

SCOREBOARD

VOLLEYBALL

FRIDAY'S NEB. SCORES

Alma def. Kenesaw, 25-12, 25-12, 25-21
 Anselmy-Litchfield def. Twin Loup, 25-7, 25-16, 25-12
 Arthur County def. Minatare, 25-14, 25-18, 25-7
 Franklin def. Blue Hill, 20-25, 25-14, 25-12
 Silver Lake def. McPherson County, 25-8, 25-13, 25-15
 Wauneta-Palisade def. Maywood, 25-11, 25-19, 25-12
 Wilcox-Hildreth def. Hayes Center, 25-19, 25-14, 20-25, 25-15
Allison Weston Invitational
 Millard North def. Omaha Burke, 22-25, 25-23, 25-22
 Millard West def. Omaha Central, 25-9, 25-11
 Millard West def. Millard North, 25-16, 25-21
 Millard West def. Papillion-LaVista South, 25-22, 25-23
 Papillion-LaVista def. Millard North, 25-14, 25-10
 Papillion-LaVista def. Omaha Burke, 25-17, 25-8
 Papillion-LaVista def. Omaha Central, 25-15, 25-10
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Lennox 38, Milbank Area 6
 Madison 21, West Central 9
 McCook Central/Montrose 49, Elk Point-Jefferson 0
 Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 36, Freeman Parkston 35, Winner 18
 Pierre 37, Huron 6
 Rapid City Stevens 28, Spearfish 6
 Redfield/Doland 46, Chamberlain 14
 Sioux Falls Christian 46, Flanrau 13
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 Anselmy-Litchfield 28, Twin Loup 8
 Aquinas 38, Yutan 0
 Arapahoe 48, Axtell 12
 Arcadia-Loup City 29, Ravenna 14
 Archbishop Bergan 46, Tekamah-Herman 6
 Arthur County 33, Minatare 28
 Ashland-Greenwood 48, Arlington 7
 Aurora 20, McCook 19
 Battle Creek 43, Crofton 0
 Beatrice 54, Elkhorn Mount Michael 0
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 Falls City 32, Auburn 0
 Falls City Sacred Heart 66, Johnson-Brock 14
 Fort Calhoun 48, Douglas County West 0

Friend 44, McCool Junction 24
 Fullerton 60, Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family 20
 Gibbon 58, Wood River 13
 Grand Island Central Catholic 22, Central City 19
 Gretna 44, Plattevue 20
 Guardian Angels 74, Plainview 6
 Hartington 20, Wakefield 14
 Hartington Cedar Catholic 42, West Holt 7
 Hastings St. Cecilia 21, Doniphan-Trumbull 0
 Hemingford 78, Perkins County 20
 Holdrege 59, Minden 13
 Homer 49, Laurel-Concord/Concord 12
 Howells/Dodge 54, Clarkson/Leigh 32
 Humphrey St. Francis 76, Palmer 6
 Kearney 42, Lincoln Southeast 6
 Kearney Catholic 41, St. Paul/Eiba 12
 Kenesaw 64, Alma 6
 Lincoln Christian 41, Raymond Central 21
 Lincoln East 34, North Platte 6
 Lincoln Plus X 20, Omaha Gross Catholic 10
 Malcolm 49, Tri County 6
 Maxwell 56, Brady 42
 Millard West 44, Millard South 24
 Nebraska Christian 60, Cedar Bluffs 34
 Nebraska City Lourdes 52, Omaha Christian Academy 35
 Niobrara/Verdige 48, Boyd County 42
 Norris 23, Waverly 20
 Oakland-Craig 44, Ponca 8
 Omaha Central 44, Omaha South 6
 Omaha North 47, Omaha Creighton Prep 14
 Omaha Northwest 39, South Sioux City 24
 Omaha Westside 27, Grand Island 24, OT
 Palmyra 20, Elmwood-Murdock 19
 Papillion-LaVista 32, Lincoln High 9
 Papillion-LaVista South 33, Lincoln Southwest 24
 Pender 52, Winnebago 6
 Plattsmouth 34, Omaha Benson 0
 Randolph 52, CWC 26
 Riverside 75, St. Edward 33
 Sandhills/Theoford 61, Sumner-Ed-dyville-Miller 7
 Scottsbluff 45, Grand Island North-west 40
 Seward 59, Schuyler 7
 Sidney 36, Lexington 13
 Silver Lake 88, McPherson County 12
 Sioux County 30, Cody-Kilgore 6
 Southern 58, Humboldt/Table Rock-Steinboer 0
 Southern Valley 22, Superior 21
 Spalding Academy 53, Walhalla 13
 Stanton 30, Wisner-Pilger 21
 Stuart 66, Wausa 6
 Sutherland 60, Creek Valley 8
 Sutton 32, Sandy Creek 0

Syracuse 42, Johnson County Central 0
 Yankton 46, Columbus Lakeview 20
 York 30, Crele 28

