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MAC Standings

WEST DIVISION

	Conference						Overall					
	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A
Toledo	3	0	1.000	W3	2-0	1-0	4	2	.667	W3	3-1	1-1
Northern Illinois	1	0	1.000	W1	1-0	0-0	4	1	.800	W1	2-0	2-1
Central Michigan	1	1	.500	W1	1-0	0-1	3	3	.500	W1	2-1	1-2
Western Michigan	0	1	.000	L1	0-1	0-0	2	3	.400	L2	1-1	1-2
Eastern Michigan	0	1	.000	L1	0-0	0-1	1	4	.200	L4	1-0	0-4
Ball State	0	1	.000	L1	0-0	0-1	1	4	.200	L4	1-1	0-3

EAST DIVISION

	Conference						Overall					
	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A	W	L	Pct.	Stk	H	A
Bowling Green	2	0	1.000	W2	1-0	1-0	4	2	.667	W2	3-0	1-2
Akron	1	0	1.000	W1	1-0	0-0	3	2	.600	W2	2-1	1-1
Buffalo	1	1	.500	L1	1-0	0-1	3	3	.500	L1	3-1	0-2
Ohio	1	1	.500	L1	0-0	1-1	3	3	.500	L1	2-0	1-3
Miami	1	1	.500	W1	1-0	0-1	1	5	.167	W1	1-2	0-3
Kent State	0	2	.000	L2	0-1	0-1	0	5	.000	L5	0-2	0-3
UMass	0	2	.000	L2	0-1	0-1	0	6	.000	L6	0-3	0-3

NIU EXTENDS HOME WINNING STREAK TO 28 GAMES

Northern Illinois extended the nation's longest current home winning streak to 28 consecutive home games with a 17-14 win over Kent State at Huskie Stadium on Saturday afternoon. The Huskies have not lost in Huskie Stadium since Sept. 27, 2009.

In addition to the home winning streak, NIU has dominated regular season Conference action in recent years. The Huskies have now won 24 straight regular season MAC games since a 40-10 win over Kent State on Oct. 8, 2011. The last regular season MAC loss by NIU was a 48-41 loss at Central Michigan on Oct. 1, 2011.

Since then, NIU won seven straight league games to finish the 2011 season 7-1 in MAC play, continued with consecutive 8-0 league seasons in both 2012 and 2013, and have won the opening Conference game this season over the Golden Flashes on Saturday, Oct. 4th.

Northern Illinois has won four consecutive MAC West Division titles, two MAC Championships (2011, 2012) and have been to a bowl game in a league-record six consecutive years. The Huskies are the winningest program in the state of Illinois and the MAC over the last decade. NIU has 50 wins since 2010, which ranks tied for second with Alabama (SEC) among all FBS teams, trailing only behind Oregon (Pac-12).

Most FBS Wins Since 2010

Oregon, 51
Alabama, 50
NIU, 50
Stanford, 49
Boise State, 49
LSU, 48
Oklahoma, 47

Active Home Winning Streak -- Wins at Home Stadium

**NIU 28
*NIU 13
Auburn 13
Baylor 12

*Wins at Huskie Stadium; ** Wins at home recognized by NCAA

MAC Storylines

• MAC play is in full swing this Saturday, Oct. 11th with six conference games: Buffalo at Eastern Michigan; Miami at Akron; UMass at Kent State; Bowling Green at Ohio; Western Michigan at Ball State and Central Michigan at Northern Illinois. The only non-conference contest is Toledo at Iowa State (Big-12).

• Miami snapped a 21-game losing streak (Oct. 27, 2012) by erasing a 27-point first half deficit and scored the games final 28 points to record a thrilling 42-41 win over UMass.

• 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).

• Western Michigan true freshman running back Jarvion Franklin added another rushing touchdown in Saturday's 20-19 overtime loss to Toledo. In five games, Franklin has rushed for 682 yards on 117 carries for 12 touchdowns. Broncos RB Jarvion Franklin ranks in FBS:

- 1st in rushing touchdowns (12)
- 1st in scoring (72 points; 14.4 ppg)
- 7th in rushing yards per game (136.4 ypg)
- 9th in total rushing yards (682 yards)

This Week's MAC Schedule

Saturday, October 4

- *Buffalo at Eastern Michigan, 1:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
- *Bowling Green at Ohio, 2:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
- *Miami at Akron, 2:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
- *UMass at Kent State, 2:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
- *Western Michigan at Ball State, 3:00 pm ET (ESPN3)
- Toledo at Iowa State, 3:30 pm ET (Mediacom Cable)
- *Central Michigan at NIU, 5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT (ESPN3)

Last Week's MAC Results

- Army 33, Ball State 24
- *Akron 31, Eastern Michigan 6
- *Miami 42, UMass 41
- *Bowling Green 36, Buffalo 35
- *Central Michigan 28, Ohio 10
- *NIU 17, Kent State 14
- *Toledo 20, Western Michigan 19 (OT)

* 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 QUARTERBACK 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**

Andrew Hendrix, Offensive Player of the Week
Miami, Senior, Quarterback

Miami quarterback Andrew Hendrix (Cincinnati, Ohio) completed 32-of-58 passes for 437 yards and four touchdowns and added 91 yards and a touchdown on the ground to help Miami to a 42-41 win over UMass on Saturday. The win snapped a 21-game losing streak for the RedHawks.



Nate Holley, Defensive Player of the Week;
Kent State, Sophomore, Safety

Kent State sophomore safety Nate Holley (Toledo, Ohio) helped Kent State's defense hold Northern Illinois to 17 points in a 17-14 loss with a team-high 16.0 tackles. Holley had a team best 12 solo stops and 1.5 tackles for loss and has led the Flashers in tackles for seven straight games. He ranks second in the nation in solo tackles per game (9.2) and third in total tackles (14.4).



