were ranked in all seven of the BCS regular season rankings starting on Oct. 20 and continuing each week during the season reaching their highest ranking of No. 14 prior to the Marathon MAC Football Championship Game against Bowling Green.

• The MAC had seven programs bowl eligible in 2013 -- Northern Illinois (12-2), Ball State (10-3), Bowling Green (10-4), Buffalo (8-5), Ohio (7-6), Toledo (7-5) and Central Michigan (6-6) -- to match the 2012 MAC record for most programs bowl eligible in a single season. Toledo and Central Michigan were not selected for a bowl game.

• Northern Illinois senior quarterback Jordan Lynch was one of six finalists invited to New York City for the Heisman Award Trophy presentation on Dec. 14. Lynch finished third in the Heisman Trophy voting, the highest ever for a MAC student-athlete. Lynch was just the third MAC student-athlete invited to the Heisman ceremony -- WR Randy Moss (Marshall, 1997) and QB Chad Pennington (Marshall, 1999).

• Northern Illinois has won four consecutive MAC West Division titles and appeared in the Marathon MAC Football Championship Game since 2010. From the East Division, there have been four different programs during this period -- Miami (2010); Ohio (2011); Kent State (2012) and Bowling Green (2013).

• Northern Illinois has witnessed the last four consecutive MAC Offensive Player of the Year -- as quarterback Jordan Lynch (2012; 2013), quarterback Chandler Harnish (2011) and running back Chad Spann (2010) have won the award.

MAC PROGRAMS IN BOWL GAMES

In the last three bowl seasons, ten different MAC programs have received a bowl invitation, as both Northern Illinois and Ohio lead the Conference with three invitations during this span. Ball State (2012, 2013), Bowling Green (2012, 2013) and Toledo (2011, 2012) each received two invitations in the last three years. Buffalo (2013), Central Michigan (2012), Kent State (2012), Western Michigan (2011) and former MAC-member Temple (2011) received one bowl invite during the last three bowl seasons.

MAC WITH FOUR NEW HEAD COACHES FOR 2014

The 2014 season will witness four new head football coaches. Bowling Green head football coach Dave Clawson was named the head coach at Wake Forest in December after five seasons at Bowling Green. Bowling Green named Dino Babers head coach on Dec. 18. Chuck Martin was introduced as Miami's head coach on Dec. 3, Eastern Michigan named Chris Creighton head coach on Dec. 11 and UMass named Mark Whipple as head coach on Jan. 14.

Bowling Green: Dino Babers

Babers comes to Bowling Green after serving as the head coach at Eastern Illinois for two seasons. He brings 30 years of coaching experience, including a 19-7 record as a head coach. This season, Babers led Eastern Illinois to a 12-2 record, a No. 2 national ranking, and a quarterfinal appearance in the FCS playoffs. Babers took a Panthers team which had finished in last place in the Ohio Valley Conference in 2011, and led them to a first-place finish in 2012 with a 6-1 league mark. Babers was named Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year in each of the past two years. During his two seasons at Eastern Illinois, Babers led the best offense in all of FCS. The Panthers led the nation in yards per game (589.5) and points per game (48.2) in 2013. Also, EIU averaged 372.4 yards per game passing and 217.1 yards per game rushing.

Miami: Chuck Martin

Martin spent the past four seasons at Notre Dame, serving as the offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach (2012-13) and defensive backs/recruiting coordinator (2010-11). Martin, who has more than 20 years of collegiate coaching experience, brings six years of head coaching experience to the RedHawk program. He has twice been named the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) National Coach of the Year, earning the honor in 2005 and 2006 at Grand Valley State, and has coached in seven national championship games in the past 13 seasons. In addition to his head coaching experience, Martin has served as a coordinator on both sides of the ball. Of those seven national championship game appearances, he has been a part of four national championship wins, with two titles under his direction as head coach/offensive coordinator and one as a defensive coordinator.

Eastern Michigan: Chris Creighton

Creighton joins Eastern Michigan after serving as head football coach at Drake for the past six years. Creighton built Drake into a consistent power in the Pioneer Football League, sharing the conference crown during the 2011 and 2012 campaigns. During his 17-year head coaching career, he has accumulated eight conference titles and an all-time record of 139-46 (.764). Creighton departs Drake with the highest winning percentage in school history (.667) after also posting 63 wins as the head coach at Wabash College and 32 at Ottawa University. In his time at Drake, Creighton boasted a 30-5 home record and a 21-2 home conference record going undefeated against five conference opponents. Drake had an 11-game home win streak during Creighton's tenure as well as winning 16-straight home conference games with him at the helm.

UMass: Mark Whipple

Mark Whipple was officially named the team's head coach on January 14, 2014. In his first stint from 1998-2003, Whipple led the Minutemen to new heights by winning the NCAA I-AA National Championship in his first season and making two other postseason appearances in the following five years. A 31-year coaching veteran of the collegiate and professional levels, Whipple is widely regarded for his prowess as an offensive coordinator and his ability to develop quarterbacks. He helped Ben Roethlisberger of the NFL's Pittsburgh Steelers win a Super Bowl in his second year, built the University of Miami's 2009 and 2010 offenses into two of its best all-time, and his teams set 40 offensive records while at UMass.

MAC 2013-14 BOWL RESULTS

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl: San Diego State 49, Buffalo 24
Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl: East Carolina 37, Ohio 20
Little Caesars Pizza Bowl: Pittsburgh 30, Bowling Green 27
San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl: Utah State 21, Northern Illinois 14
GoDaddy Bowl: Arkansas State 23, Ball State 20

OHIO'S SOLICH MOVING UP MAC CAREER WINS LIST

Ohio head coach Frank Solich has been the recent model for consistency in coaching in the MAC. Solich arrived in Athens, Ohio in 2005 and during his nine seasons running the Bobcats program has garnered a bowl appearance in six of his nine seasons. During his coaching career at Ohio, Solich has a record of 69-52 and his 69 wins ranks sixth most in MAC history.

Most MAC Head Coaching Wins, Career

1. 110, Herb Deromedi, Central Michigan, 1978-93
2. 108, Bill Hess, Ohio, 1958-77
3. 79, Bob Pruett, Marshall, 1997-03
4. 77, Doyt Perry, Bowling Green, 1955-64
5. 73, Gary Pinkel, Toledo, 1991-00
6. **69, Frank Solich, Ohio, 2005-present**
7. 66, Trevor Rees, Kent State, 1951-63
8. 64, Bill Mallory, Miami, 1969-73; Northern Illinois, 1980-83
9. 62, Al Molde, Western Michigan, 1987-96
- 62, Joe Novak, Northern Illinois, 1997-2007

HUSKIES SET MAC CONSECUTIVE BOWL RECORD

Northern Illinois has set the MAC record for consecutive bowl appearances by a member of the Conference. The Huskies current six consecutive bowl appearances is the best-ever in the 67-year history of the MAC. Beyond appearing in six consecutive bowl games, the Huskies will have done so with four different head coaches-- Jerry Kill (2008, 2009), interim Tom Matukewicz (2010), Dave Doeren (2011) and current Head Coach Rod Carey (2012, 2013).

Right behind Northern Illinois is Ohio and head coach Frank Solich, who has led Ohio to five consecutive bowl appearances.

Six (6) Northern Illinois Consecutive Bowl Appearances:

- 2008: Independence Bowl: 17-10 loss to Louisiana Tech
- 2009: International Bowl: 27-3 loss to South Florida
- 2010: Humanitarian Bowl: 40-17 win over Fresno State
- 2011: GoDaddy.com Bowl: 38-20 win over Arkansas State
- 2012: Discover Orange Bowl: 31-10 loss to Florida State
- 2013: San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl: 21-14 loss to Utah State

Five (5) Ohio Consecutive Bowl Appearances:

- 2009: Little Caesars Pizza Bowl: 21-17 loss to Marshall
- 2010: R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl: 48-21 loss to Troy
- 2011: Famous Idaho Potato Bowl: 24-23 win over Utah State
- 2012: Advocare V100 Independence Bowl: 45-14 win over Louisiana-Monroe
- 2013: Beef 'O' Brady's St. Petersburg Bowl: 37-20 loss to East Carolina.

