

SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL

NCAA FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION PLAYOFFS

FIRST ROUND

Saturday, Nov. 28

Western Illinois (6-5) at Dayton (10-1), 11 a.m.  
 Fordham (9-2) at Chattanooga (8-3), noon  
 The Citadel (8-3) at Coastal Carolina (9-2), 1 p.m.  
 Southern Utah (8-3) at Sam Houston State (8-3), 2 p.m.  
 South Dakota State (8-3) at Montana (7-4), 2 p.m.  
 Colgate (7-4) at New Hampshire (7-4), 2:30 p.m.  
 Duquesne (8-3) at William & Mary (8-3), 2:30 p.m.  
 Eastern Illinois (7-4) at Northern Iowa (7-4), 4 p.m.

(11-1), Noon  
 Grand Valley State (10-2) at Ferris State (11-0), Noon  
 Tuskegee (9-2) at North Alabama (9-2), 1 p.m.  
 Emporia State (10-2) at Henderson State (11-1), 1 p.m.  
 Colorado State-Pueblo (11-1) at Midwestern State (Texas) (10-1), 2 p.m.  
 Humboldt State (10-1) at Northwest Missouri State (10-0), 2 p.m.

NAIA PLAYOFFS

Quarterfinals, Saturday, Nov. 28

Montana Tech (10-1) at Saint Francis (Ind.) (10-0), 11 a.m.  
 Southern Oregon (9-2) at Baker (Kan.) (11-1), noon  
 Marian (Ind.) (9-2) at Grand View (Iowa) (11-1), noon  
 Tabor (Kan.) (11-1) at Morningside (Iowa) (11-1), noon

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE AMERICAN CONFERENCE

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
10	0	0	1.000	323	182
5	0	0	500	244	227
5	0	0	500	234	208
4	0	0	400	205	249

AREA CALENDAR

Saturday, November 28 BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD

at Sacramento State (5:30 p.m., KVHT-FM)  
**BASKETBALL, WOMEN'S**  
 Florida Atlantic Thanksgiving Tour. (USD vs. Florida Atlantic, 1:30 p.m., KVHT-FM)  
**FOOTBALL, COLLEGE FCS**  
 Playoffs First Round  
**HOCKEY, GIRLS' JV** Aberdeen at Yankton (DH, 3 & 7 p.m.)  
**HOCKEY, PEWEE** Brookings at Yankton B (DH, 1:15 & 5:30 p.m.)

Sunday, November 29 BASKETBALL, MEN'S USD

vs. Eastern Washington at Sacramento, Calif. (4:30 p.m., KVHT-FM)  
**HOCKEY, BANTAM** Yankton at S.F. West (10:30 a.m.)  
**HOCKEY, PEWEE** Sioux Center at Yankton C (11 a.m.)  
**Monday, November 30**  
**GYMNASTICS, PREP** Mitchell/Parkston-Ethan-Hanson at YHS (5:30 p.m.)

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
11	0	0	1.000	332	205
6	4	0	600	250	214
5	5	0	500	236	254
4	6	0	400	255	315

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Okonoboh Asks For Release From UNLV

LAS VEGAS (AP) — UNLV coach Dave Rice said Friday that sophomore forward Goodluck Okonoboh is leaving the program and will be granted his release.

"We appreciate all that Goodluck has done for our program," Rice said. "We wish him the best in the future."

Okonoboh appeared in all six of UNLV's games this season, starting two. He averaged 3.5 points, 3.0 rebounds and 15.2 minutes.

Okonoboh is UNLV's 11th transfer in Rice's five seasons at the helm.

The Runnin' Rebels (5-1) are coming off a win over No. 13 Indiana on Wednesday in

the Maui Invitational. UNLV hosts Prairie View A&M on Saturday night.

UNLV hosts South Dakota on Dec. 22. The game is the return trip for the Runnin' Rebels' trip to Sioux Falls to play the Coyotes at the Sanford Pentagon in the 2014-15 season.

College

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but Jacksonville committed one turnover, four fouls and missed twice from 3-point range in the final two minutes. Thirteen of Jacksonville's 22 field goals were 3s. Landis went 3-for-4 from the line in the last 44 seconds.

Minnesota 93,

Omaha 90

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Joey King wasn't happy about missing the last eight minutes of the first half. But he made good use of his time on the bench.

King hit four second-half 3-pointers and finished with 18 points to help Minnesota hold off Nebraska-Omaha 93-90 on Friday.

The senior forward is Minnesota's leading scorer, but when he picked up his second foul with 7:25 to play in the first half, he found himself on the bench for the rest of the half.

"I was a little frustrated with that," King said, who took just two shots in the first half. "But having to sit those last eight minutes I

was able to watch the game and see what was going on. They were playing tough in the post, slapping down, and that's when I realized if we maybe ran some plays where we freed up some space, I'd find some open 3s."