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CROSS COUNTRY, COLLEGE Roy Griak Inv. at Minneapolis (USD, 12:20 p.m.)
CROSS COUNTRY, PREP Platte-Geddes Inv. (Avon, Bon Homme, Centerville, Freeman Academy, Manion, Platte-Geddes, Scotland, Viborg-Hurley, Wagner, 10 a.m.)
GOLF, BOYS' Eastern South Dakota Conf. at Moccasin Creek GC, Aberdeen (YHS, 9:30 a.m.)
GOLF, GIRLS' Laurel-Concord-Coleridge Quad (Crofton, Laurel-Concord-Coleridge, 9 a.m.)
SOCCER, MEN'S MMC at Neb. Wesleyan (7:30 p.m.)
SOCCER, WOMEN'S MMC at Neb. Wesleyan (5 p.m.)
SOFTBALL, CLUB HS JV State Tour. at Sioux Falls
TENNIS, WOMEN'S Northern Iowa Inv. (USD)
TENNIS, GIRLS' YHS/Milbank at Brookings (10 a.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, WOMEN'S Doane at MMC (5 p.m.)

CROSS COUNTRY, PREP West Central Inv. (Ethan-Parkston, Parker, 2 p.m.)
GOLF, MEN'S USD Coyote Classic at Dakota Dunes (USD), Great Plains Athletic Conf. Tour. at Fremont GC, Fremont, Neb. (Round 2 of 4; MMC) **GOLF, WOMEN'S** USD Coyote Classic at Dakota Dunes (USD)
GOLF, BOYS' S.D. Regions — 2A at Bakker Crossing GC, Sioux Falls (Beresford, Dakota Valley, Elk Point-Jefferson, Vermillion, 9 a.m.); 3A at Lakeview GC, Mitchell (Parkston, Wagner)
GOLF, GIRLS' Pender at Hartington Cedar Catholic
SOFTBALL, CLUB HS S.F. O'Gorman at Yankton (DH, 6 p.m.)
TENNIS, GIRLS' Mitchell at Vermillion (4 p.m.)
VOLLEYBALL, PREP Canistota at Menno; Dakota Valley at Sergeant Bluff; Freeman at Parkston; Vermillion at Wagner

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Aberdeen Roncalli 69, Tiopsa Zina Triba 0
 Alcester-Hudson 46, Garretson 14
 Arlington 34, Dell Rapids St. Mary 6
 Beresford 36, Wagner 0
 Brandon Valley 38, Sioux Falls Washington 21
 Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan 39, Hanson 12
 Canistota 50, Avon 34
 Canton 13, Tri-Valley 0
 Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 34, St. Francis Indian 0
 Colman-Egan 22, Oldham-Ramona/Rutland 18
 Colome 52, Lower Brule 0
 Custer 45, Belle Fourche 14
 Dell Rapids 58, Dakota Valley 20
 DeSmet 28, Castlewood 6
 Deuel 58, Florence/Henry 0
 Estelline 14, Lake Preston 6
 Faulkton 52, Northwestem 0
 Gayville-Volin 58, Scotland 8
 Gregory 55, South Central 0
 Hamlin 50, Wilmot 0
 Harrisburg 35, Walerstown 7
 Hot Springs 59, Pine Ridge 0
 Howard 50, Menno-Marion 0
 Irene-Wakonda 12, Baltic 8
 Kimball/White Lake 53, Miller 6
 Langford 49, Eureka/Bowdle 22

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Zone Read Still Giving Football Defenses Fits

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — The zone read has become one of the most popular offenses in college football, a multidimensional shotgun-based option system that requires impeccable timing and often leaves defenses guessing and grasping. The innovation hatched from a mistake. The year was 1991 and Rich Rodriguez, in his second season as Glenville State's coach, was searching for an offense that would keep defenses off-balance. An inadvertent epiphany came during a practice when quarterback Jed Drenning bobbled a handoff, gathered himself and made a split-second decision to run after seeing the defensive end pinch inside. "He said he saw the end coming in, kept it and ran for 15 or 20 yards. So I told him, 'yeah, we were going to put that in next week,'" Rodriguez said with a laugh. "Then I thought: We may be onto something here." He sure was. Rodriguez ran the offense

in relative obscurity while at Glenville State, but started gaining attention for his innovative system when Tulane went 12-0 with quarterback Shaun King running the zone read. Once Rodriguez became the offensive coordinator at Clemson with quarterback-with-tailback skills Woody Dantzler, word was out. As Rodriguez moved on to jobs at West Virginia, Michigan and now Arizona, the zone read spread across college football. Now many of the most explosive offenses in the country are running the zone read or have a package of plays with it, including Oregon, Baylor, Texas A&M, Arizona, Auburn, Ohio State, Arizona State, Kansas State — and the list goes on and on. "Any time anyone has success doing something, other teams will also try to do it," Auburn coach Gus Malzahn said. "That's kind of where the game is going right now with the quarterbacks who can successfully run a zone-read type

