

## 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

### All-time NCAA Division II Champions 1973-05

Year	Champion	Runner-up	Score	Site	Att.
1973	Louisiana Tech	Western Kentucky	34-0	Sacramento, Calif.	12,016
1974	Central Michigan	Delaware	54-14	Sacramento, Calif.	10,255
1975	Northern Michigan	Western Kentucky	16-14	Sacramento, Calif.	15,558
1976	Montana State	Akron	24-13	Wichita Falls, Tex.	13,200
1977	Lehigh	Jacksonville State	33-0	Wichita Falls, Tex.	14,114
1978	Eastern Illinois	Delaware	10-9	Longview, Tex.	5,500
1979	Delaware	Youngstown State	38-21	Albuquerque, N.M.	4,000
1980	Cal Poly-SLO	Eastern Illinois	21-13	Albuquerque, N.M.	2,056
1981	Southwest Texas State	North Dakota State	42-13	McAllen, Tex.	9,415
1982	Southwest Texas State	California-Davis	34-9	McAllen, Tex.	8,000
1983	North Dakota State	Central State (Ohio)	41-21	McAllen, Tex.	5,275
1984	Troy State	North Dakota State	18-17	McAllen, Tex.	4,500
1985	North Dakota State	North Alabama	35-7	McAllen, Tex.	6,000
1986	North Dakota State	South Dakota	27-7	Florence, Ala.	11,506
1987	Troy State	Portland State	31-17	Florence, Ala.	10,660
1988	North Dakota State	Portland State	35-21	Florence, Ala.	6,763
1989	*Mississippi College	Jacksonville State	3-0	Florence, Ala.	10,583
1990	North Dakota State	Indiana, Pa.	51-11	Florence, Ala.	10,080
1991	Pittsburg State	Jacksonville State	23-6	Florence, Ala.	11,682
1992	Jacksonville State	Pittsburg State	17-13	Florence, Ala.	11,733
1993	North Alabama	Indiana, Pa.	41-34	Florence, Ala.	15,631
1994	North Alabama	Texas A&M-Kingsville	16-10	Florence, Ala.	13,526
1995	North Alabama	Pittsburg State	27-7	Florence, Ala.	15,241
1996	Northern Colorado	Carson-Newman	23-14	Florence, Ala.	5,745
1997	Northern Colorado	New Haven	51-0	Florence, Ala.	3,352
1998	Northwest Missouri St.	Carson-Newman	24-6	Florence, Ala.	6,149
1999	Northwest Missouri St.	Carson-Newman (4 OT)	58-52	Florence, Ala.	8,451
2000	Delta State	Bloomsburg	63-34	Florence, Ala.	7,123
2001	North Dakota	Grand Valley State	17-14	Florence, Ala.	6,113
2002	Grand Valley State	Valdosta State	31-24	Florence, Ala.	9,783
2003	Grand Valley State	North Dakota	10-3	Florence, Ala.	7,236
2004	Valdosta State	Pittsburg State	36-31	Florence, Ala.	8,604
2005	Grand Valley State	Northwest Missouri St.	21-17	Florence, Ala.	6,837
2006	Grand Valley State	Northwest Missouri St.	17-14	Florence, Ala.	7,437

\* Mississippi College's participation in the 1989 playoffs and championship was vacated by the NCAA

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1973

Louisiana Tech 34, Western Kentucky 0

Sacramento, Calif. - Louisiana Tech captured the first National Collegiate Division II Football Championship by trouncing Western Kentucky 34-0 in the title game played in the Camelia Bowl. The 1973 championship was the first NCAA sponsored national title for Division II, with eight teams participating in the playoffs. Played on a wet field, the championship game was no closer than the score indicated as Louisiana Tech held Western Kentucky to minus 12 yards rushing and only 76 total yards. For the Hilltoppers, who had gained 447 yards in total offense in the first round and 362 in the semifinals, it was like running into a stone wall. Tech led 24-0 at the half and was never threatened.

### SCORING SUMMARY

Louisiana Tech: Jerry Pope 33-yard field goal, 9:02 First Quarter. Drive went 46 yards in six plays.

Louisiana Tech: Charles McDaniel 1-yard run (Jerry Pope kick) 6:55 First Quarter. Drive went 1 yard in two plays.

Louisiana Tech: Danny Curtis 11-yard interception return (Jerry Pope kick) 13:27 Second Quarter.

Louisiana Tech: Roger Carr 36-yard pass from Dennis Tomek (Jerry Pope kick) 12:19 Second Quarter. Drive went 32 yards in two plays.

Louisiana Tech: Jerry Pope 31-yard field goal, 11:44 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 52 yards in 13 plays.

Louisiana Tech: Pat Tilley 28-yard pass from Steve Haynes (Jerry Pope kick) 5:07 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 41 yards in four plays.

### TEAM STATISTICS

	LA Tech	W Ky.
First Downs	17	7
Rushing Yardage	186	-12
Passing Yardage	150	88
Return Yardage	103	-11
Passes	10-27-0	12-37-4
Punts	7-38-1	12-33-8
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	1-1
Penalties-Yards	62	35

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	Total
Louisiana Tech	10	14	0	10	34
Western Kentucky	0	0	0	0	0

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: LA TECH- Charles McDaniel 116 yards on 21 carries; WESTERN KY-John Embree 38 yards on nine carries.

Passing: LA TECH-Dennis Duron 4 of 14 for 78 yards, Steve Haynes 6 of 13 for 72 yards; WESTERN KY.-Dennis Tomek 10 of 32 for 91 yards.