King hit all four 3-pointers he took in the second half, including one that rolled around the rim before dropping through to put Minnesota ahead 80-75 with five minutes to play.

Bakory Konate added 14 points with 10 rebounds, both career highs, for the Golden Gophers (4-2). Carlos Morris scored 17 points, Nate Mason added 16 and freshman Jordan Murphy chipped in 14.

Jake White scored 23 points to lead Omaha (3-3). Tre'Shawn Thurman added 16 points and 10 rebounds, but missed a chance to tie the game in a wild finish.

Georgia State 78,

IUPUI 72, OT

ATLANTA (AP) — Jeremy Hollowell scored 18 points and had the go-ahead 3-point play to help Georgia State get past IUPUI in a 78-72 overtime win Friday night.

After losing a double-digit lead late in the second half, Georgia State (3-1) got a pair

of free throws from Isaiah Williams with just a second left in regulation to tie the game at 67 and force the extra period.

IUPUI (2-5) scored first in overtime on Darell Combs' bucket but Hollowell responded with a layup at the other end and drew the foul, sending him to the line for the 3-point play that gave Georgia State the lead and sparked a 6-0 spurt. Williams, who finished with 13 points, cemented the win with 5-of-6 shooting from the line in the final 49 seconds.

The Panthers shot 57 percent from the field and went 20 for 28 from the line.

Jordan Pickett led IUPUI with 19 points.

No. 17 Notre Dame 68,

Iowa 62

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — V.J. Beachem scored 16 points, Demetrius Jackson had 12 and No. 17 Notre Dame beat Iowa 68-62 in the consolation round of the AdvoCare Invitational on Friday night.

Bonzie Colson had a pair of layups and Jackson added a third as Notre Dame (4-1) used a 9-2 stretch for a 63-55 lead late.

Jarrod Uthoff had 20 points for Iowa (3-2).

Hawkeyes

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King, the national co-leader with eight interceptions and a Jim Thorpe Award finalist, was suspended for the first quarter for being late to a team meeting. He muffed a punt early in the second quarter that led to Nebraska's first touchdown and was called for a late hit in the fourth quarter.

Nebraska pulled to 21-17 on Imani Cross' 4-yard run

in the middle of the third quarter.

Canzeri then ripped off his 68-yard touchdown run to make it an 11-point game.

The Huskers got a 42-yard field goal from Drew Brown to pull to 28-20, but Henry Krieger Coble recovered the onside kick, and the Hawkeyes ran out the clock.

No. 3 IOWA 28, NEBRASKA 20

IOWA ..... 0 14 14 0 — 28  
 NEBRASKA ..... 0 10 7 3 — 20

Second Quarter  
 Iowa—Kittle 10 pass from Beathard (Koehn kick), 13:50.  
 Neb—Cross 4 run (Brown kick), 10:18.  
 Iowa—Hesse 4 interception return (Koehn kick), 6:38.  
 Neb—FG Brown 39, 0:3.  
 Third Quarter

Iowa—Canzeri 29 run (Koehn kick), 12:17.  
 Neb—Cross 4 run (Brown kick), 7:00.  
 Iowa—Canzeri 68 run (Koehn kick), 6:43.

Fourth Quarter  
 Neb—FG Brown 42, 1:17.  
 A—90:00.

	Iowa	Neb
First downs	11	22
Rushes-yards	28-153	38-137
Passing	97	296
Comp-Att-Int	9-16-0	25-45-4
Return Yards	109	0
Punts-Avg.	9-30:6	5-44:6
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-54	8-95
Time of Possession	23:54	36:06

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Iowa, Canzeri 17-140, VandeBerg 1-9, Beathard 3-5, Daniels, Jr. 5-2, Team 2-(minus 3), Nebraska, Cross 19-55, Armstrong 9-46, T.Newby 9-34, Reilly 1-2.  
 PASSING—Iowa, Beathard 9-16-0-97, Nebraska, Armstrong 25-45-4-296.  
 RECEIVING—Iowa, VandeBerg 3-31, Kittle 2-35, Krieger Coble 2-24, Plewa 1-4, T.Smith 1-3, Nebraska, T.Newby 5-22, Carter 4-76, Turner 4-26, Reilly 3-50, Morgan 3-44, Westerkamp 2-41, Moore 2-17, Cotton 1-14, Hovey 1-6.

Jacks

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SDSU, then ranked No. 5, lost 30-24 to Western Illinois in double overtime to fumble the chance to host a playoff game.

"After last week, 10 hours (stranded) in the airport (because of a snowstorm) and a four-hour trip by bus (another snowstorm and accidents greeted them in Illinois) ... we'll feel like we're in heaven," Stigelmeier said of the travel situation to Montana.