Tyler Tate, Special Teams Player of Week;
Bowling Green, Junior, Kicker

Bowling Green junior Tyler Tate (Carroll, Ohio) continued his excellent season on Saturday, proving to be a difference maker in Bowling Green's 36-35 win over Buffalo. Tate made three field goals (32, 35, 31) in a swirling wind, and was a perfect 3-for-3 in extra-point attempts. Tate's 12 points marked his third game this season that he reached double-digit scoring.

West Division

Titus Davis, Offensive Player of the Week;
Central Michigan, Senior, Wide Receiver

Central Michigan senior wide receiver Titus Davis (Wheaton, Ill.) collected 181 yards on 10 catches and two touchdowns in the Chippewas 28-10 victory over Ohio. The 10 receptions and two touchdowns matched career highs. His two touchdowns came on Central Michigan's first two possession of the game as he recorded 109 yards on those two series.



Junior Sylvestre, Defensive Player of the Week
Toledo, Senior, Linebacker

Toledo senior linebacker Junior Sylvestre (Hollywood, Fla.) totaled a season-high 14 tackles in a 20-19 OT win at Western Michigan, marking his second double-digit stops total of the season. Sylvestre was also credited with a sack in the fourth quarter and a pass breakup.



J. Schroeder, Special Teams Player of Week;
Western Michigan, Junior, Punter

Western Michigan junior punter J. Schroeder (Columbus, Ohio) had six punts for 246 yards (41.0 avg.) in a 20-19 OT loss to Toledo. Schroeder had his third-straight game with a punt average of at least 40 yards this season. The junior also landed two punts inside Toledo's 20 and had a game-long punt of 50 yards.

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

Rushing Yards Per Game:

7th **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 117 att, 682 yds., 12 TD (136.4 av.)
9th **Anthone Taylor-Buffalo**: 159 att., 798 yds., 9 TDs (133.0 avg.)
24th **Jahwan Edwards-Ball State**: 96 att., 532 yds., 4 TDs (106.4 avg.)

Rushing Yards:

5th **Anthone Taylor-Buffalo**: 798 yds., 159 att., 9 TDs
9th **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 682 yds., 117 att., 12 TDs
24th **Travis Greene-Bowling Green**: 540 yds., 102 att., 7 TDs

Rushing Touchdowns:

1st **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 12 TDs, 682 yds., 117 attempts
t-3rd **Anthone Taylor-Buffalo**: 9 TDs, 798 yds., 159 attempts
t-18th **Travis Greene-Bowling Green**: 7 TDs, 540 yds., 102 attempts

All Purpose Yards

16th : **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 147.60 avg., 738 yards
23rd : **Anthone Taylor-Buffalo**: 139.83 avg., 839 yards

Total Passing Yards:

8th **Blake Frohnapfel-UMass**: 1,860 yds., 134-248 passing, 15 TDs
9th **Andrew Hendrix-Miami**: 1,779 yds., 118-249 passing, 14 TDs
19th **James Knapke-Bowling Green**: 1,559 yds., 139-230 passing, 8 TDs
23rd **Joe Licata-Buffalo**: 1,509 yds., 131-198 passing, 15 TDs

Passing Yards Per Game:

15th **Blake Frohnapfel-UMass**: 1,860 yds., 134-248 passing, 15 TDs (310.0)
19th **Andrew Hendrix-Miami**: 1,779 yds., 118-249 passing, 14 TDs (296.5)

Passing Touchdowns:

t-8th **Blake Frohnapfel-UMass**: 15 TDs, 1,860 yds., 134-248 passing
t-8th **Joe Licata-Buffalo**: 15 TDs, 1,509 yds., 131-198 passing
13th **Andrew Hendrix-Miami**: 14 TDs, 1,779 yds., 118-249 passing

Passing Efficiency:

17th **Drew Hare-NIU**: 156.6 rating; 58-95 passing, 766 yards, 8 TDs

Receiving Yards Per Game:

11th **Tajae Sharpe-UMass**: 41 rec., 678 yds., 4 TDs, (113.0 avg.)
19th **Roger Lewis-Bowling Green**: 45 rec., 595 yds., 3 TDs, (99.2 avg.)
20th **Daniel Braverman-WMU**: 38 rec., 495 yds., 2 TDs, (99.0 avg.)
23rd **Corey Davis-Western Michigan**: 23 rec., 388 yds., 3 TDs, (97.0 avg.)
24th **David Frazier-Miami**: 31 rec., 575 yds., 2 TDs, (95.8 avg.)

Total Receiving Yards

5th **Tajae Sharpe-UMass**: 678 yds., 41 rec., 4 TDs
9th **Roger Lewis-Bowling Green**: 595 yds., 45 rec., 3 TDs
13th **David Frazier-Miami**: 575 yds., 31 rec., 2 TDs

Receiving Touchdowns

t-6th **Alonzo Russell-Toledo**: 6 TDs
t-15th **Ron Willoughby-Buffalo**: 5 TDs
t-15th **Rodney Mills-UMass**: 5 TDs

Receptions Per Game:

10th **Daniel Braverman-WMU**: 38 rec., 495 yds., 2 TDs, (7.6 per game)
13th **Roger Lewis-Bowling Green**: 45 rec., 595 yds., 3 TDs, (7.5 per game)
t-20th **Tajae Sharpe-UMass**: 41 rec., 678 yds., 4 TDs, (6.8 per game)

Scoring:

1st **Jarvion Franklin-Western Michigan**: 72 points, (14.4 ppg)

Points Responsible For:

