

SCOREBOARD

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AUTO RACING

Rank	Driver	Time
19.	Ottawa (Kan.)	3:2 82 21
20.	Valley City State	4-1 80 23
21.	Bethel (Tenn.)	4-1 71 --
22.	Shorter (Ga.)	4-1 62 --
23.	Rocky Mountain	4-2 52 --
24.	Mundland (Neb.)	3-2 51 14
25.	Cumberland (Tenn.)	3-1 40 --

NASCAR SPRINT CUP

Rank	Driver	Points
1.	Kevin Harvick	2,122
2.	Carl Edwards	2,122
3.	Tony Stewart	2,113
4.	Kurt Busch	2,113
5.	Jimmie Johnson	2,109
6.	Brad Keselowski	2,108
7.	Matt Kenseth	2,108
8.	Kyle Busch	2,107
9.	Jeff Gordon	2,103
10.	Dale Earnhardt Jr.	2,088
11.	Ryan Newman	2,081
12.	Denny Hamlin	2,054
13.	Clint Bowyer	811
14.	A.J. Allmendinger	809
15.	Greg Biffle	789
16.	Mark Martin	775
17.	Kasey Kahne	775
18.	David Ragan	771
19.	Juan Pablo Montoya	767
20.	Martin Truex Jr.	761

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	3	1	0	.750	133	96
New England	3	1	0	.750	135	98
N.Y. Jets	2	2	0	.500	100	95
Miami	0	4	0	.000	69	104

BASEBALL

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	3	1	0	.750	119	57
Cincinnati	2	2	0	.500	80	74
Cleveland	2	2	0	.500	74	63
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	.500	64	72

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Diego	3	1	0	.750	91	85
Oakland	2	2	0	.500	111	113
Denver	1	3	0	.250	81	111
Kansas City	1	3	0	.250	49	126

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Washington	3	1	0	.750	83	63
N.Y. Giants	3	1	0	.750	102	87
Dallas	2	2	0	.500	99	101
Philadelphia	1	3	0	.250	101	101

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	3	1	0	.750	127	98
Tampa Bay	2	2	0	.500	90	105
Atlanta	2	2	0	.500	90	105
Carolina	1	3	0	.250	89	102

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	4	0	0	1.000	148	97
Krissoff	4	0	0	1.000	135	76
Chicago	2	2	0	.500	94	96
Minnesota	0	4	0	.000	77	96

Team	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	3	1	0	.750	94	75
Seattle	1	3	0	.250	58	87
Arizona	1	3	0	.250	86	87
St. Louis	0	4	0	.000	46	113

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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American Association
 AMARILLO SOX—Acquired OF Jason James from Windy City (Frontier) to complete an earlier trade.
 SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS—Re-assigned INF John Schermhorn.
Football
 Arena Football League
 ARIZONA RATTLERS—Signed DL Gerald Williams and DL Victor Thomas.
 SAN JOSE SABERCATS—Named Cedric Walker defensive coordinator.
 Canadian Football League
 WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS—Added QB Michael Bishop to the practice roster.
HOCKEY
 National Hockey League
 CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—As-

signed G Alexander Satak, F Jimmy Hayes, F Marcus Kruger, F Peter LeBlanc, F Brandon Pirri and D Dylan Olsen to Rockford (AHL). Agreed to terms with G Ray Emery on a one-year contract.

DETROIT RED WINGS—Signed F Fabian Brunstrom to a one-year contract.
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Placed C Sidney Crosby on the injured list.
SAN JOSE SHARKS—Signed LW Dustin Braun, F Benn Ferrelle and LW John McCarthy to Worcester (AHL).
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Re-assigned F Alex Hultschings and G Pat Nagle to Florida (ECHL).
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Assigned D Mike Zgonis and D Keith Aulie to Toronto (AHL). Waived F Darryl Boyce, F Joey Crabb and D Matt Lashoff.
WINNIPEG JETS—Agreed to terms with C Mark Scheifele on an entry-level contract. Acquired P Jamie Boreham from Saskatchewan for future considerations.
American Hockey League
BINGHAMTON SENATORS—Assigned G Brian Stewart to Elmira (ECHL).
BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS—Signed F Chris Langkow to a professional tryout contract.
CONNECTICUT WHALE—Re-assigned D Sam Klassen, F Max Campbell, F Brendan Connolly and F Jason Wilson to Greenville (ECHL). Released F Taylor Jordan and F Matt Rust.
NORFOLK ADMIRALS—Assigned F Phillip-Michael Devos to Florida (ECHL).
SYRACUSE CRUNCH—Returned F Sean Dolan to South Carolina (ECHL).
WESTERN MICHIGAN—Signed F Anthony Perdicaro, F Gabriel Levesque, F Ian O'Connor, F Mike Vaskivuo, D Any Yuliyak, D Frankie DeAngelis and D Brock Matheson.