FALCONS WIN 2013 MARATHON MAC CHAMPIONSHIP

Bowling Green rolled up nearly 600 yards of total offense to win the Marathon MAC Championship and defeated No. 14 Northern Illinois, 47-27, to capture the school's first league crown in 21 years, since the 1992 season. Sophomore quarterback Matt Johnson threw for 393 yards and five touchdowns, setting career bests in both categories.

Senior tight end Alex Bayer caught seven passes for 124 yards and one touchdown, while receiver Ronnie Moore had 145 yards receiving on four catches and one score and running back Travis Greene rushed for 133 yards and capped the win with a fourth quarter rushing touchdown.

Each team scored on its opening drive of the night, but the Falcons then took a 17-7 lead and never trailed thereafter. The Falcons led by a 31-13 count at the half, and Northern Illinois could not draw closer than 11 points in the second period.

RAYCOM MEDIA CAMELLIA BOWL TO BEGIN IN 2014

Last fall the MAC announced the creation of the Raycom Media Camellia Bowl, a newly created bowl game to begin in 2014, which will be based in Montgomery, Alabama, owned and operated by ESPN. The Raycom Media Camellia Bowl will feature a MAC program to face a member of the Sun Belt Conference for the next six consecutive seasons (2014-2019).

MAC ANNOUNCES CREATION OF BOCA RATON, BAHAMAS AND MIAMI BEACH BOWLS; PRIMARY BOWL PARTNERS INCREASE TO FIVE BOWL GAMES IN 2014

The MAC announced the creation of newly created bowl games in Boca Raton, Fla., Nassau, Bahamas and Miami Beach, Fla. for a six-year period (2014-2019).

The MAC is a partner with the San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl as a primary partner in 2017 and 2019, and a secondary partner in 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2018 bowl seasons. The MAC will play the Mountain West in both the 2017 and 2019 bowl seasons, played at Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego.

The creation of the Boca Raton, Popeyes Bahamas and Miami Beach Bowls is the centerpiece of a joint agreement between FBS conferences and will be supported by several FBS conferences on a six-year rotating basis. Starting in the 2014 season, the MAC will have a minimum five guaranteed bowl opportunities.

MAC Primary Bowl Partners 2014-19:**2014 Bowl Season:**

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. Conference USA)
- Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. Conference USA)
- *Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

2015 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)
- Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. Conference USA)
- *Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

2016 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. American Ath.)
- Miami Beach Bowl (Miami, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)
- *Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

2017 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Popeyes Bahamas Bowl (Nassau, Bahamas; vs. Sun Belt)
- San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl (San Diego, Calif.; vs. Mountain West)

2018 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. Conference USA)
- Miami Beach Bowl (Miami, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)
- *Secondary in San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl

2019 Bowl Season:

- GoDaddy Bowl (Mobile, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Famous Idaho Potato Bowl (Boise, Ida.; vs. Mountain West)
- Raycom Media Camellia Bowl (Montgomery, Ala.; vs. Sun Belt)
- Boca Raton Bowl (Boca Raton, Fla.; vs. American Athletic)
- San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl (San Diego, Calif.; vs. Mountain West)

MAC 2014 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

The 2014 football schedule will feature 14 midweek nationally televised games during the month of November on ESPN2, ESPN or ESPN3 as the conference race unfolds in both the East and West divisions.

The regular season will conclude with the 17th Marathon MAC Football Championship game on Friday, Dec. 5 at Ford Field in Detroit on ESPN2. This will mark the 11th Marathon MAC Football Championship game at Ford Field.

For the seventh year in a row, league schools will face a formidable non-conference slate of opponents from the following Football Bowl Subdivision conferences – ACC, Big Ten, Big 12, Pac-12 and SEC. In addition, the conference will also face opponents from the American Athletic Conference, Conference USA, Mountain West Conference, Sun Belt Conference and Independent Army.

MAC programs will face six non-conference foes that finished in the final AP Top 25 poll: Michigan State (3), Missouri (5), Ohio State (12), Baylor (13), Wisconsin (22) and Vanderbilt (24). Two of these six games will be home games for MAC programs – Missouri at Toledo (Sept. 6) and Baylor at Buffalo (Sept. 12).

A total of 11 non-conference games will feature a Big Ten opponent (Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Michigan State, Northwestern, Ohio State, Penn State (2), Purdue (2) and Wisconsin). The MAC will face foes from the ACC (5—Boston College, Pittsburgh, Syracuse, Virginia, Virginia Tech), SEC (5—Arkansas, Florida, Kentucky, Missouri, Vanderbilt), Big 12 (3—Baylor, Iowa State, Kansas) and Pac-12 (1—Colorado).

The MAC will also face opponents from the American Athletic Conference (2—Cincinnati (2)), Mountain West (1—UNLV), Conference USA (4—Marshall (3), Western Kentucky) and Sun Belt Conference (3—Idaho (2), South Alabama), along with Independent Army (3).

MAC programs continue to increase the number of home or neutral site games against FBS Automatic Qualifying (AQ) Conference opponents. This season the MAC will host 11 games against FBS non-conference foes, including Baylor (Big-12), Boston College (ACC), Colorado (Pac-12), Indiana (Big Ten), Missouri (SEC) and Syracuse (ACC).

MAC Home Games vs. FBS Non-Conference opponents:

- Boston College (ACC) at UMass on Aug. 30 (30-7 loss);
- Marshall (Conference USA) at Miami on Aug. 30 (42-27 loss);
- Missouri (SEC) at Toledo on Sept. 6 (49-24 loss);
- Colorado (PAC-12) at UMass on Sept. 6 (41-38 loss);
- South Alabama (Sun Belt) at Kent State on Sept. 6 (23-13 loss);
- Baylor (Big-12) at Buffalo on Sept. 12 (63-21 loss);
- Syracuse (ACC) at Central Michigan on Sept. 13 (40-3 loss);
- Indiana (Big Ten) at Bowling Green on Sept. 13 (45-42 win);
- Idaho (Sun Belt) at Ohio on Sept. 20 (36-24 win);
- Marshall (Conference USA) at Akron on Sept. 20 (48-17 loss);
- Army (Independent) at Kent State on Oct. 18.

FLECK YOUNGEST HEAD COACH IN THE NATION

For the second consecutive year, Western Michigan's P.J. Fleck, 33, is the youngest head coach in NCAA Division I (FBS). Previously, Toledo's Matt Campbell, 34, and in his third year at the helm of the Rockets program had the claim as the youngest head coach in FBS.

Coach	Age (Date of Birth)
P.J. Fleck, Western Michigan	33 (11-29-80)
Matt Campbell, Toledo	34 (11-29-79)
Kliff Klingsbury, Texas Tech	35 (8-9-79)
Bryan Harsin, Arkansas State	37 (11-1-76)
Justin Fuente, Memphis	37 (9-30-76)
Matt Rhule, Temple	39 (1-31-75)

WINS OVER NON-CONFERENCE FBS OPPONENTS

In 2013, the MAC had ten wins vs. FBS opponents. The MAC set the conference single season record with 16 wins over FBS non-conference opponents during the 2012 season. Dating back to the 2000 season, the previous mark for MAC's number of wins vs. FBS opponents was 14 regular season wins in the 2008 season.