9th **Joe Licata-Buffalo**: 104 points
t-16th **Blake Frohnapfel-UMass**: 90 points
t-16th **Andrew Hendrix-Miami**: 90 points

Total Tackles:

3rd **Nate Holley-Kent State**: 72 tackles, 14.4 tackles per game
13th **Jovan Santos-Knox-UMass**: 67 tackles, 11.2 tackles per game
t-20th **Stanley Andre-UMass**: 62 tackles, 10.3 tackles per game
t-22nd **Great Ibe-Eastern Michigan**: 51 tackles, 10.2 tackles per game

Interceptions:

t-9th **Quinten Rollins-Miami**: 4 interceptions, 0.7 per game

Interceptions:

t-21st **Pat O'Connor-Eastern Michigan**: 4.5 sacks, 0.0 per game

Other Top Performers (WEEK SIX)

OFFENSE

• Buffalo **RB Anthone Taylor** rushed for 219 yards and three touchdowns in a 36-35 loss at Bowling Green. His 219 yards was the eighth best single-game performance in school history and he became the first player in school history to rush for over 200 yards in consecutive games.

• Akron **QB Kyle Pohl** went 27-of-40 for a career-high 326 yards and two touchdowns in a 31-6 win over Eastern Michigan. He also rushed five yards to score Akron's first touchdown.

• Bowling Green **WR Ronnie Moore** had a career-high 178 yards receiving on nine receptions and one touchdown in a 36-35 win over Buffalo. He had 232 all-purpose yards, his second consecutive game of 200+ all-purpose yards and at least 100 yards receiving.

• Toledo **RB Terry Swanson** carried 19 times for a season-high 172 yards, including a two-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter, in a 20-19 (OT) win at Western Michigan. Swanson also totaled three catches for 54 yards to give him 226 yards of total offense.

• Western Michigan **QB Zach Terrell** had a career-best 370 yards passing on 30-37 passing in a 20-19 (OT) loss to Toledo.

• Northern Illinois **WR Juwan Brescacin** had three catches for 116 yards in a 17-14 win over Kent State. Brescacin averaged 38.6 yards per catch as his catches went for 37, 49 and 30 yards.

DEFENSE

• Akron **LB Jatavis Brown** had a game-high 14 tackles, including a career-best 12 solo stops, a career-high two sacks, and a career-high two tackles for loss in a 31-6 win over Eastern Michigan.

• Northern Illinois **LB Rasheen Lemon** led with nine tackles, six solo, one-half sack and a forced fumble in a 17-14 win over Kent State. Lemon was part of a defensive effort that held the Flashes to just 83 rushing yards.

• Central Michigan **DE Blake Serpa** recorded a career-high two sacks for a loss of 18 yards and five tackles in a 28-10 win over Ohio. Serpa and the Chippewas defense limited Ohio to 187 yards of total offense, including just 24 yards in the first half.

• Miami **DB Heath Harding** had nine tackles, one fumble recovery and an interception in Miami's 42-41 win over UMass. His interception came with just over two minutes left in the game.

• Western Michigan **DL Cleveland Smith** had a season-high four tackles, including a half-sack and a recovered fumble in a 20-19 (OT) loss to Toledo.

• Bowling Green **LB Gabe Martin** had a team-high 10 tackles with one interception in a 36-35 win over Buffalo.

SPECIAL TEAMS

• Toledo **K Jeremiah Detmer** was credited with two field goals, including a 37-yarder on the final play of regulation to force overtime, in Toledo's 20-19 (OT) win at Western Michigan.

• Akron **K Robert Stein** nailed a season-long 32-yard field goal and went a perfect 4-for-4 in PATs in a 31-6 win over Eastern Michigan. He also kicked off six times for 350 yards (58.3 avg.).

• Northern Illinois **KR Jordan Huff** ran for 66 yards on his first career kickoff return to set up an NIU field goal on the first drive of the second half in a 17-14 win over Kent State. Huff took the second-half kickoff to the Kent State 30 yard line and the resulting 40-yard field goal gave NIU a 10-3 lead. Huff later scored on an 18-yard touchdown run in his only other "touch" of the game.

MAC Week Six Quick Recaps:

Toledo 20, Western Michigan 19 (OT) -- In a game as wild as the stormy weather, Toledo defeated Western Michigan, 20-19, in overtime at Waldo Stadium Saturday night.

Sophomore quarterback Logan Woodside's 22-yard pass on third down to junior wide receiver Alonzo Russell gave Toledo a 20-13 edge in overtime. Russell stumbled as the Broncos attempted to tackle him at about the 15-yard line, regained his footing and sprinted into the end zone.

Western Michigan answered with a 20-yard touchdown pass from Zach Terrell to Darius Phillips but Andrew Haldeman's extra-point attempt hit the left upright and bounced back onto the field, igniting a Rocket celebration.

Senior placekicker Jeremiah Detmer sent the game into overtime with a 37-yard field goal with no time left on the clock that tied the game at 13-13. Woodside finished 13-of-27 for 210 yards. Freshman Terry Swanson had a huge game, rushing for a season-high 172 yards and one score on 19 carries.

Akron 31, Eastern Michigan 6 -- Akron dominated both sides of the ball as the Zips cruised to a 31-6 victory over Eastern Michigan Saturday in their MAC opener. The victory moves Akron to 3-2 overall and 1-0 in the MAC, and was Akron's first win to open MAC play since the 2007 season.

Defensively, Akron forced four turnovers and held the Eagles to 279 total yards, including just 94 on the ground. Jatavis Brown led Akron with 14 tackles and two sacks.

The Zips held Eastern Michigan (1-4, 0-1 MAC) in check after the Eagles scored a touchdown on their opening drive, and the offense responded with 31 unanswered points. Akron posted 552 yards of total offense, guided by quarterback Kyle Pohl who was 27-for-40, throwing for a career-high 326 yards and two touchdowns through the air.