MLB DIVISION SERIES

(Best-of-5; x-if necessary)
Friday, Sept. 30
 Tampa Bay 9, Texas 0
 New York 1, New York 1, 1 1/2 innings, suspended, rain
Saturday, Oct. 1
 Milwaukee 4, Arizona 1
 Philadelphia 11, St. Louis 6, Philadelphia leads series 1-0
 Texas 8, Tampa Bay 6
 New York 9, Detroit 3, comp. of susp. game
Sunday, Oct. 2
 Detroit 5, New York 3, series tied 1-1
 Philadelphia 9, Arizona 4, Milwaukee leads series 2-0
 St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 4, series tied 1-1
Monday, Oct. 3
 Texas 4, Tampa Bay 3, Texas leads series 2-1
 New York (Sabathia 19-8) at Detroit (Verlander 24-5), 7:37 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 4
 Texas (Harrison 14-9) at Tampa Bay (Hellickson 13-10), 1:07 p.m.
 Philadelphia (Hamels 14-9) at St. Louis (Garcia 13-7), 4:07 p.m.
 New York (Burnett 11-11) or Hughes 5-5) at Detroit (Porcello 14-9), 7:37 p.m.
 Milwaukee (Marum 13-7) at Arizona (Collmer 10-10), 8:37 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 5
 Philadelphia at St. Louis, 5:07 or 7:07 p.m.
 x-Milwaukee at Arizona, 7:07 or 8:37 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 6
 x-Tampa Bay at Texas, 4:07 or 7:07 p.m.
 x-Detroit at New York, 7:07 or 7:37 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 7
 x-Arizona at Milwaukee, 4:07 or 7:07 p.m.
 x-St. Louis at Philadelphia, 7:07 or 7:37 p.m.

COLLEGE

NCAA—Extended the suspensions of Ohio State RB Daniel Herron and WR DeVier Posey one additional game and suspended Ohio State OL Majors Hall one game for being overseas for summer work.
BOISE STATE—Announced the NCAA has reinstated WR Geraldo Boldewin to the football team.
GEORGE WASHINGTON—Named Brian Sereno executive director for athletics communications.
ILLINOIS—Suspended LB Jonathan Brown one game after he appeared to intentionally knee a Northwestern player during Saturday's game against Illinois.
IOWA—Suspended QB A.J. Darby two games after an incident outside a bar on Saturday night.
LOYOLA (MD)—Named Omar Iseal director of men's basketball operations.
MEMPHIS—Named Heather Mossler assistant softball coach.
NYU—Named Kacey McCaffrey acting women's swimming and diving coach.
OKLAHOMA—Reinstated WR Trey Franks to the football team.
SAINT JOSEPH—Promoted Ronnie Shields to associate athletic director/Name Center men's administrator. Named Dan Keating and Mike Keating men's assistant lacrosse coaches.
SHENANDOAH—Named Becca Watkins women's assistant lacrosse coach.

Huskers' QB: I Do 'Good Job' Reading Defenses

BY ERIC OLSON
AP Sports Writer

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Throwing three interceptions in four possessions against Wisconsin apparently hasn't shaken Nebraska quarterback Taylor Martinez's confidence.

Not that he was happy about those game-changing picks.

Asked Monday to assess his ability to read defenses, Martinez said without hesitation that he does a "good job." And he said he doesn't care if he gets criticized for the comment by people who watched the interceptions turn a close game with the Badgers into a 48-17 loss Saturday night.

"You guys rip me anyway, so it really doesn't matter," Martinez told reporters near the end of a news conference in which he tersely answered 20 questions in less than 4 minutes.

Coach Bo Pelini is standing by Martinez as the 14th-ranked Cornhuskers (4-1, 0-1 Big Ten) begin preparations for Saturday's home game against Ohio State (3-2, 0-1). He said the gap between the sophomore and redshirt freshman backup Brion Carnes is "pretty wide."

"Let's face it, the quarterback position is always going to be under the microscope," Pelini said. "Trust me, Taylor had a couple throws he'd like back the other night, a couple things he did he'd like back. When you look at what he's done over the bulk of the season, I'm glad he's our quarterback."