Regular Season Wins vs. non-conference FBS opponents:

Year: Wins; FBS Opponents Defeated:

2014: 7; Purdue; Northwestern; Indiana; Idaho (2); UNLV, Pitt;
2013: 10; Iowa; Purdue; Virginia; UConn; Tulsa; Marshall; Army; North Texas; Idaho; Navy
2012: 16; Penn State; Wyoming; Idaho; New Mexico St.; Army (4); UConn; Marshall; Indiana; Iowa; South Florida; Kansas; Cincinnati; Rutgers
2011: 10; Indiana; Army (4); UConn; Idaho; New Mexico State; Marshall; Maryland
2010: 7; Minnesota; Purdue; Marshall; Colorado State; UConn; Army; Louisiana-Lafayette
2009: 9; Michigan State; Purdue; Colorado; Florida International; Troy; UTEP; North Texas; Army; Navy
2008: 14; Navy; Indiana (2); Western Kentucky; Michigan; Idaho; Illinois; Syracuse; Army (3); Pittsburgh; Wyoming; UTEP
2007: 10; Navy; Army (2); Idaho; Iowa State (2); Iowa; Minnesota; Syracuse; La-Lafayette
2006: 11; Temple (5); Kansas; Virginia; North Carolina State; North Texas; FIU; Illinois
2005: 9; Army; Louisiana-Lafayette; Temple (4); Pittsburgh; Middle Tennessee State; Cincinnati
2004: 3; Temple (2); Kentucky
2003: 9; Kansas State; Northwestern; Colorado State; Cincinnati; Purdue; Maryland; Alabama; Iowa State; Pittsburgh
2002: 10; Rutgers; Troy; North Carolina; Cincinnati; UConn; Missouri; Kansas; Wyoming; Wake Forest; UNLV
2001: 11; UConn (2); Army; Cincinnati; Missouri; Temple (2); Minnesota; Northwestern; South Florida; Navy
2000: 9; Central Florida (2); Vanderbilt; Minnesota; UConn (2); Navy; Penn State; Iowa

MAC HEAD COACHES IN HIGH DEMAND

Football programs continue to take notice of MAC head coaches. Last December, Bowling Green head coach Dave Clawson led the Falcons to the 2013 Marathon MAC Football Championship and one week later Clawson was named the head coach at Wake Forest. Clawson replaces Jim Grobe as head coach at Wake Forest and ironically Grobe previously coached at Ohio University.

Clawson joined the lengthy list of former MAC head coaches currently at head coaching positions within FBS. In 2012, both coaches from the Marathon MAC Football Championship game received new opportunities. Former Northern Illinois head coach Dave Doeren was named head coach at North Carolina State and former Kent State head coach Darrell Hazell was named head coach at Purdue.

There are 13 former head coaches from the MAC in a current FBS head coaching position—including nearly half of the Big Ten (five total) and both coaches from the 2013 BCS Championship Game – Alabama's Nick Saban (Toledo) and Notre Dame's Brian Kelly (Central Michigan).

For the 2014 season, 26 of the 126 FBS coaches (21%) will be either current or former MAC head coaches.

Big Ten – Urban Meyer-Ohio State (Bowling Green), Brady Hoke-Michigan (Ball State), Jerry Kill-Minnesota (Northern Illinois), Tim Beckman-Illinois (Toledo), Darrell Hazell-Purdue (Kent State)

Ind. – Brian Kelly-Notre Dame (Central Michigan)

SEC-Nick Saban-Alabama (Toledo), Gary Pinkel-Missouri (Toledo), Butch Jones-Tennessee (Central Michigan)

ACC-Al Golden-Miami (Temple), Steve Addazio-Boston College (Temple), Dave Doeren-NC State (Northern Illinois), Dave Clawson-Wake Forest (Bowling Green).

Akron (4-2, 2-0 MAC) at Ohio (3-4, 1-2 MAC)
 Saturday, October 18, 2014 • 2:00 pm ET • Athens, Ohio • Peden Stadium (24,000)
 ESPN3
 Series: Ohio leads 17-12-1



Head Coach: Terry Bowden
 Career: 150-82-2 (21st year) at Akron: 10-20 (3rd year)
 Football Contact: Cathy Bongiovi, 330-972-6106, cbongiovi@akron.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Conor Hundley (49 att., 316 rushing yds., 1 TD)
 Pass: QB Kyle Pohl (119-210 passing, 1,289 yards, 7 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Zach D'Orazio (30 rec., 333 yds., 0 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Jatavis Brown (50 tackles, 7.5 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
 Sacks: DL Nordly Capi (18 tackles, 7.5 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
 Int.: DB Kris Givens (21 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Akron beat Miami, 29-19...RB Jawon Chisholm led the rushing efforts with 102 yards and two touchdowns on 17 carries...QB Kyle Pohl finished 13-of-2 for 103 yards in the first half and left the game with an injury on the last play of the second quarter and did not return...Redshirt freshman QB Tommy Woodson played the entire second half and went 7-of-14 for 64 yards.



Head Coach: Frank Solich
 Career: 127-71 (16th year) at Ohio: 69-52 (10th year)
 Football Contact: Sara Legarsky, 740-597-1837, legarsky@ohio.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB A.J. Ouellette (65 att., 333 rushing yds., 4 TDs)
 Pass: QB JD Sprague (74-151 passing, 910 yds., 1 TD)
 Rec.: WR Sebastian Smith (21 rec., 242 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Quentin Poling (53 tackles, 4.5 tfl, 3.0 sacks, 3 INT)
 Sacks: LB Quentin Poling (53 tackles, 4.5 tfl, 3.0 sacks, 3 INT)
 Int.: LB Quentin Poling (53 tackles, 4.5 tfl, 3.0 sacks, 3 INT)

Notes: Bobcats lost 31-13 to Bowling Green...Ohio offense tallied a school-record 110 plays as the previous record was 104 plays in 1968...QBs JD Sprague and Greg Windham combined for 64 total pass attempts, which ranks second in Ohio history...Sprague tallied a career-high 325 passing yards, a career-high 27 completions and a career-high 56 attempts.

Western Michigan (3-3, 1-1 MAC) at Bowling Green (5-2, 3-0 MAC)
 Saturday, October 18, 2014 • 2:00 pm ET • Bowling Green, Ohio • Doyt L. Perry Stadium (24,000)
 ESPN3/ESPN Game Plan/BCSN
 Series: Bowling Green leads 31-17-3



Head Coach: P.J. Fleck
 Career: 4-14 (2nd year) at Western Michigan: 4-14 (2nd year)
 Football Contact: Adam Bodnar, 269-387-4122, adam.e.bodnar@wmich.edu

Offense: (top returnees listed)
 Rush: RB Jarvion Franklin (141 att., 843 yards, 15 TDs)
 Pass: QB Zach Terrell (121-183 passing, 1,584 yds., 10 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Daniel Braverman (48 rec., 591 yds., 4 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Grant DePalma (55 tackles, 4.5 tfl)
 Sacks: DT Cleveland Smith (14 tackles, 5.5 tfl, 3.5 sacks)
 Int.: DB Ronald Zamort (9 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Western Michigan won at Ball State 42-38...Western Michigan outscored Ball State 28-7 in the second half, including 14-0 in the fourth quarter, for a 42-38 comeback victory...RB Jarvion Franklin rushed for 161 yards and three touchdowns...WR Daniel Braverman had a team-high 10 catches for 96 yards and two scores, while Corey Davis had six receptions for a team-high 154 yards.