Northern Illinois 17, Kent State 14 -- On its final possession of the contest, a 56-yard field goal came up short for Kent State as NIU claimed a 17-14 victory in the MAC opener on Saturday at Huskie Stadium. The win extends NIU's Huskie Stadium winning streak to 28 games and its regular season MAC winning streak to 24 contests.

With the Huskie offense unable to find a consistent rhythm, the NIU defense stepped up. Kent State managed just a pair of field goals through the first 53 minutes of the game before scoring its lone touchdown of the game with 7:15 to play. The two-point conversion pulled the Golden Flashes within three, 17-14.

Following a scoreless first quarter, Anthony Maddie came in at quarterback for NIU and brought a spark. NIU marched 80 yards in nine plays, using less than three minutes to open the scoring. Maddie connected with receiver Da'Ron Brown for 37 yards on a third down to keep the drive alive. Back-to-back personal foul penalties on the Golden Flashes gave NIU a first-and-goal and Brown found the end zone on a wide receiver sweep to give the Huskies the lead.

Army 33, Ball State 24 -- In a game that saw a steady rain most of the day and Ball State falling behind 27-10 late in the game, the Cardinals near record-setting comeback fell short as Army tallied a 33-24 victory. With the loss, Ball State falls to 1-4 on the season, while Army improved to 2-3 in 2014.

Ball State running back Jahwan Edwards ended the game with 142 yards rushing and two rushing touchdowns plus tallied a team high five catches for 44 yards. Quarterback Ozzie Mann completed 18-of-26 passes for 173 yards with one touchdown and one interception, which came with only 2:42 left in the game.

MAC Week Six Quick Recaps:

Miami 42, UMass 41 -- In a furious finish, Miami overcame a 27-point deficit to seize a 42-41 win over UMass on Saturday at Yager Stadium. The win snapped a 21-game skid and handed the RedHawks their first win since Oct. 27, 2012 and the first under new head coach Chuck Martin.

Trailing 41-14 late in the second quarter, Miami scored four unanswered touchdowns to overtake the Minutemen. The game-winning score came with 2:58 to go on a one-yard run by senior quarterback Andrew Hendrix with an extra point by junior kicker Kaleb Patterson that put the RedHawks ahead for good.

Hendrix finished with 528 yards of total offense, which is the second-highest single-game total in Miami history to Zac Dysert's 624 yards of total offense at Akron on Sept. 29, 2012. Hendrix finished with 437 yards passing, completing 32-of-58 passes with no interceptions, throwing four touchdowns and rushing for one other. He also led Miami with 91 yards on the ground.

Freshman wide receiver Sam Martin tied a Miami record for receiving touchdowns, hauling in four from Hendrix. Martin's record-tying touchdown grab came with 6:16 to go in the fourth quarter, matching a record set by Andy Schilling against Central Michigan at Yager Stadium on Nov. 1, 1986 in a 59-21 Miami win. He finished with eight catches to lead the RedHawks and tallied 111 yards receiving.

Bowling Green 36, Buffalo 35 -- Bowling Green overcame four separate deficits to secure a thrilling 36-35 victory over Buffalo on Saturday at Doyt Perry Stadium in Bowling Green, Ohio. The Falcons scored the game-winning points with 2:19 left to remain unbeaten in Mid-American Conference games.

The game was a tale of two halves, as the team's combined for 48 points in the first 30 minutes but just 23 after halftime. It was also a thriller throughout, as the teams combined for seven lead changes.

The Falcons put together 508 yards of offense and ran 76 plays. Bowling Green's defense held Buffalo to 368 yards of offense, a season-best for the Falcons. The Bulls passed for only 134 yards. Buffalo was just 5-for-13 on third downs and only five-for-seven in the red zone.

Falcons quarterback James Knapke was 20-39 passing for 321 yards and one touchdown. Travis Greene and Fred Coppet largely shared background duties and had very similar days. Greene ran for 74 yards, while Coppet amassed 61. Both had a touchdown run. Falcons wide receiver Ronnie Moore caught nine of Knapke's passes for 178 yards and a touchdown.

Buffalo running back Anthone Taylor rushed for 219 yards and three touchdowns, the eight-best single-game performance in school history. Buffalo quarterback Joe Licata threw for 134 yards and one touchdown.

Central Michigan 28, Ohio 10 -- The one-two punch of Titus Davis and Thomas Rawls, coupled with a staunch defensive effort, was exactly what the Central Michigan football team needed.

Rawls carried 40 times for 229 yards – both career highs – and Davis caught 10 passes for 181 yards as the Chippewas snapped a three-game losing streak with a 28-10 Mid-American Conference win Saturday over Ohio on Homecoming at Kelly/Shorts Stadium.

Davis and Rawls scored two touchdowns apiece and Central Michigan's defense set the tone, holding Ohio to 24 yards and two first downs in the first half.

Central Michigan quarterback Cooper Rush completed 17-of-27 pass attempts for 233 yards. He connected with Davis on first-half touchdown passes of 4 and 32 yards, staking the Chippewas to a 14-0 lead before the Bobcats had even produced a first down.

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 69-51 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.

Coch	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).

Buffalo (3-3, 1-1 MAC) at Eastern Michigan (1-4, 0-2 MAC)
 Saturday, October 11, 2014 • 1:00 pm ET • Ypsilanti, Mich. • Rynearson Stadium (30,200)
 ESPN3
 Series: Eastern Michigan leads 5-1



Head Coach: Jeff Quinn
 Career: 21-36 (5th year) at Buffalo: 20-35 (5th year)
 Football Contact: Jon Fuller, 716-645-6762, jfuller3@buffalo.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Anthone Taylor (159 att., 798 yds., 9 TDs)
 Pass: QB Joe Licata (131-198 passing, 1,509 yards, 15 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Ron Willoughby (28 rec., 356 yds., 5 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Lee Skinner (43 tackles, 2.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)
 Sacks: LB Adam Redden (37 tackles, 7.5 tfl, 3.0 sacks)
 INT.: DB Boise Ross (12 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Buffalo lost 36-35 at Bowling Green...RB Anthone Taylor had 219 yards rushing and three touchdowns to become the first player in school history with consecutive 200-yard rushing performances...Taylor ran for 222 yards and three touchdowns against Miami (OH) last week...LB Lee Skinner had a season-high 11 tackles, while LB Adam Redden added eight tackles.



Head Coach: Chris Creighton
 Career: 140-50 (18th year) at Eastern Michigan: 1-4 (1st year)
 Football Contact: Greg Steiner, 734-487-0317, gsteiner2@emich.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Bronson Hill (56 att., 233 yds., 0 TDs)
 Pass: QB Rob Bolder (32-71 passing, 320 yds., 3 TDs)
 Rec.: TE Tyreese Russell (14 rec., 130 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Great Ibe (51 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 0.5 sack)
 Sacks: DL Pat O'Connor (24 tackles, 7.0 tfl, 4.5 sacks)
 Int.: DB Kevin Johnson (35 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Eagles lost 31-6 at Akron...QB Rob Bolden finished 17-29 passing for 185 yards and one touchdown...WR Tyler Allen led the team with five catches for 52 yards and one score...DL Pat O'Connor recorded another sack and leads the MAC with 4.5 sacks in five games this season...S Jason Beck led the team with a career-high 10 tackles.

Bowling Green (4-2, 2-0 MAC) at Ohio (3-3, 1-1 MAC)
 Saturday, October 11, 2014 • 2:00 pm ET • Athens, Ohio • Peden Stadium (24,000)
 ESPN3
 Series: Bowling Green leads 38-25-2



Head Coach: Dino Babers
 Career: 23-9 (3rd year) at Bowling Green: 4-2 (1st year)
 Football Contact: Scott Swegan, 419-372-7105, swegans@bgsu.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Travis Greene (102 att., 540 rushing yds., 7 TDs)
 Pass: QB James Knapke (139-230 passing, 1,559 yards, 8 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Roger Lewis (45 rec., 596 yds., 3 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: DB Brian Sutton (48 tackles, 2.5 tfl)
 Sacks: DL Bryan Thomas (14 tackles, 5.5 tfl, 3.5 sacks)
 INT: DB Nick Johnson (23 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Falcons beat Buffalo 36-35...QB James Knapke finished 20-39 passing for 321 yards, one touchdown and one interception...RBs Travis Greene and Fred Coppet shared duties and rushed for 74 and 61 yards, respectfully, both with a rushing touchdown...Falcons had 508 yards of offense and were six of 14 on third down and seven of eight in the red zone.



Head Coach: Frank Solich
 Career: 127-70 (16th year) at Ohio: 69-51 (10th year)
 Football Contact: Sara Legarsky, 740-597-1837, legarsky@ohio.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB A.J. Ouellette (49 att., 288 rushing yds., 4 TDs)
 Pass: QB JD Sprague (47-95 passing, 585 yds., 1 TD)
 Rec.: WR Landon Smith (16 rec., 150 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Blair Brown (47 tackles, 5.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)
 Sacks: LB Quentin Poling (47 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 3.0 sacks, 3 INT)
 Int.: LB Quentin Poling (47 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 3.0 sacks, 3 INT)

Notes: Bobcats lost 28-10 at Central Michigan...RB Daz Patterson had 12 carries for a season-high 77 rushing yards, including a season-long of 49 yards...WR Chase Cochran caught his 15th career reception of 40-plus yards with a 46-yard reception to start the fourth quarter and finished with a team-high 59 yards receiving...LB Jovon Johnson added a sack and forced fumble.

Miami (1-5, 1-1 MAC) at Akron (3-2, 1-0 MAC)
 Saturday, October 11, 2014 • 2:00 pm ET • Akron, Ohio • InfoCision Stadium (27,881)
 ESPN3
 Series: Miami leads 16-6-1



Head Coach: Chuck Martin
 Career: 75-12 (7th year) at Miami: 1-5 (1st year)
 Football Contact: Dave Meyer, 513-529-4329, meyerd@miamioh.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Spencer McGinnis (48 att., 188 yds., 0 TDs)
 Pass: QB Andrew Hendrix (118-249 passing, 1,779 yds., 14 TDs)
 Rec.: WR David Frazier (31 rec., 527 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Kent Kern (52 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 2.0 sacks)
 Sacks: DE Bryson Albright (27 tackles, 4.0 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
 INT.: DB Quentin Rollins (31 tackles, 4 INT)

Notes: Miami erased a 27-point first half deficit and came from behind for a 42-41 win over UMass...QB Andrew Hendrix completed 32-of-58 passes for 437 yards and four touchdowns and added 91 yards and a touchdown on the ground...The win snapped a 21-game losing streak for the RedHawks...Win was the first for Miami head coach Chuck Martin with the RedHawks program.