Martinez has been an occasional game-breaker as a runner in his two seasons as the starter, but his decision-making as a passer has hurt the Huskers in some of the biggest games. He has thrown five interceptions and no touchdown passes in his last three games against Top 25 opponents, all losses.

The Huskers led the fourth-ranked Badgers 14-13 in the second

Three Ohio State Players Suspended for Nebraska Game

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Ohio State is in trouble with the NCAA again, this time because three Buckeyes players — including two who have already been sitting out for taking cash and free tattoos — accepted too much money for too little work in their summer jobs.

Last year's leading rusher, Daniel Herron, and the top returning receiver, DeVier Posey, along with offensive lineman Marcus Hall will not be permitted to play when the Buckeyes play at No. 14 Nebraska on Saturday.

Athletic Director Gene Smith insisted at a Monday afternoon news conference that there was no "systemic" problem at Ohio State, which has admitted to having several players involved in different NCAA violations over the past 10 months.

He blamed it all on the athletes, former coach Jim Tressel and a booster who on Monday was

banned from further contact with the Buckeyes.

"These failures are individual failures: failures of individual athletes, and as you know unfortunately a previous coach, and a booster," Smith said when asked if the latest violations will lead to more serious institutional charges of lack of control and failure to monitor from the NCAA. "So it's not a systemic failure of compliance. I'm optimistic and I'm confident that we will not have those charges."

Herron and Posey had five-game suspensions extended. They were expected to be reinstated to play this week but now Ohio State is hoping the NCAA might allow them back on the field for the seventh game.

Hall was suspended for the first time.

Two other players also were overpaid for the summer work,

which included working at a car wash or picking up scrap metal. Defensive lineman Melvin Fellows is out with a medical hardship and starting linebacker Etienne Sabino has already been reinstated by the NCAA.

The booster who paid the players, a Cleveland-area businessman named Bobby DiGeronimo, was dissociated from the program after years of being a friend of Buckeyes football players and a major fan. Smith declined to answer a question about why Ohio State had not looked closer at DiGeronimo and his relationship with players.

Smith said he did not think the latest self-reported violations would cause the NCAA to come down harder on Ohio State's athletic programs. But he said he believed that it will now take longer for the committee on infractions to arrive at the penalties.

ond quarter before Martinez's three interceptions allowed Wisconsin to take control.

On the first, linebacker Mike Taylor showed blitz before he dropped into coverage. Martinez threw the ball right at Taylor as if he didn't see him.

On the second, Martinez appeared to look only at Jamal Turner but overthrew him, and Aaron Henry made the interception.

On the third, which came on the first play of the second half, Martinez rolled out and threw behind Quincy Enunwa along the sideline. Cornerback Antonio Fenelus picked it off.

"We tried to make some throws that weren't there," Pelini said.

Martinez has run for more than 100 yards twice this season and is averaging 96 a game. But he has completed only 51 percent of his passes, and he's thrown five interceptions and four touchdowns.

"At times he gets impatient and

I think he thinks he needs to win the game by himself, and that's part of the growth of a quarterback," Pelini said. "You have to let the game come to you. You have to read it. You're not going to make a big play on every down."

It probably was hard for Martinez to stop pressing against Wisconsin, offensive coordinator Tim Beck said.

"The whole game was built up as him versus Russell Wilson," Beck said. "I don't know how the kid even managed that. I tried to talk to him before the game — don't make it that. It's Nebraska versus Wisconsin. I don't know if I could have (managed it) as a sophomore in college."

Martinez has the support of his teammates, and receiver Tim Marlowe said the quarterback was upbeat at a team meeting Sunday.

"We'll follow Taylor any day. We know he's going to get after it this week," Marlowe said.

Receiver Brandon Kinnie said,

"Yeah, he's our guy. Heck, yeah. He's our quarterback, so we've got 100 percent faith in him, confidence in him, and he's going to take it with a chip on his shoulder."

That chip was evident during Martinez's brief session with reporters. He offered no more than four- or five-word responses to most questions and refused to answer when asked whether he sometimes tries to force plays.

When asked if it's hard to take criticism from fans and media, Martinez said, "I don't read anything you guys say anyway."

The Huskers will need to shake off the poor showing in their Big Ten debut in time for the Buckeyes and focus on football. The team said, without elaboration, that they had dealt with freshman defensive tackle Chase Rome, who received a \$326 ticket from Madison, Wis., police for damaging an airport paper towel dispenser after the loss to the Badgers.