Head Coach: Dino Babers
 Career: 24-9 (3rd year) at Bowling Green: 5-2 (1st year)
 Football Contact: Scott Swegan, 419-372-7105, swegans@bgsu.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Travis Greene (112 att., 590 rushing yds., 8 TDs)
 Pass: QB James Knapke (159-269 passing, 1,819 yards, 10 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Roger Lewis (51 rec., 696 yds., 3 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: DB Brian Sutton (59 tackles, 4.5 tfl)
 Sacks: DL Bryan Thomas (17 tackles, 6.5 tfl, 4.5 sacks)
 INT: DB Nick Johnson (34 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Falcons won at Ohio 31-13...QB James Knapke completed 20-of-39 passes for 260 yards and two touchdowns...RB Travis Greene led the team with 50 yards on 10 rushes, and scored both a rushing and a receiving touchdown...LBs Gabe Martin and James Sanford, and DBs Nick Johnson and Brian Sutton -- led Bowling Green with 11 tackles each...Defense recorded five sacks.

Eastern Michigan (2-4, 1-1 MAC) at UMass (1-6, 1-2 MAC)
 Saturday, October 18, 2014 • 3:00 pm ET • Foxboro, Mass. • Gillette Stadium (68,756)
 ESPN3
 Series: First Meeting



Head Coach: Chris Creighton
 Career: 141-50 (18th year) at Eastern Michigan: 2-4 (1st year)
 Football Contact: Greg Steiner, 734-487-0317, gsteiner2@emich.edu

Offense:
 Rush: QB Reginald Bell (36 att., 250 yds., 3 TDs)
 Pass: QB Rob Bolder (34-76 passing, 323 yds., 3 TDs)
 Rec.: TE Tyreese Russell (15 rec., 150 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Great Ibe (63 tackles, 4.5 tfl, 0.5 sack)
 Sacks: DL Pat O'Connor (28 tackles, 9.5 tfl, 6.5 sacks)
 Int.: DB Kevin Johnson (47 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Eagles beat Buffalo 37-27...QB Reginald Bell entered the contest with 4:15 remaining in the second quarter when the team was down, 10-0, and propelled the squad to a 37-27 victory, bolstering the team's total yardage from 73 yards to 484 in just over a half a game...Bell set a school record with four touchdowns -- three rushing and one passing -- and rushed for 202 yards.



Head Coach: Mark Whipple
 Career: 122-65 (17th year) at UMass: 50-32 (7th year)
 Football Contact: John Sinnott, 413-545-1744, jsinnott@admin.umass.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Lorenzo Woodley (50 att., 228 yards, 3 TDs)
 Pass: QB Blake Frohnapfel (157-286 passing, 2,146 yards, 18 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Tajae Sharpe (43 rec., 697 yds., 4 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Jovan Santos-Knox (76 tackles, 4.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)
 Sacks: LB Kassin Messiah (55 tackles, 4.0 tfl, 1.5 sacks)
 Int.: DB Randall Jette (44 tackles, 3 INT)

Notes: UMass won 40-17 at Kent State...Win was the first for head coach Mark Whipple in his second tenure with the Minutemen...Win also snapped a 12-game losing streak...UMass has scored 40-or-more points in three consecutive games...QB Blake Frohnapfel was 23-of-38 in the game for 286 yards and three touchdowns...Over the last three games, Frohnapfel has thrown for 1,264 yards and 12 touchdowns.

Army (2-4, Independent) at Kent State (0-6, 0-3 MAC)

Saturday, October 18, 2014 • 3:30 pm ET • Kent, Ohio • Dix Stadium (25,319)

ESPN3

Series: Army leads 2-1



Head Coach: Jeff Monken
Career: 40-20 (5th year) at Army: 2-4 (1st year)
Football Contact: Ryan Yanoshak, 845-938-7197, ryan.yanoshak@usma.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Larry Dixon (103 att., 612 yards, 5 TDs)
Pass: QB Angel Santiago (23-34 passing, 325 yards, 1 TDs)
Rec.: WR Edgar Poe (7 rec., 168 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Jeremy Timpf (52 tackles, 7.5 tfl, 3 INT)
Sacks: LB Andrew King (39 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 2.0 sacks)
Int.: DB Josh Jenkins (30 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Army lost 41-21 to Rice...QB Angel Santiago rushed for 106 yards on 23 carries and one touchdown...Santiago has rushed for a touchdown in four consecutive games and now has 17 career rushing touchdowns, moving him into a tie for 16th all-time with Willie McMillan (1988-91)... Marked Army's fifth 100-yard rushing game this season.



Head Coach: Paul Haynes
Career: 4-14 (2nd year) at Kent State: 4-14 (2nd year)
Football Contact: Aaron Chimenti, 330-672-8468, achimenti@kent.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Nick Holley (68 att., 220 rushing yds., 0 TDs)
Pass: QB Colin Reardon (118-216 passing, 1,227 yards, 6 TDs)
Rec.: WR Chris Humphrey (24 rec., 270 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: S Nate Holley (80 tackles, 1.5 tfl, 2 ff)
Sacks: DT Jontey Byrd (16 tackles, 2.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)
Int.: LB Matt Dellinger (46 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Kent State lost to UMass 40-17...QB Colin Reardon went over 3,000 career passing yards (3,184) and moved into a tie for sixth place in career completions (304) at Kent State...WR Chris Humphrey went over 100 career receptions (101) and moved into a tie for ninth place in career catches at Kent State...RB Anthony Meray had a career-long 43-yard touchdown run.

Ball State (1-5, 0-2 MAC) at Central Michigan (4-3, 2-1 MAC)

Saturday, October 18, 2014 • 3:30 pm ET • Mt. Pleasant, Mich. • Kelly/Shorts Stadium (30,255)

ESPN3

Series: Ball State leads 24-21-1



Head Coach: Pete Lembo
Career: 105-54 (14th year) at Ball State: 26-18 (4th year)
Football Contact: Joe Hernandez, 765-285-8242, jhernand@bsu.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Jahwan Edwards (122 att., 609 yards, 5 TDs)
Pass: QB Ozzie Mann (92-161 passing, 947 yards, 6 TDs)
Rec.: WR KeVonn Mabon (33 rec., 383 yds., 3 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Ben Ingle (60 tackles, 2.0 tfl)
Sacks: DL Darnell Smith (22 tackles, 2.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)
Int.: DB Dedrick Cromartie (7 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Ball State lost to Western Michigan 42-38...Redshirt freshman QB Jack Milas made his first collegiate appearance and passed for 326 yards and four touchdowns on 26-42 passing...The four touchdown passes matched the most ever by a Ball State quarterback in his starting debut...WR Jordan Williams had a career-high 11 catches for 179 yards and two touchdowns.



Head Coach: Dan Enos
Career: 23-33 (5th year) at Central Michigan: 23-33 (5th year)
Football Contact: Rob Wyman, 989-774-7614, wyman1rd@cmich.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Thomas Rawls (153 att., 840 yds., 9 TDs)
Pass: QB Cooper Rush (123-191 passing, 1,499 yards, 10 TDs)
Rec.: WR Jesse Kroll (25 rec., 386 yds., 4 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Justin Cherocci (71 tackles, 1.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)
Sacks: DE Joe Ostman (36 tackles, 7.0 tfl, 2.0 sacks)
Int.: DB Tony Annese (38 tackles, 3 INT, 6 pbu)

Notes: Chippewas won at NIU 34-17...QB Cooper Rush was 20-of-31 passing for 269 yards and two touchdowns, and completed 11 of his first 12 passes...RB Thomas Rawls rushed for 270 yards and two touchdowns...WR Titus Davis had four catches for 54 yards and WR Jesse Kroll had six catches for 97 yards and a touchdown...Chippewas' defense held NIU to a season-low 110 yards rushing.

Miami (1-6, 1-2 MAC) at Northern Illinois (4-2, 1-1 MAC)

Saturday, October 18, 2014 • 5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT • DeKalb, Ill. • Huskie Stadium (24,000)

ESPN3

Series: Miami leads 8-7



Head Coach: Chuck Martin
Career: 75-13 (7th year) at Miami: 1-6 (1st year)
Football Contact: Dave Meyer, 513-529-4329, meyerd@miamioh.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Spencer McGinnis (58 att., 220 yds., 0 TDs)
Pass: QB Andrew Hendrix (142-290 passing, 2,131 yds., 17 TDs)
Rec.: WR David Frazier (40 rec., 707 yds., 4 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Kent Kern (56 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 2.0 sacks)
Sacks: DE Bryson Albright (33 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 5.0 sacks)
INT.: DB Quentin Rollins (39 tackles, 4 INT)

Notes: Miami lost 29-19 at Akron...WR David Frazier recorded a career-high nine catches for 132 yards and two touchdowns...Miami offense gained 352 yards passing in the loss...DB Jarrell Jones recorded seven tackles, two fumble recoveries and a pass breakup...Miami defense held Akron to 318 total yards of offense, including 167 yards passing.



Head Coach: Rod Carey
Career: 16-5 (2nd year) at NIU: 16-5 (2nd year)
Football Contact: Donna Turner, 815-753-9513, donnaturner@niu.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Cameron Stingily (56 att., 286 rushing yds., 2 TDs)
Pass: QB Drew Hare (76-128 passing, 997 yards, 10 TDs)
Rec.: WR DaRon Brown (29 rec., 499 yds., 4 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: DB Marlon Moore (51 tackles, 2.0 tfl, 1 INT)
Sacks: DE Jason Meehan (20 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
Int.: DB Paris Logan (35 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: NIU lost to Central Michigan 34-17...NIU saw its 28-game winning streak at Huskie Stadium come to an end as the last home loss came on Sept. 26, 2009 to Idaho...Central Michigan was also the last MAC team to defeat NIU at Huskie Stadium with a 33-30 overtime win on Nov. 12, 2008...Central Michigan also ended NIU's streak of 24 consecutive MAC wins...Chippewas were the last MAC team to beat NIU in the regular season in a 48-41 win on Oct. 1, 2011.

Bye Week: Buffalo (3-4; 1-2 MAC); Toledo (4-3, 3-0 MAC)



Head Coach: Jeff Quinn
 Career: 21-37 (5th year) at Buffalo: 20-36 (5th year)
 Football Contact: Jon Fuller, 716-645-6762, jfuller3@buffalo.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Anthonie Taylor (183 att., 926 yds., 9 TDs)
 Pass: QB Joe Licata (158-242 passing, 1,892 yards, 18 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Ron Willoughby (32 rec., 459 yds., 5 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Lee Skinner (53 tackles, 2.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)
 Sacks: LB Adam Redden (45 tackles, 8.5 tfl, 3.0 sacks)
 INT.: DB Boise Ross (15 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Buffalo lost 37-27 at Eastern Michigan...Bulls rolled up 537 yards of total offense, but struggled in the redzone and scored on three (one touchdown; two field goals) of six trips...QB Joe Licata threw for 383 yards and three scores...RB Anthonie Taylor rushed for 128 yards on 24 carries and WR Ron Willoughby had his second career 100-yard receiving game with 103 yards on only four catches.



Head Coach: Matt Campbell
 Career: 21-12 (3rd year) at Toledo: 21-12 (3rd year)
 Football Contact: Paul Helgren, 419-530-4918, paul.helgren@utoledo.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Kareem Hunt (59 att., 527 yards, 7 TDs)
 Pass: QB Logan Woodside (104-169 passing, 1,264 yds., 8 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Corey Jones (48 rec., 535 yards, 2 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Junior Sylvestre (63 tackles, 4.5 tfl, 2.0 sacks)
 Sacks: DE Trent Voss (46 tackles, 9.0 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
 Int.: DB Jordan Hayden (39 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Rockets lost 37-30 at Iowa State...Loss snaps a three-game winning streak...Freshman RB Terry Swanson made his first collegiate start and carried 17 times for a game-high 124 yards and two scores...QB Logan Woodside completed 22-of-36 passes for 189 yards and one touchdown.

MAC EAST VS. MAC WEST

After four cross-over games in the 2014 season, the MAC West has a 3-1 advantage. There are three more games this Saturday, Oct. 18th as Miami visits NIU; Western Michigan plays at Bowling Green and Eastern Michigan travels to UMass.

Over the previous six years (2008-2013), the MAC West has had the upper hand in cross-over regular season games against the MAC East, winning the head-to-head regular season series in five of the last six years.

However, both the East and West Divisions have each won three Marathon MAC Football Championship games during the same six year span. From the East Division, Bowling Green (2013), Miami (2010) and Buffalo (2008) won the Conference Championship, while the West Division has witnessed Central Michigan (2009) and Northern Illinois (2011, 2012) take the crown.

Over the last six seasons (2008-13), the West holds a 71-37 (.657%) regular season record in cross-over games over the East. Take a look at the last six years in divisional play between the MAC East vs. the MAC West Divisions.

Year, Regular Season East vs. West, MAC Champion

2014 West 3-1; Conference Champion to be decided Dec. 5th
 2013 West 12-6; Bowling Green (East) def. Northern Illinois (West), 47-27
 2012 West 12-6; Northern Illinois (West) def. Kent State (East) 44-37 in double overtime.
 2011 West 14-4; Northern Illinois (West) def. Ohio (East), 23-20
 2010 West 12-6; Miami (East) def. Northern Illinois (West), 26-21
 2009 East 11-7; Central Michigan (West) def. Ohio (East), 20-10
 2008 West 14-4; Buffalo (East) def. Ball State (West), 42-24

2014 Marathon MAC Football Championship on Dec. 5th

In the last three years, 10 different MAC programs have received a bowl invitation. In the same three year span, four different programs have appeared in the Marathon MAC Football Championship game--Bowling Green (2013), Kent State (2012) and Ohio (2011) from the East Division and Northern Illinois (2011-13) from the West Division. The Marathon MAC Football Championship Game will be played at Ford Field in Detroit on Friday, Dec. 5th at 7 pm ET (ESPN2).



CMU's Phillips Candidate for the 2014 Senior CLASS Award

Central Michigan senior offensive lineman Andy Phillips was one of thirty FBS student-athletes named as a candidate for the 2014 Senior CLASS Award. The award is given to student-athletes who excel both on and off the field.

A native of Lansing, Mich., Phillips holds a 3.05 GPA and has served as team captain the last two seasons. Phillips has volunteered his time with community service events such as the Isabella Community Soup Kitchen, the Special Olympics of Michigan and has visited with the elderly at assisted living homes near campus.

To be eligible for the award, a student-athlete must be classified as an NCAA Division I FBS senior and have notable achievements in four areas of excellence – community, classroom, character and competition.

An acronym for Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School®, the Senior CLASS Award focuses on the total student-athlete and encourages students to use their platform in athletics to make a positive impact as leaders in their communities.

The 30 candidates will be narrowed to 10 finalists midway through the regular season, and those 10 names will be placed on the official ballot. Ballots will be distributed through a nationwide voting system to media, coaches and fans, who will select one candidate who best exemplifies excellence in the four Cs of community, classroom, character and competition. The Senior CLASS Award winner will be announced during the football bowl season in early January.

An acronym for Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School, the Senior CLASS Award honors the attributes of senior student-athletes in four areas: community, classroom, character and competition. The award program is designed exclusively for college seniors who are utilizing their complete athletic eligibility, remaining committed to their university and pursuing the many rewards a senior season can bring.