concept." At its genesis, the zone read was based on one read: The defensive end. The quarterback lined up in the shotgun, took off left or right with the running back trailing, and made a judgment based on the defensive end's movement. The end stays wide or goes upfield, he hands off to the running back. The end pinches in, the quarterback keeps and runs outside. But the offense has become far more complex since that first bobbled snap at Glenville State. Now once the quarterback keeps the ball, a multitude of further reads and options follow. He still has the option of running after getting around the end. But if the quarterback sees the linebackers move up to stop the run, he can loop a pass over their heads to the tight end. Pick up on the safeties coming up, he can throw downfield into one-on-one coverage. Catch the cornerback charging in, he can hit

a receiver on a quick slant or bubble screen. The reads aren't always the defensive end, either. Some teams key on the middle linebacker, the safeties, even the nose tackle. A few even have pre-snap reads, basing play calls on where certain defensive players are lined up. It's still option football, just out of the shotgun — which makes all the difference. "When the quarterback hands the ball off after taking the snap under center, he's not really a run threat and you're basically playing 10 on 11," said Rodriguez, in his third season at Arizona. "Get into the shotgun, you can see the defense and hand the ball off. You're actually playing 11 on 11. You can get positive yards and make them play 11 on 11." The zone read still has defenses backpedaling. For years, defensive players were taught to read the offen-

sive linemen to determine if it was a run play or a pass. In the zone read, the quarterback has the option of throwing, so defenders now have to account for both. Guess wrong and they're scrambling to get back into the play. The offense also is run out of the spread, which is designed to get playmakers into open spaces. With defenders inching up to account for the run, one missed tackle can turn into an 80-yard touchdown. "When you get in the gun and are utilizing more receivers, spreading things out, it creates more space than the traditional triple option where there's 11 guys in a couple yards of space with each other," Arizona State offensive coordinator Mike Norvell said. "We're just taking the challenges that were presented then and spreading them out to make them defend the entire

field." The new breed of quarterbacks is making it tougher to stop. The days of the drop-back passer are dwindling, replaced by athletic playmakers who can run or pass and make split-second decisions in the flick of a ball fake. Baylor has set records with Bryce Petty under center. Oregon flies past opponents behind Marcus Mariota. Nick Marshall led Auburn to last season's national title game. Johnny Manziel won a Heisman Trophy at Texas A&M and Kenny Hill has picked up where he left off. These guys are talented and now they're everywhere. "I liked it when there were fewer people running it because it was easier to be unique," Rodriguez said. "Now it's hard to be unique anymore." Teams are still finding ways — and it's still hard to stop.

Football

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Tripp-Del.-Armour 50, Marty Indian 0
MARTY — Clayton Lau rushed for 185 yards and two first quarter touchdowns as Tripp-Delmont-Armour downed Marty Indian School 50-0 in prep football action on Friday.

Cross

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ford 17:07; 8, Hannah Ebert, Beresford 17:14; 9, Grace Quartier, Beresford 17:16; 10, Frederikke Harbo, Elk Point-Jefferson 17:23; 11, Calli Davis, Elk Point-Jefferson 17:28; 12, Kendra Schaap, Beresford 17:30; 13, Erica Okine, Dakota Valley 17:56; 14, Kylene Donnelly, Elk Point-Jefferson 18:10; 15, Meghan Schank, Elk Point-Jefferson 18:14
BOYS' DIVISION
TEAM SCORES: Beresford 16, Elk Point-Jefferson 28, Dakota Valley 34
TOP 15: 1, Hunter Paulsen, Elk Point-Jefferson 17:27; 2, Mike Erlanson, Beresford 18:03; 3, Alec Atwood, Beresford 18:14; 4, Charlie Long, Dakota Valley 18:23; 5, Jake Limmer, Beresford 18:38; 6, Cole Hamandberg, Beresford 19:08; 7, Tim Peterson, Beresford 19:24; 8, Riley Tweed, Beresford 19:26; 9, Dylan Colt, Elk Point-Jefferson 19:32; 10, Dakota Galt, Beresford 19:38; 11, Jordan Peirce, Elk Point-Jefferson 19:47; 12, Jon Green, Dakota Valley 19:50; 13, Joe Graves, Dakota Valley 19:55; 14, Henry Jensen, Dakota Valley 20:30; 15, Kellyn March, Beresford 20:39

Creighton Inv.
CREIGHTON, Neb. — The Boyd County girls and Chambers-Wheeler Central boys claimed top honors in the Creighton Invitational cross country meet, held on Thursday in Creighton.
CWC edged Creighton 21-38 in the boys' race, led by medalist John Wainforer (19:14). Creighton's Garrison Hazen finished the 5,000-meter course in 19:30 to place second.
 Boyd County, led by a 2-3-4 finish, beat CWC 11-27 for the girls' team title.
 Creighton's Marissa Frank won the girls' race, clocking a 24:17 over the 5,000-meter course. Boyd County's Morgan Harmon (24:58) finished second.

GIRLS' DIVISION
TEAM SCORES: Boyd County 11, Chambers-Wheeler Central 27
TOP 10: 1, Marissa Frank, Creighton 24:17; 2, Morgan Harmon, Boyd County 24:58; 3, Shelby Heiser, Boyd County 25:24; 4, Mica