Head Coach: Terry Bowden
 Career: 149-82-2 (21st year) at Akron: 9-20 (3rd year)
 Football Contact: Cathy Bongiovi, 330-972-6106, cbongiovi@akron.edu

Offense:
 Rush: RB Conor Hundley (39 att., 252 rushing yds., 1 TD)
 Pass: QB Kyle Pohl (106-188 passing, 1,186 yards, 7 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Zach D'Orazio (28 rec., 313 yds., 0 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Jatavis Brown (44 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 3.0 sacks)
 Sacks: LB Jatavis Brown (44 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 3.0 sacks)
 Int.: DB Kris Givens (18 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Akron beat Eastern Michigan 31-6...Marks the first time under Terry Bowden the Zips have begun league play with a win...Zips at 3-2 overall record for the first time since 2005...LB Jatavis Brown had a game-high 14 tackles and a career-high two sacks...QB Kyle Pohl was 27-40 passing for a career-high 326 yards and two touchdowns.

UMass (0-6, 0-2 MAC) at Kent State (0-5, 0-2 MAC)

Saturday, October 11, 2014 • 2:00 pm ET • Kent, Ohio • Dix Stadium (25,319)

ESPN3

Series: First Meeting



Head Coach: Mark Whipple
Career: 121-65 (17th year) at UMass: 49-32 (7th year)
Football Contact: John Sinnett, 413-545-1744, jsinnett@admin.umass.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Shadrach Abrokwhah (39 att., 165 yards, 2 TDs)
Pass: QB Blake Frohnapfel (134-248 passing, 1,860 yards, 15 TDs)
Rec.: WR Tajae Sharpe (41 rec., 678 yds., 4 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Jovan Santos-Knox (67 tackles, 4.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)
Sacks: LB Kassin Messiah (45 tackles, 3.5 tfl, 1.5 sacks)
Int.: DB Randall Jette (43 tackles, 3 INT)

Notes: UMass lost 42-41 at Miami...WR Tajae Sharpe had nine receptions for 154 yards...Sharpe ranks 10th all-time in school history for career yardage with 1,564 yards and his 122 receptions ranks 8th all-time for career catches at UMass...QB Blake Frohnapfel threw for 389 yards and 4 touchdowns, and in his last two games has 978 yards passing and 9 touchdowns.



Head Coach: Paul Haynes
Career: 4-13 (2nd year) at Kent State: 4-13 (2nd year)
Football Contact: Aaron Chimenti, 330-672-8468, achimenti@kent.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Nick Holley (53 att., 185 rushing yds., 0 TDs)
Pass: QB Colin Reardon (96-175 passing, 1,036 yards, 5 TDs)
Rec.: WR Chris Humphrey (20 rec., 222 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:

Tackles: S Nate Holley (72 tackles, 1.5 tfl, 2 ff)
Sacks: DT Jontey Byrd (14 tackles, 2.0 tfl, 1.0 sack)
Int.: LB Matt Dellinger (38 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Kent State lost 17-14 at NIU...QB Colin Reardon was 20-36 passing for 244 yards and moved into eighth place in career passing yards (2,993) at Kent State...Kent State had season-highs of 327 yards of offense, 22 first downs and a season best 83 yards rushing...Defense posted a season-high five tackles for loss...S Jordan Italiano added a fourth quarter interception.

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

Saturday, October 11, 2014 • 3:00 pm ET • Muncie, Ind. • Scheumann Stadium (22,500)

ESPN3

Series: Western Michigan leads 21-19



Head Coach: P.J. Fleck
Career: 3-14 (2nd year) at Western Michigan: 3-14 (2nd year)
Football Contact: Adam Bodnar, 269-387-4122, adam.e.bodnar@wmich.edu

Offense: (top returnees listed)

Rush: RB Jarvion Franklin (117 att., 682 yards, 12 TDs)
Pass: QB Zach Terrell (101-154 passing, 1,294 yds., 7 TDs)
Rec.: WR Daniel Braverman (38 rec., 495 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Grant DePalma (47 tackles, 4.5 tfl)
Sacks: DT Cleveland Smith (12 tackles, 5.5 tfl, 3.5 sacks)
Int.: DB Ronald Zamort (9 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Western Michigan lost 20-19 (OT) to Toledo...QB Zach Terrell completed 30-37 pass attempts for a career-high 370 yards with one touchdown...WR Corey Davis finished with seven receptions and 124 yards receiving, while WR Darius Phillips had his first career 100-yard receiving game with 121 yards on 10 catches and WR Daniel Braverman hauled in eight catches for 82 yards.



Head Coach: Pete Lembo
Career: 105-53 (14th year) at Ball State: 26-17 (4th year)
Football Contact: Joe Hernandez, 765-285-8242, jhernand@bsu.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Jahwan Edwards (96 att., 532 yards, 4 TDs)
Pass: QB Ozzie Mann (92-161 passing, 947 yards, 6 TDs)
Rec.: WR KeVonn Mabon (29 rec., 336 yds., 2 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Ben Ingle (48 tackles, 2.0 tfl)
Sacks: DL Darnell Smith (18 tackles, 2.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)
Int.: DB Dedrick Cromartie (7 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: Ball State lost 33-24 at Army...RB Jahwan Edwards ended with 142 yards rushing and two rushing touchdowns and tallied a team high five catches for 44 yards...QB Ozzie Mann completed 18-of-26 passes for 173 yards with one touchdown and one interception...DE Michael Ayers led the Cardinals with 14 tackles and one fumble recovery, while LB Ben Ingle registered eight tackles.

Central Michigan (3-3, 1-1 MAC) at Northern Illinois (4-1, 1-0 MAC)

Saturday, October 11, 2014 • 5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT • DeKalb, Ill. • Huskie Stadium (24,000)

ESPN3

Series: Central Michigan leads 25-23-1



Head Coach: Dan Enos
Career: 22-33 (5th year) at Central Michigan: 22-33 (5th year)
Football Contact: Rob Wyman, 989-774-7614, wyman1rd@cmich.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Thomas Rawls (113 att., 570 yds., 7 TDs)
Pass: QB Cooper Rush (103-160 passing, 1,230 yards, 8 TDs)
Rec.: WR Jesse Kroll (19 rec., 289 yds., 3 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: LB Justin Cherocci (61 tackles, 1.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)
Sacks: DE Joe Ostman (30 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 2.0 sacks)
Int.: DB Tony Annese (31 tackles, 2 INT, 4 pbu)

Notes: Chippewas beat Ohio 28-10...RB Thomas Rawls carried 40 times for 229 yards and two touchdowns...His attempts and yards were both career highs, while the 229 yards rushing is the most in a single-game in the MAC this season...WR Titus Davis had a career-high 10 catches for 181 yards and two touchdowns...Chippewas defense limited Ohio to only 187 net yards of total offense.



Head Coach: Rod Carey
Career: 16-4 (2nd year) at NIU: 16-4 (2nd year)
Football Contact: Donna Turner, 815-753-9513, donnaturner@niu.edu

Offense:

Rush: RB Cameron Stingily (43 att., 234 rushing yds., 2 TDs)
Pass: QB Drew Hare (58-95 passing, 766 yards, 8 TDs)
Rec.: WR DaRon Brown (25 rec., 423 yds., 4 TDs)

Defense:

Tackles: DB Marlon Moore (39 tackles, 1 INT)
Sacks: DE Jason Meehan (17 tackles, 6.0 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
Int.: DB Paris Logan (28 tackles, 1 INT)

Notes: NIU defeated Kent State 17-14...NIU won a game while scoring 17 or less points for the first time since Oct. 25, 2008, when the Huskies defeated Bowling Green, 16-13...NIU has played 75 games since that time with 55 wins... NIU's victory was the 24th-straight win in the MAC regular season...Huskie defense held Kent State to 83-rushing yards, the third-time this season NIU has held an opponent under 100-yards rushing in a game.

Toledo (4-2, 3-0 MAC) at Iowa State (1-4, 0-3 Big-12)
 Saturday, October 11, 2014 • 3:30 pm ET • Ames, Iowa • Jack Trice Stadium (55,000)
 Mediacom Cable
 Series: Tied 1-1



Head Coach: Matt Campbell
 Career: 21-11 (3rd year) at Toledo: 21-11 (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 (82-133 passing, 1,075 yds., 7 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Corey Jones (36 rec., 417 yards, 2 TDs)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Junior Sylvestre (56 tackles, 2.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)
 Sacks: DE Trent Voss (41 tackles, 6.5 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
 Int.: DB Jordan Hayden (33 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Rockets won at Western Michigan, 20-19 (OT)...Toledo began MAC play 3-0 for the fourth time in the last five seasons...Rockets improve to 6-3 all-time in overtime contests as the most recent OT game was a 45-44 double-overtime victory vs. Navy on Oct. 19, 2013...WR Alonzo Russell had four catches for 43 yards and a 22-yard TD reception in OT for its first and only lead of the game.



Head Coach: Paul Rhoades
 Career: 28-40 (6th year) at Iowa State: 28-40 (6th year)
 Football Contact: Mike Green, 515-294-3372, mgreen@iastate.edu

Offense: (top returnees listed)
 Rush: RB Aaron Wimberly (52 att., 163 yards, 3 TDs)
 Pass: QB Sam Richardson (100-175 passing, 1,003 yds., 7 TDs)
 Rec.: WR Jarvis West (21 rec., 174 yds., 1 TD)

Defense:
 Tackles: LB Jevohn Miller (55 tackles, 2.5 tfl, 1.0 sack)
 Sacks: DL Cory Morrissey (19 tackles, 5.5 tfl, 4.0 sacks)
 Int.: DB T.J. Mutcherson (34 tackles, 2 INT)

Notes: Iowa State lost at No. 21 Oklahoma State, 37-21...QB Sam B. Richardson threw for 200 yards and two touchdowns and now has 267 career completions, good for eighth on Iowa State's all-time chart...Richardson is also tied for fifth on Iowa State's career list with 26 career touchdown passes...DL Cory Morrissey had half a sack and now has 4.0 sacks this season.

MAC EAST VS. MAC WEST

The MAC opened its 2014 portion of cross-over games with the West Division winning two of three contests -- NIU over Kent State 17-14; Central Michigan beat Ohio 28-10; while Akron defeated Eastern Michigan 31-6.

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 2-1; 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 Toledo 13 Ohio	Indianapolis (5) RB Ahmad Bradshaw DB Josh Gordy DE Jonathan Newsome OT Joe Reitz RB Zurlon Tipton-PS	8 Marshall 4 Central Michigan R Ball State 4 Western Michigan R Central Michigan	San Diego (3) DB Jahleel Addae TE Antonio Gates RB Branden Oliver	2 Central Michigan 12 Kent State R Buffalo
Atlanta (2) DB Sean Baker-PS WR Bernard Reedy-PS	1 Ball State R Toledo	Kansas City (2) OL Eric Fisher LB Frank Zombo	2 Central Michigan 4 Central Michigan	San Francisco (2) OT Joe Staley DB Jimmie Ward	8 Central Michigan R Northern Illinois
Baltimore (2) RB Bernard Pierce QB Keith Wenning-PS	3 Temple R Ball State	Miami (1) DB Louis Delmas	6 Western Michigan	Seattle (3) WR Phil Bates-PS OL Drew Nowak-PS DB Josh Thomas	3 Ohio 3 Western Michigan 4 Buffalo
Carolina (3) LB Chase Blackburn OL Derek Dennis-PS WR Willie Snead-PS	10 Akron 1 Temple R Ball State	Minnesota (3) WR Donte Foster-PS WR Greg Jennings OL Zac Kerin-PS	R Ohio 9 Western Michigan R Toledo	St. Louis (1) TE Alex Bayer	R Bowling Green
Chicago (2) WR Brandon Marshall DE Trevor Scott	9 Central Florida 6 Buffalo	New England (3) WR Julian Edelman DL Chris Jones OL Josh Kline	6 Kent State 2 Bowling Green 2 Kent State	Tampa Bay (1) DE Larry English	6 Northern Illinois
Cleveland (3) OL John Greco WR Andrew Hawkins DL Ishmaa'ily Kitchen	7 Toledo 4 Toledo 3 Kent State	N.Y. Giants (3) RB Michael Cox-PS OL Eric Herman-PS DL Cullen Jenkins	2 UMass 1 Ohio 12 Central Michigan	Tennessee (1) P Brett Kern	7 Toledo
Dallas (3) DT Ken Bishop S Barry Church OT Doug Free	R Northern Illinois 5 Toledo 8 Northern Illinois	N.Y. Jets (5) DE Jason Babin LB Nick Bellore DB Jaiquawn Jarrett DT Muhammad Wilkerson OL Brian Winters	11 Western Michigan 4 Central Michigan 3 Temple 4 Temple 2 Kent State	Washington (2) DB E.J. Biggers OL Kory Lichtensteiger	6 Western Michigan 6 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 Miami (Ohio) 6 Temple 1 Temple 2 Northern Illinois 8 Central Florida 1 Temple	Oakland (4) DB Travis Carrie LB Khalil Mack WR Rod Streater DB Usama Young	R Ohio R Buffalo 3 Temple 8 Kent State	PS - Practice Squad IR - Injured-Reserve List (80 former MAC student-athletes on NFL Rosters on Sept. 24, 2014)	
Detroit (3) DE Jason Jones TE Jordan Thompson-PS LB Tahir Whitehead	7 Eastern Michigan 1 Ohio 3 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	R Kent State R UMass 5 Central Michigan 9 Toledo 12 Kent State 6 Ohio 9 Toledo 11 Miami (Ohio) 10 Bowling Green	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. 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.	
Green Bay (5) LB Jayrone Elliott OL T.J. Lang DL Andy Mulumba-IR OL Josh Sitton RB James Starks	R Toledo 6 Eastern Michigan 2 Eastern Michigan 7 Central Florida 5 Buffalo				
Houston (1) OL Brandon Brooks	2 Miami (Ohio)				

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 (3-2; 1-0)

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	Miami leads 16-6-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Ohio	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Ohio leads 17-12-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Ball State	TBA	TBA	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 (1-4; 0-1)

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	WMU leads 21-19
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Central Michigan	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	BSU leads 24-21-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*Akron	TBA	TBA	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 (4-2; 2-0)

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	BGSU leads 38-25-2
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 (3-3; 1-1)

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	EMU leads 5-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*Central Michigan	TBA	TBA	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 (3-3; 1-1)

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	CMU leads 25-23-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*Ball State	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	BSU leads 22-23-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Buffalo	TBA	TBA	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 (1-4; 0-1)

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	EMU leads 5-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*at UMass	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 25	*Northern Illinois	TBA	TBA	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 (0-5; 0-2)

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	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 18	Army	3:30 pm ET	ESPN3	Army leads 2-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Miami	2:30 pm ET	TBA	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 (0-6; 0-2)

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	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 18	*Eastern Michigan	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3	First meeting
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Toledo	2:00 pm ET	TBA	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	ESPNU/ESPN3	Series tied 1-1
Fri., Nov. 28	*Buffalo	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3	Buffalo leads 6-5
*Mid-American Conference game				



2014 Miami RedHawks (1-5; 1-1)

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	Miami leads 16-6-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Northern Illinois	5:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Series tied 7-7
Sat., Oct. 25	*Kent State	2:30 pm ET	TBA	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 (4-1; 1-0)

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	ESPN3	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	CMU leads 25-23-1
Sat., Oct. 18	*Miami	5:00 pm ET/4:00 pm CT	ESPN3	Miami leads 8-7
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA	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 (3-3; 1-1)

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	ESPN3	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	BGSU leads 38-25-2
Sat., Oct. 18	*Akron	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3	Ohio leads 17-12-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*at Western Michigan	TBA	TBA	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 (4-2; 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	Series tied 1-1
Sat., Oct. 25	*UMass	2:00 pm ET	TBA	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 (2-3; 0-1)			
Date	Opponent	Time	Television
Sat., Aug. 30	at Purdue	Noon ET	ESPN
Sat., Sept. 13	at Idaho	5:00 pm ET	ESPN3
Sat., Sept. 20	Murray State	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3
Sat., Sept. 27	at Virginia Tech	12:30 pm ET	ACC Network
Sat., Oct. 4	*Toledo	7:00 pm ET	ESPN3
Sat., Oct. 11	*at Ball State	3:00 pm ET	ESPN3
Sat., Oct. 18	*at Bowling Green	2:00 pm ET	ESPN3/BCSN
Sat., Oct. 25	*Ohio	TBA	TBA
Sat., Nov. 1	*at Miami	TBA	TBA
Sat., Nov. 15	*Eastern Michigan	TBA	TBA
Sat., Nov. 22	*at Central Michigan	TBA	TBA
Fri., Nov. 28	*Northern Illinois	TBA	ESPNU/ESPN3
Series/Results			
		L, 34-43	
		W, 45-33	
		W, 45-14	
		L, 17-35	
		L, 19-20 (OT)	
		WMU leads 20-19	
		BGSU leads 31-17-3	
		WMU leads 30-28-1	
		Miami leads 37-19-1	
		WMU leads 29-17-2	
		WMU leads 45-37-2	
		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): (0-2)
 Baylor (Buffalo): (0-1); L, 21-63
 Iowa State (Toledo)
 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

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

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