This game will mark the third consecutive year SDSU has opened the playoffs against a Big Sky Conference opponent. Last year the Jacks outlasted Montana State 47-40. In 2013, SDSU drilled Northern Arizona 26-7.

The last time they faced the Grizzlies in the playoffs the result wasn't as pretty as the beginning.

In 2009, SDSU lost to Montana in a 61-48 come-from-behind shootout. The

Jackrabbits led 34-14 at half, but thanks to five touchdowns in the fourth quarter, the Grizzlies prevailed, only to lose to Villanova in the championship.

Since 2000, Montana has won one FCS championship and finished as runner-up four times.

This year's Grizzlies are 7-4 and finished second in the Big Sky after proving to be resilient.

They shocked NDSU — last year's national champion — to open the season. But they lost four of the next seven games before winning out just to make the playoffs.

They are coming off a 54-35 win against rival Montana State last weekend, and the Grizzlies seem to have found the spark they needed to push them into the playoffs.

Starting quarterback Brady Gustafson sat most of the season after suffering a broken leg against Liberty in the third week of the season. He has made a strong comeback as evidenced by his day last week against the Bobcats: 353 yards on 23-of-39

passing for four touchdowns and one interception.

Montana's offense is averaging 31.9 points a game and roughly 438 yards. Compare that to the Jacks, who have averaged 29.5 points and 417.4 yards a game.

Montana coach Bob Stitt plans to keep the Grizzly game plan simple.

"Offensively we need to start over, and let's put some first downs together. Let's move the ball and let it come to us," Stitt said.

Quarterbacks Zach Lujan and the unpredictable play-making ability of freshman quarterback Taryn Christian have powered SDSU's offensive attack.

Both players have thrown for more than 1,000 yards on the season. Lujan, a junior, has racked up 1,861 yards and 14 TD's, while Christian has thrown for 1,056 yards and six touchdowns. Add to that 293 rush yards and four rushing touchdowns.

So don't be surprised if both quarterbacks see action Saturday.

Defensively, SDSU is allow-

Hoops

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points to give the Terrapins a 56-52 lead with 1:26 left. Madison Guebert hit a 3-pointer 24 seconds later to get the Jackrabbits within one. That was the last point they would get and Maryland hit four of six free throws in the last 1:02 seconds to seal the win.

Macy Miller scored 13 points and Guebert added 11 to lead South Dakota State (3-2).

The Terrapins got off to a quick start outscoring the Jackrabbits 17-4 in the first quarter behind Walker-Kimbrough and Jones. The pair combined to score the first 15 points for Maryland.

Maryland was up 10 at the half before the Jackrabbits rallied. They tied it at 46 on a 3-pointer by Gabrielle Boever, her only points of the game. Miller's layup with 5:36 left gave South Dakota State it's only lead at 50-48.

**TIP-INS:**  
 Maryland: The Terrapins have been ranked in 97 straight Associated Press polls, dating to the preseason poll of the 2010-11 season. ... Jones' career high for points

(24) was set against Illinois last season.

South Dakota State: The Jackrabbits have played Maryland once before, losing in Cancun, Mexico, in 2008. ... The Jackrabbits are 16-13 in regular-season tournaments.

**UP NEXT:**  
 Maryland will face Pittsburgh on Saturday.  
 South Dakota State will play Old Dominion on Saturday.

No. 6 MARYLAND 62, S. DAKOTA ST. 55  
 MARYLAND (5-0)  
 Gillespie 1-5 0-0 2, Leslie 0-6 0-0 0, Pavlech 0-2 3-4 3, Walker-Kimbrough 7-18 5-6 20, Jones 10-15 1-2-1, Mosley 2-5 2-2 6, Howard 1-3 0-0 2, Conroy 1-5 0-0 2, Pirman 3-9 0-0 6, Totals 55-68 11-14 62.

S. DAKOTA ST. (3-2)  
 Young 3-6 0-0 7, Guebert 3-7 2-2 11, Miller 4-12 5-6 13, Ober 2-5 1-2 6, Thompson 4-10 1-4 10, Alexander 1-4 0-0 2, Boever 1-8 0-0 3, Cornemann 1-2 0-0 3, Mieras 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 19-54 9-14 55.

3-Point Goals—Maryland 1-10 (Walker-Kimbrough 1-5, Pirman 0-1, Gillespie 0-1, Leslie 0-1, Conroy 0-1, Moseley 0-1), S. Dakota St. 8-25 (Guebert 3-7, Ober 1-2, Cornemann 1-2, Young 1-2, Thompson 1-3, Boever 1-4, Alexander 0-1, Miller 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Maryland 45 (Jones 13), S. Dakota St. 33 (Thompson 9). Assists—Maryland 11 (Walker-Kimbrough 4), S. Dakota St. 13 (Young 4). Total Fouls—Maryland 13, S. Dakota St. 15. A, NA.