Volleyball

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three ace serves. Katherin Luke finished with 11 assists and 12 digs. Devin Nelson had eight assists and 10 digs in the victory.

Natalie Miller posted nine kills, six digs and seven ace serves to lead Freeman Academy. Christina Hofer had nine digs and Jamie Tschetter added three ace serves for the Bobcats.

Marion hosts Menno Friday. Freeman Academy takes on Tri-Valley Conference rival Centerville Thursday on the road.

Marion won the JV match 25-18, 25-9.

FREEMAN ACADEMY (0-9).....12 16 17
 MARION (11-7).....25 25 25

McCook Central-Mont. 3, Baltic 2

SALEM — McCook Central-Montrose escaped Baltic 25-16, 22-25, 25-12, 24-26, 25-11 in prep volleyball action Monday night.

Steph Heumiller led MCM with 38 assists, six ace serves and 15 digs. Sierra Miles had 14 kills, Kelly Binder had nine kills and Chelsie Wallace had 16 digs in the win.

For Baltic, Shelby Vosburg posted 12 kills and eight blocks. Megan and Chelsey Foster each had 13 digs for the Bulldogs.

MCM, 9-8, travels to Howard today (Tuesday). Baltic, 8-7, heads to Elkton-Lake Benton today.

BALTIC (8-7).....16 25 12 26 11
 MCCOOK CENTRAL-MONTROSE (9-8).....25 22 25 24 15

Corsica-Stickney 3, Dakota Christian 0

CORSICA — Corsica-Stickney swept Dakota Christian 25-15, 25-19, 25-18 in prep volleyball action Monday.

Cassie Bamberg had nine kills and 10 digs, and Emily Van Roekel posted six ace serves and 15 digs to lead Corsica-Stickney. Brianna Kuyper finished with 18 assists. Darby Bultje had five ace serves, Missy Johnson posted 12 digs and Breanna Blom added three blocks in the victory.

For Dakota Christian, Amy Overweg had three kills and two ace serves, and Amber Baan Hoffman had three assists and two ace serves. Kim Veurink had eight digs and Brooklyn Vander Pol added three blocks for the Cadet defense.

Corsica-Stickney, 10-6, hosts South Central Thursday in Corsica. Dakota Christian travels to Bon Homme today (Tuesday).

CORSICA-STICKNEY (10-6).....25 25 25
 DAKOTA CHRISTIAN (3-12).....15 19 18

Coyotes

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A hitting percentage of .312, with just three attack errors, keyed the USD victory. Walseth and Bulaga each had four kills, while Reed and Amber Aschoff had three apiece.

The third set only proved that SDSU had no answer for the Coyote sluggers — Reed added seven kills and Walseth pounded home five.

"They're scrappy; they're always working hard and their energy was something I don't think we were expecting," Fiegen said.

The fourth set was back to being a little more even. USD led

23-20 before an SDSU timeout, which keyed the Jacks to two points. But it wasn't enough.

SDSU simply had no defense for USD's balanced attack.

As they have been trying to establish in the absence of Krittenbrink, that is exactly what the Coyotes want, Houk said.

"Doing this, without a huge ingredient in our lineup, is huge for the future of our program," he said. "People are learning that we're not all about one player. But when she does come back, the other girls can say, 'Look at how well-round we can be.'"

Yori Recovering From Health Issues

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska coach Connie Yori was hospitalized for almost a month because of surgery complications, but she was able to stop by her team's first practice for a few minutes.

The athletic department announced Yori's health problems Monday. She said in a statement that she hopes to resume some of her duties by next week, and she thanked those close to her for their support.

Yori underwent arthroscopic surgery Aug. 19 to repair damage to her left knee dating to her playing days in the 1980s.

She was hospitalized a week for a staph infection Sept. 5. She was home four days before she was hospitalized again with a blood clot in the knee. She was released Friday.

ALDS

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when Michael Gonzales struck out Damon. Feliz came on to fan Zorbrist with the tying and go-ahead runs in scoring position.

Price lost at home to Cliff Lee and the Rangers twice in last year's ALDS and was coming off a disappointing outing against the Yankees in which he allowed six runs in four innings of a game that the Rays needed to win to ensure they stayed alive for the wild-card berth on the final night.

Tampa Bay rallied from a seven-run deficit to grab the playoff spot on Longoria's homer, but that didn't stop questions about whether the Rays could count on him in a big game.

The 26-year-old lefty was 0-5 with a 5.40 ERA in eight career starts against Texas before Monday.

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Fall Craft Bazaar

Friday, October 14th
7:00am to 5: