

The BCS Know How Newsletter

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This is a special Monday edition of the BCS Know How Newsletter to get you caught up with the final week of the BCS and the college football season.

Weekly News:

BCS Rankings:

1. Ohio State (.9588)
2. LSU (.9394)
3. Virginia Tech (.8703)
4. Oklahoma (.8572)

Wrap: You think people would eventually learn, wouldn't you? Starting early on Saturday morning, people were picking all of the chalk all over the country. West Virginia would have an easy time with Pittsburgh, same went for Hawaii over Washington, and truthfully, Missouri wouldn't be able to stay at number one faced with the history that any Big 12 Championship Game that was a rematch reflected the outcome of the first game. So we sat through the ACC Championship Game, the de facto Pac 10 Championship Game and we saw the chalk go on to victory, maybe we all got brainwashed; because in this season of upsets galore and surprises around every corner/Saturday, nothing was for sure. First West Virginia came out of the gate struggling against a less than formidable Pittsburgh team. When Pat White injured his hand, the reality began to sink back in, the BCS was in trouble. As Missouri began to be embarrassed by Oklahoma, suddenly the BCS door was open once again to droves of teams. By the end of the night, when a four touchdown favorite Hawaii team beat Washington by just seven, we all knew what was to come. The BCS standings, quite like the seven weeks before, would come out all jumbled in comparison to the week prior's standings. And it did exactly that. Ohio State, a shoe into the National Title game while sitting at home, slid to the number one spot when both number one and number two went down, and LSU, after wining the SEC Championship Game, was able to jump five spots to number two to take on the Buckeyes. Virginia Tech, Georgia and Oklahoma were left to wonder why a team who had lost just as many times as they did was more deserving of a national title bid then them. The BCS dolled out its biddings to the ten schools invited to the Rose, Fiesta, Sugar, Orange and National title game and went on its money spending way. Hawaii, the BCS buster of the year, was successful in infiltrating the system, finishing 10th to secure a bid. More information can be found on the BCS Bowls and Main pages of the site.

Coach's Poll:

1. Ohio State (.979)
2. LSU (.945)
3. Oklahoma (.887)
4. Georgia (.851)

Harris Poll:

1. Ohio State (.987)
2. LSU (.923)
3. Oklahoma (.884)
4. Georgia (.866)

Human Poll Wrap: Yes, your eyes do not deceive you, what you see here is the coaches and the Harris Poll voters yet again mirroring each other's ballots, but the difference here is that how similar the two polls turned out after the craziest weekend of the craziest season of all time. Both polls jumped LSU and Oklahoma past Georgia, allowing the Tigers to cruise to the national title game. Virginia Tech, ranked fifth in the Coaches and sixth in the Harris, even went as far as attaining the top computer ranking, but the unusual moves by the match making human voters was too much to overcome for both Georgia and Virginia Tech. Oklahoma, on the other hand was unable to breach the top two because of a relatively weak computer element, so in the end, it was the effective splitting of the vote between the computers and the humans, not getting behind one of the three or four teams left out, that did eventually leave us with LSU vs. Ohio State.

Heisman Trophy

Current BCS Know How Rankings:

1. Tim Tebow
2. Darren McFadden
3. Pat White
4. Colt Brennan

Wrap: First of all, the top two candidates here this week didn't play, so it would have taken something special to knock them off. Secondly, no one even came close to doing anything close to that, so the dynamic QB Tim Tebow and the all around performer in Darren McFadden remain atop the leader board, but those two were not the story of the week. Chase Daniel, seen in this exact spot last week, preformed terribly through the air against Oklahoma in the Big 12 Championship Game, and lost really a lot of votes and voter confidence to award him the trophy. Although Pat Whites performance was hindered by a dislocated thumb, and obviously as loss, it showed just how important White is to that offense, and that Steve Slaton, the preseason Heisman candidate from West Virginia, is unable to perform without him. Colt Brennan, on the other hand had the best performance from any Heisman candidate this past week and therefore makes his way onto the board. In completing more than 80% of his passes (he threw the ball 50 times), and leading his team up and down the field to survive a 21 point deficient, Brennan truly shined brightest when it was most opportune, although it was in the middle of the night on the east coast, and made a strong statement. Sometime in the next

week, when the Heisman candidates are announced you will receive a short newsletter concerning only the Heisman, which will contain a preview of the award and a prediction of the winner and finishing order.

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