Sioux Falls 66,

Florida Tech 43

MELSBORNE, Fla. — Sioux Falls' Taylor Varsho hit six three-pointers, finishing with a game-high 24 points in a 66-43 rout of Florida Tech on Friday in Melsbourne, Florida.  
 Allison Klostergaard (Beresford) and Maria Malloy

(Parkston) each had six points for USF. Klostergaard also had six rebounds, three assists and two blocked shots.  
 Shequana Harris led Floridai Tech with 16 points and four steals.

Dak. Wesleyan 75,

Southwestern 65

HASTINGS, Neb. — Amber Bray notched a double-double off the bench and Kristin Sabers netted 19 points to lead Dakota Wesleyan past Southwestern (Kan.) 75-65 at the Hastings College Thanksgiving Classic on Friday.

Bray finished with 22 points and 10 rebounds, and Sabers had 19 points for DWU (6-1). Erica Herrold (Parkston) scored nine points. Ashley Bray had a team-high 14 rebounds in the win.

Jana Reichenberger led Southwestern (2-6) with 19 points.

SDSU 55, Pitt 54

ST. THOMAS, U.S. Virgin Islands — Kerr Young led three players in double figures as South Dakota State edged Pittsburg 55-54 at the Paradise Jam women's basketball tournament on Thursday.

Macy Miller netted 13 points and Ellie Thompson had 11 points for SDSU. Chloe Cornemann (Yankton) finished with five points.  
 Shasha Carey and Aysia Bugg each scored 15 points for Pitt.

**YELLOW FLAGS:** The Vikings went into last Sunday's game as the least-penalized team in the league. But they had eight flags accepted by Green Bay, for a total of 110 yards. "I don't think we're too concerned with the penalties," linebacker Anthony Barr insisted. "I think we're more upset with how we played."

**BALL SECURITY:** Atlanta's slump can largely be attributed to sloppiness with the ball. After committing just two turnovers in the first four games, the Falcons have given it up 16 times in their last six contests. They matched a season-high with four turnovers against the Colts, and two of them came on the first play of second-half possessions. That was a major reason Atlanta managed only 52 yards over its final seven drives, with as many turnovers as first downs (three each).

**SHAKY LINE:** The Vikings are missing two starting offensive linemen for the season, center John Sullivan (back) and right tackle Phil Loadholt (Achilles tendon). The guys up front will be the biggest concern down the stretch, especially after the Vikings surrendered six sacks and many more pressures against the Packers. The Falcons have struggled to get pressure on the quarterback, so this might their chance to shine.

Vikings

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thing," Newman moaned. "It's one game, and we didn't play the best that we could."

Vikings coach Mike Zimmer said it's important to stop the bleeding now.

Minnesota still controls its fate in the NFC Central. The loss to the Packers was only a minor wound, one that can be quickly patched up with a victory over the Falcons.

"The biggest mistake that we can make is that we let that loss become more than one," Zimmer said. "You get beat once, shame on us, but two of them, then it's shame on me."

The Falcons will hold out running back Devonta Freeman, who left last week's loss to the Colts with a concussion. Rookie Tevin Coleman is expected to start.

Shayne Graham, signed on Thursday, will fill in for Falcons kicker Matt Bryant, who will miss the game with a right quadriceps injury. Also, wide receiver Leonard Hankerson will be held out with a hamstring injury.

Since the 1970 NFL-AFL merger, 66 of 72 teams that started 5-0 went on to make the playoffs. If the Falcons don't start winning some close ones, they're going to buck that trend.

Montana

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Meanwhile, SDSU has given up 184 points all year — including 38 in its 41-38 season-opening win over Kansas. The Jackrabbits gave up just over 10 points per game over the next seven games, but allowed an average of 24 points over the final three games, including a 30-24 double overtime loss to Western Illinois that knocked them out of the Top 5.

"We gave up way too many first downs the last couple games," Stiegelmeier said. "We're lucky to have beat the University of South Dakota," after overcoming a 20-point deficit.

"It's catching up to us, is what I'm saying. We need to

get back to playing good defense in every phase on the football field," Stiegelmeier added.

Montana's defense has kept the team in some games this year as the Griz played with their second-string and then third-string quarterbacks.

Linebacker Kendrick Van Ackeren has 125 total tackles and two interceptions this season.

"Every week you know what you're going to get out of him," Stitt told the Great Falls Tribune. "He flies around and makes plays. He's one of the smartest guys out on the field, which is why he's always in the right place at the right time."

Jeremiah Kose recorded 95 tackles while Tyrone Homes leads the Griz with 20 tackles for a loss and 14

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