FORMER MAC PLAYERS IN THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE (NFL)

Arizona (2) RB Jalen Parmele P Dave Zastudil	4 13	Toledo Ohio	Indianapolis (5) RB Ahmad Bradshaw DB Josh Gordy DE Jonathan Newsome OT Joe Reitz RB Zurlon Tipton-PS	8 4 R 4 R	Marshall Central Michigan Ball State Western Michigan Central Michigan	San Diego (3) DB Jahleel Addae TE Antonio Gates RB Branden Oliver	2 12 R	Central Michigan Kent State Buffalo
Atlanta (2) DB Sean Baker-PS WR Bernard Reedy-PS	1 R	Ball State Toledo	Kansas City (2) OL Eric Fisher LB Frank Zombo	2 4	Central Michigan Central Michigan	San Francisco (2) OT Joe Staley DB Jimmie Ward	8 R	Central Michigan Northern Illinois
Baltimore (2) RB Bernard Pierce QB Keith Wenning-PS	3 R	Temple Ball State	Miami (1) DB Louis Delmas			Seattle (3) WR Phil Bates-PS OL Drew Nowak-PS DB Josh Thomas	3 3 4	Ohio Western Michigan Buffalo
Carolina (3) LB Chase Blackburn OL Derek Dennis-PS WR Willie Snead-PS	10 1 R	Akron Temple Ball State	Minnesota (3) WR Donte Foster-PS WR Greg Jennings OL Zac Kerin-PS			St. Louis (1) TE Alex Bayer		
Chicago (2) WR Brandon Marshall DE Trevor Scott	9 6	Central Florida Buffalo	New England (3) WR Julian Edelman DL Chris Jones OL Josh Kline			Tampa Bay (1) DE Larry English		
Cleveland (3) OL John Greco WR Andrew Hawkins DL Ishmaa'ily Kitchen	7 4 3	Toledo Toledo Kent State	N.Y. Giants (3) RB Michael Cox-PS OL Eric Herman-PS DL Cullen Jenkins			Tennessee (1) P Brett Kern		
Dallas (3) DT Ken Bishop S Barry Church OT Doug Free	R 5 8	Northern Illinois Toledo Northern Illinois	N.Y. Jets (5) DE Jason Babin LB Nick Bellore DB Jaiquawn Jarrett DT Muhammad Wilkerson OL Brian Winters			Washington (2) DB E.J. Biggers OL Kory Lichtensteiger	6 6	Western Michigan Bowling Green
Denver (6) QB Zac Dysert-PS DL Terrance Knighton K Brandon McManus WR Nathan Palmer-PS K Matt Prater DE John Youboty-IR	2 6 1 2 8 1	Miami (Ohio) Temple Temple Northern Illinois Central Florida Temple	Oakland (4) DB Travis Carrie LB Khalil Mack WR Rod Streater DB Usama Young			PS - Practice Squad IR - Injured-Reserve List		
Detroit (3) DE Jason Jones TE Jordan Thompson-PS LB Tahir Whitehead	7 1 3	Eastern Michigan Ohio Temple	Pittsburgh (9) WR Dri Archer TE Rob Blanchflower-PS WR Antonio Brown QB Bruce Gradkowski LB James Harrison FS Mike Mitchell WR Lance Moore QB Ben Roethlisberger K Shaun Suisham			(80 former MAC student-athletes on NFL Rosters on Sept. 24, 2014)		
Green Bay (5) LB Jayrone Elliott OL T.J. Lang DL Andy Mulumba-IR OL Josh Sitton RB James Starks	R 6 2 7 5	Toledo Eastern Michigan Eastern Michigan Central Florida Buffalo				As the NFL continues throughout the 2014 regular season, as of Sept. 24, 2014, a total of 80 former MAC student-athletes were on rosters across the National Football League. During the 2014 NFL Draft, the MAC had two former student-athletes selected in the first round for only the second time in MAC history.		
Houston (1) OL Brandon Brooks	2	Miami (Ohio)				Former Buffalo LB Khalil Mack was picked No. 5 overall by Oakland, while former Northern Illinois S Jimmie Ward was picked No. 30 overall by the San Francisco 49ers. The last time the MAC had two selected in the first round was 2004 when former Miami QB Ben Roethlisberger was picked No. 11 overall by Pittsburgh, and former Western Michigan DE Jason Babin was taken 27th overall by the Houston Texans.		

Weekly Coaches Teleconference

MAC football coaches will be available each Monday beginning Aug. 25 through Nov. 24 for a weekly media conference call. There will be an additional football championship teleconference Nov. 26 at 10 a.m.

For call in number for the media please contact Ken Mather at 216-566-4622 or kmather@mac-sports.com. The conference call will also be available at www.mac-sports.com each Monday afternoon.

West Division

- 9:30-9:38 P.J. Fleck, Western Michigan
- 9:38-9:46 Matt Campbell, Toledo
- 9:46-9:54 Rod Carey, Northern Illinois
- 9:54-10:02 Chris Creighton, Eastern Michigan
- 10:02-10:10 Dan Enos, Central Michigan
- 10:10-10:18 Pete Lembo, Ball State

East Division

- 10:18-10:26 Frank Solich, Ohio
- 10:26-10:34 Chuck Martin, Miami
- 10:34-10:42 Paul Haynes, Kent State
- 10:42-10:50 Jeff Quinn, Buffalo
- 10:50-10:58 Dino Babers, Bowling Green
- 10:58-11:06 Terry Bowden, Akron
- 11:06-11:14 Mark Whipple, UMass

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2014 Akron Zips (4-2; 2-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Thur., Aug. 28	Howard	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 41-0
Sat., Sept. 6	at Penn State	Noon ET	ABC	L, 3-21
Sat., Sept. 20	Marshall	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 17-48
Sat., Sept. 27	at Pittsburgh	1:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 21-10
Sat., Oct. 4	*Eastern Michigan	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 31-6
Sat., Oct. 11	*Miami	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 29-19
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Ohio	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Ohio leads 17-12-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Ball State	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Series tied 10-10-1
Tue., Nov. 4	*Bowling Green	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	BGSU leads 13-7
Tue., Nov. 11	*at Buffalo	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Akron leads 9-4
Tue., Nov. 18	*UMass	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Series tied 1-1
Tue., Nov. 25	*at Kent State	7:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPN3	Akron leads 31-23-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Ball State Cardinals (1-5; 0-2)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Colgate	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 30-10
Sat., Sept. 6	at Iowa	3:30 pm ET	ESPN2	L, 13-17
Sat., Sept. 13	Indiana State	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 20-27
Sat., Sept. 20	*at Toledo	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 23-34
Sat., Oct. 4	at Army	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 24-33
Sat., Oct. 11	*Western Michigan	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 38-42
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Central Michigan	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	BSU leads 24-21-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*Akron	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Series tied 10-10-1
Wed., Nov. 5	*Northern Illinois	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	BSU leads 20-19-2
Wed., Nov. 12	*at UMass	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Series tied 1-1
Sat., Nov. 22	*Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	BSU leads 32-21-2
Fri., Nov. 28	*at Bowling Green	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	BGSU leads 20-8-1
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Bowling Green Falcons (5-2; 3-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Fri., Aug. 29	at Western Kentucky	8:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 31-59
Sat., Sept. 6	VMI	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 48-7
Sat., Sept. 13	Indiana	Noon ET	ESPNU	W, 45-42
Sat., Sept. 20	at Wisconsin	Noon ET	ESPN2	L, 17-68
Sat., Sept. 27	*at UMass	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 47-42
Sat., Oct. 4	*Buffalo	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 36-35
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Ohio	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 31-13
Sat., Oct. 18	*Western Michigan	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3/BCSN	BGSU leads 31-17-3
Tue., Nov. 4	*at Akron	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	BGSU leads 13-7
Wed., Nov. 12	*Kent State	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	BGSU leads 56-19-6
Wed., Nov. 19	*at Toledo	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	BGSU leads 39-35-4
Fri., Nov. 28	*Ball State	TBA	#ESPNU/ESPN3	BGSU leads 20-8-1
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Buffalo Bulls (3-4; 1-2)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Duquesne	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 38-28
Sat., Sept. 6	at Army	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 39-47
Fri., Sept. 12	Baylor	8:00 pm ET	ESPN	L, 21-63
Sat., Sept. 20	Norfolk State	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 36-7
Sat., Sept. 27	*Miami	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 35-27
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Bowling Green	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 35-36
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Eastern Michigan	1:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 27-37
Sat., Oct. 25	*Central Michigan	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	CMU leads 5-1
Wed., Nov. 5	*at Ohio	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Ohio leads 12-8
Tue., Nov. 11	*Akron	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Akron leads 9-4
Wed., Nov. 19	*Kent State	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Series tied 10-10
Fri., Nov. 28	*at UMass	TBA	#ESPNU/ESPN3	Buffalo leads 6-5
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Central Michigan Chippewas (4-3; 2-1)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Thur., Aug. 28	Tennessee-Chattanooga	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 20-16
Sat., Sept. 6	at Purdue	Noon ET	ESPN3	W, 38-17
Sat., Sept. 13	Syracuse	Noon ET	ESPN3	L, 3-40
Sat., Sept. 20	at Kansas	3:30 pm ET	FOX Sports Net	L, 10-24
Sat., Sept. 27	*at Toledo	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3/ESPN Game Plan/BCSN	L, 28-42
Sat., Oct. 4	*Ohio	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 28-10
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Northern Illinois	5:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 34-17
Sat., Oct. 18	*Ball State	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	BSU leads 22-23-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Buffalo	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	CMU leads 5-1
Sat., Nov. 1	*at Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	CMU leads 57-28-6
Sat., Nov. 15	*Miami	TBA	TBA	Miami leads 13-11
Sat., Nov. 22	*Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 45-38-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Eastern Michigan Eagles (2-4; 1-1)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Morgan State	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 31-28
Sat., Sept. 6	at Florida	4:00 pm ET	SEC Network	L, 0-65
Sat., Sept. 13	at Old Dominion	6:00 pm ET	Cox Sports	L, 3-17
Sat., Sept. 20	at Michigan State	Noon ET	Big Ten Network	L, 14-73
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Akron	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 6-31
Sat., Oct. 11	*Buffalo	1:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 37-27
Sat., Oct. 18	*at UMass	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 25	*Northern Illinois	1:00 pm ET	ESPN3	NIU leads 28-14-2
Sat., Nov. 1	*Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	CMU leads 57-28-6
Sat., Nov. 15	*at Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 29-18-2
Sat., Nov. 22	*at Ball State	TBA	TBA	Ball State leads 32-21-2
Fri., Nov. 28	*Toledo	TBA	#ESPNU/ESPN3	Toledo leads 30-11
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Kent State Golden Flashes (0-6; 0-3)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	*Ohio	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 14-17
Sat., Sept. 6	South Alabama	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 13-23
Sat., Sept. 13	at Ohio State	Noon ET	ABC	L, 0-66
Sat., Sept. 27	at Virginia	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 13-45
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Northern Illinois	5:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 14-17
Sat., Oct. 11	*UMass	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 17-40
Sat., Oct. 18	Army	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	Army leads 2-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Miami	2:30 pm ET	ESPN3	Miami leads 46-15
Tue., Nov. 4	*Toledo	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Toledo leads 23-21
Wed., Nov. 12	*at Bowling Green	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	BGSU leads 56-19-6
Wed., Nov. 19	*at Buffalo	8:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Series tied 10-10
Tue., Nov. 25	*Akron	7:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Akron leads 31-23-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Massachusetts Minutemen (1-6; 1-2)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Boston College	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 7-30
Sat., Sept. 6	Colorado	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 38-41
Sat., Sept. 13	at Vanderbilt	Noon ET	FOX Sports Net	L, 31-34
Sat., Sept. 20	at Penn State	4:00 pm ET	Big Ten Network	L, 7-48
Sat., Sept. 27	*Bowling Green	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 42-47
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Miami	2:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 41-42
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Kent State	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 40-17
Sat., Oct. 18	*Eastern Michigan	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Toledo	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3/ESPN Game Plan	Toledo leads 2-1
Wed., Nov. 12	*Ball State	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Series tied 1-1
Tue., Nov. 18	*at Akron	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPN3	Series tied 1-1
Fri., Nov. 28	*Buffalo	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	Buffalo leads 6-5
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Miami RedHawks (1-6; 1-2)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	Marshall	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 27-42
Sat., Sept. 6	Eastern Kentucky	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 10-17
Sat., Sept. 13	at Michigan	3:30 pm ET	Big Ten Network	L, 10-34
Sat., Sept. 20	at Cincinnati	7:00 pm ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 24-31
Sat., Sept. 27	*at Buffalo	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 27-35
Sat., Oct. 4	*UMass	2:30 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 42-41
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Akron	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 19-29
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Northern Illinois	5:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Series tied 7-7
Sat., Oct. 25	*Kent State	2:30 pm ET	ESPN3	Miami leads 46-15
Sat., Nov. 1	*Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 37-19-1
Sat., Nov. 15	*at Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	Series tied 12-12-1
Tue., Nov. 25	*Ohio	7:00 pm ET	#ESPN2/ESPNU	Miami leads 52-36-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Northern Illinois Huskies (4-2; 1-1)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Thur., Aug. 28	Presbyterian	7:00 pm ET/6:00 pm CT	ESPN3	W, 55-3
Sat., Sept. 6	at Northwestern	3:30 pm ET/2:30 pm CT	Big Ten Network	W, 23-15
Sat., Sept. 13	at UNLV	7:00 pm ET/6:00 pm CT	Mountain West Network	W, 48-34
Sat., Sept. 20	at Arkansas	7:00 pm ET/6:00 pm CT	ESPNU	L, 14-52
Sat., Oct. 4	*Kent State	5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT	ESPN3	W, 17-14
Sat., Oct. 11	*Central Michigan	5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT	ESPN3	L, 17-34
Sat., Oct. 18	*Miami	5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT	ESPN3	Miami leads 8-7
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Eastern Michigan	1:00 pm ET/Noon CT	ESPN3	NIU leads 28-14-2
Wed., Nov. 5	*at Ball State	8:00 pm ET/7:00 pm CT	ESPN2/ESPNU	BSU leads 20-19-2
Tue., Nov. 11	*Toledo	8:00 pm ET/7:00 pm CT	ESPN2/ESPNU	Toledo leads 29-12
Tue., Nov. 18	*at Ohio	8:00 pm ET/7:00 pm CT	ESPNU/ESPN3	NIU leads 10-9
Fri., Nov. 28	*at Western Michigan	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	WMU leads 23-16
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Ohio Bobcats (3-4; 1-2)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	*at Kent State	6:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 17-14
Sat., Sept. 6	at Kentucky	3:30 pm ET	ESPNU	L, 3-20
Sat., Sept. 13	at Marshall	Noon ET	CBS Sports Network	L, 14-44
Sat., Sept. 20	Idaho	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 36-24
Sat., Sept. 27	Eastern Illinois	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 34-19
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Central Michigan	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 10-28
Sat., Oct. 11	*Bowling Green	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 13-31
Sat., Oct. 18	*Akron	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Ohio leads 17-12-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Western Michigan	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	WMU leads 30-28-1
Wed., Nov. 5	*Buffalo	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Ohio leads 12-8
Tue., Nov. 18	*Northern Illinois	8:00 pm ET	ESPNU/ESPN3	NIU leads 10-9
Tue., Nov. 25	*at Miami	7:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPN3	Miami leads 53-35-2
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Toledo Rockets (4-3; 3-0)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	New Hampshire	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 54-20
Sat., Sept. 6	Missouri	Noon ET	ESPN	L, 24-49
Fri., Sept. 12	at Cincinnati	7:00 pm ET	ESPNU	L, 34-58
Sat., Sept. 20	*Ball State	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 34-23
Sat., Sept. 27	*Central Michigan	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3/ESPN Game Plan	W, 42-28
Sat., Oct. 4	*at Western Michigan	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 20-19 (OT)
Sat., Oct. 11	at Iowa State	3:30 pm ET	Mediacom Cable	L, 30-37
Sat., Oct. 25	*UMass	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3/ESPN Game Plan	Toledo leads 3-1
Tue., Nov. 4	*at Kent State	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Toledo leads 23-21
Tue., Nov. 11	*at Northern Illinois	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	Toledo leads 29-12
Wed., Nov. 19	*Bowling Green	8:00 pm ET	ESPN2/ESPNU	BGSU leads 39-35-4
Fri., Nov. 28	*at Eastern Michigan	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	Toledo leads 30-11
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Western Michigan Broncos (3-3; 1-1)

Date	Opponent	Time	Television	Series/Results
Sat., Aug. 30	at Purdue	Noon ET	ESPNU	L, 34-43
Sat., Sept. 13	at Idaho	5:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 45-33
Sat., Sept. 20	Murray State	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 45-14
Sat., Sept. 27	at Virginia Tech	12:30 pm ET	ACC Network	L, 17-35
Sat., Oct. 4	*Toledo	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3	L, 19-20 (OT)
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Ball State	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	W, 42-38
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Bowling Green	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3/BCSN	BGSU leads 31-17-3
Sat., Oct. 25	*Ohio	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	WMU leads 30-28-1
Sat., Nov. 1	*at Miami	TBA	TBA	Miami leads 37-19-1
Sat., Nov. 15	*Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 29-17-2
Sat., Nov. 22	*at Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	WMU leads 45-37-2
Fri., Nov. 28	*Northern Illinois	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	WMU leads 23-16

2014 Non-Conference Opponents

ACC (5): (1-4)
 Boston College (UMass): (0-1); L, 7-30
 Pittsburgh (Akron): (1-0); W, 21-10
 Syracuse (Central Michigan): (0-1); L, 3-40
 Virginia (Kent State): (0-1); L, 13-45
 Virginia Tech (Western Michigan): (0-1); L, 17-35

America Athletic (2): (0-2)
 Cincinnati (Toledo; Miami): (0-2); L, 34-58; L, 24-31

Big Ten (11): (3-8)
 Indiana (Bowling Green): (1-0); W, 45-42
 Iowa (Ball State): (0-1); L, 13-17
 Michigan (Miami): (0-1); L, 10-34
 Michigan State (Eastern Michigan): (0-1); L, 14-73
 Northwestern (Northern Illinois): (1-0); W, 23-15
 Ohio State (Kent State): (0-1); L, 0-66
 Penn State (Akron, UMass): (0-2); L, 3-21; 7-48
 Purdue (WMU, CMU): (1-1); L, 34-43; W, 38-17
 Wisconsin (Bowling Green): (0-1); L, 17-68

Big 12 (3): (0-3)
 Baylor (Buffalo): (0-1); L, 21-63
 Iowa State (Toledo): (0-1); L, 30-37
 Kansas (Central Michigan): (0-1); L, 10-24

Conference USA (5): (0-5)
 Marshall (3) (Miami, Ohio, Akron): (0-3); L, 27-42; L, 14-44; L, 17-48
 Old Dominion (Eastern Michigan): (0-1); L, 3-17
 Western Kentucky (Bowling Green): (0-1); L, 31-59

Mountain West (1): (1-0)
 UNLV (Northern Illinois): (1-0); W, 48-34

Pac-12 (1): (0-1)
 Colorado (UMass): (0-1); L, 38-41

SEC (5): (0-5)
 Arkansas (Northern Illinois): (0-1); L, 14-52
 Florida (Eastern Michigan): (0-1); L, 0-65
 Kentucky (Ohio): (0-1); L, 3-20
 Missouri (Toledo): (0-1); L, 24-49
 Vanderbilt (UMass): (0-1); L, 31-34

Sun Belt (3): (2-1)
 Idaho (Western Michigan, Ohio): (2-0); W, 45-33; W, 36-24
 South Alabama (Kent State): (0-1); L, 13-23

Independent (3): (0-2)
 Army (3) (Buffalo, Ball State, Kent State): (0-2); L, 39-47; L, 24-33

FCS Opponents (I-AA)
 Big South (2): (2-0)
 Presbyterian (Northern Illinois): (1-0); W, 55-3
 VMI (Bowling Green): (1-0); W, 48-7

Colonial (1): (1-0)
 New Hampshire (Toledo): (1-0); W, 54-20

MEAC (3): (3-0)
 Howard (Akron): (1-0); W, 41-0
 Morgan State (Eastern Michigan): (1-0); W, 31-28
 Norfolk State (Buffalo): (1-0); W, 36-7

Missouri Valley (1): (0-1)
 Indiana State (Ball State): (0-1); L, 20-27

Northeast (1): (1-0)
 Duquesne (Buffalo): (1-0); W, 38-28

Ohio Valley (3): (2-1)
 Eastern Kentucky (Miami): (0-1); L, 10-17
 Eastern Illinois (Ohio): (1-0); W, 34-19
 Murray State (Western Michigan): (1-0); W, 45-14

Patriot (1): (1-0)
 Colgate (Ball State): (1-0); W, 30-10

Southern (1): (1-0)
 Tennessee-Chattanooga (Central Michigan): (1-0); W, 20-16

MAC Players on Preseason Watch Lists

PAUL HORNUNG AWARD (Most Versatile Player)
 WR/KR Tommylee Lewis, Northern Illinois

MAXWELL AWARD (Outstanding College Football Player)
 QB Matt Johnson, Bowling Green

RIMINGTON TROPHY (Best Center)
 C Alex Huettel, Bowling Green
 C Nick Beamish, Central Michigan
 C Greg Mancz, Toledo
 C Jon Hoffing, Western Michigan

JOHN MACKEY AWARD (Outstanding Tight End)
 TE Luke Eakes, Northern Illinois
 TE Casey Pierce, Kent State
 TE Tyreese Russell, Eastern Michigan
 Jean Sifrin, UMass
 Alex Welch, Miami

LOU GROZA AWARD (Best College Place Kicker)
 PK Jeremiah Detmer, Toledo
 PK Tyler Tate, Bowling Green
 PK Josiah Yazdani, Ohio

RAY GUY AWARD (Best College Punter)
 P Anthony Melchiori, Kent State
 P Zach Paul, Akron

JIM THORPE AWARD (Best Defensive Back)
 DB Donald Celiscar, Western Michigan
 DB Ryland Ward, Bowling Green

ROTARY LOMBARDI TROPHY (Down Linemen)
 LB Jamaal Bass, Northern Illinois
 LB Justin Cherocci, Central Michigan
 OT Lincoln Hansen, Eastern Michigan
 DT Treyvon Hester, Toledo
 OG Greg Mancz, Toledo
 OG Andy Phillips, Central Michigan
 C Jacob Richard, Ball State
 LB Junior Sylvestre, Toledo

BILETNIKOFF AWARD (Top Wide Receiver)
 WR Titus Davis, Central Michigan
 WR Da'Ron Brown, Northern Illinois
 WR Corey Davis, Western Michigan
 WR Jordan Williams, Ball State
 WR Roger Lewis, Bowling Green
 WR David Frazier, Miami
 WR Tajae Shapre, UMass

DAVEY O'BRIEN AWARD (Top Quarterback)
 QB Matt Johnson, Bowling Green

DOAK WALKER AWARD (Top Running Back)
 RB Jahwan Edwards, Ball State
 RB Bronson Hill, Eastern Michigan
 RB Cameron Stingily, Northern Illinois

WALTER CAMP AWARD (Best College Football Player)
 QB Matt Johnson, Bowling Green