Receiving: LA TECH-Pat Tilley 7 catches for 106 yards; WESTERN KY.-Porter Williams 7 catches for 66 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 12,016

1974

Central Michigan 54, Delaware 14

Sacramento Calif. - Central Michigan University used a powerful ground-attack to roll to a 30-8 halftime lead, then added 24 second-half points to pound the Delaware Blue Hens 54-14 for the Division II National Championship. Dick Dunham paced the Chippawas with 121 yards on 16 carries and four touchdowns and quarterback Mike Franckowiak added 186 yards passing, included one touchdown, and kicked two field goals. Central Michigan, which had trounced defending national champion Louisiana Tech 35-14 in the semifinals, gained 465 yards of total offense and had no turnovers, while Delaware gave up two fumbles and threw four interceptions. A crowd of 10,255 was in attendance.

### SCORING SUMMARY

Central Michigan: Dick Dunham 68-yard run (Mike Franckowiak Kick) 14:40 First Quarter. Drive went 68 yards in one play.

Central Michigan: Mike Franckowiak 39-yard field goal, 9:26 First Quarter. Drive went 59 yards in eight plays.

Central Michigan: Walt Hodges 2-yard run (kick failed) 0:41 First Quarter. Drive went 17 yards in four plays.

Delaware: Bill Zwann 1-yard run (Vern Roberts pass from Zwann) 10:16 Second Quarter. Drive went 72 yards in 13 plays.

Central Michigan: Dick Dunham 1-yard run (Mike Franckowiak kick) 6:11 Second Quarter. Drive went 68 yards in nine plays.

Central Michigan: Dick Dunham 3-yard run (Mike Franckowiak kick) 2:32 Second Quarter. Drive went 31 yards in eight plays.

Central Michigan: Mike Franckowiak 27-yard field goal, 7:51 Third Quarter. Drive went 91 yards in 12 plays.

Central Michigan: Dick Dunham 4-yard run (Mike Franckowiak kick) 3:08 Third Quarter. Drive went 60 yards in seven plays.

Central Michigan: Matt Means 8-yard pass from Mike Franckowiak (Mike Franckowiak kick) 14:21 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 38 yards in four plays.

Central Michigan: Walt Hodges 1-yard run (Tom Kangas kick) 0:16 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 14 yards in three plays.

Delaware: Herky Billings 6-yard run (run failed) 2:21 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in 10 plays.

### TEAM STATISTICS

	CMU	UD
First Downs	20	17
Rushing Yardage	279	187
Passing Yardage	186	167
Return Yardage	89	0
Passes	11-14-0	12-22-4
Punts	3-37.3	6-28.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	4-2
Penalties-Yards	6-50	4-29

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	Total
Central Michigan	16	14	10	14	54
Delaware	0	8	0	6	14

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: CMU-Dick Dunham 121 yards on 16 carries; DELAWARE-Vern Roberts 71 yards on 12 carries.

Passing: CMU-Mike Franckowiak 11 of 13 for 186 yards; DELAWARE-Bill Zwann 8 of 17 for 104 yards.

Receiving: CMU-Matt Means 8 catches for 146 yards; DELAWARE-John Kraus 2 catches for 39 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 10,255

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1975

Northern Michigan 16, Western Kentucky 14

Sacramento Calif. - Northern Michigan didn't win a football game in 1974, but turned it all around 1975, losing only once on its way to the National Collegiate Division II Championship. A crowd of 15,558 packed the Camelia Bowl to see one of the best games in Division II championship history, crowning a team from Michigan for the second straight year. Western Kentucky was held to just 36 yards passing but rushed for 302.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Western Kentucky: Lawrence Jefferson 2-yard run (Barry Henry kick) 6:25 First Quarter. Drive went 64 yards in eight plays.  
 Northern Michigan: Dan Harves 25-yard field goal, 0:48 First Quarter. Drive went 54 yards in nine plays.  
 Western Kentucky: Bob Hobby 25-yard pass from Steve Larimore (Barry Henry kick) 8:45 Second Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in six plays.  
 Northern Michigan: Maurice Mitchell 49-yard pass from Steve Mariucci (Dan Harves kick) 5:16 Second Quarter. Drive went 87 yards in seven plays.  
 Northern Michigan: Randy Awery 67-yard run (kick failed) 14:40 Third Quarter. Drive went 67 yards in one play.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	NMU	W Ky.
First Downs	11	19
Rushing Yardage	140	302
Passing Yardage	133	26
Return Yardage	4	28
Passes	5-14-2	2-11-1
Punts	8-32.8	5-34.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	4-40	5-35

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

	1	2	3	4	Total
Northern Michigan	3	7	6	0	16
Western Kentucky	7	7	0	0	14

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: NMU-Randy Awery 111 yards on 11 carries; WESTERN KY.-Lawrence Jefferson 151 yards on 34 carries.  
 Passing: NMU-Steve Mariucci 5 of 14 for 133 yards; WESTERN KY.-Steve Larimore 2 of 10 for 26 yards.  
 Receiving: NMU-Maurice Mitchell 4 Catches for 113 yards; WESTERN KY.-Bob Hobby 1 catch for 25 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 15,558

1976

Montana State 24, Akron 13

Wichita Falls, Tex. - After being ranked No. 1 nationally in the final NCAA Division II regular-season poll, Montana State proved it deserved the ranking by the rolling to the 1976 Division II National Championship. Montana State took a 14-0 lead in the title game on a pair of second-quarter touchdowns, then upped the margin to 17-0 with a field goal in the third quarter. Two Akron scores in the second half made it 17-13, but a seven-yard run by Tom Kostriba iced the game for the Bobcats. A crowd of 13,200 was on hand for the first title game played in Wichita Falls.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Montana State: Ron McCullough 5-yard pass from Paul Denneby (Jeff Muri kick) 5:47 First Quarter. Drive went 51 yards in seven plays.  
 Montana State: Butch Damberger 3-yard pass from Don Ueland (Jeff Muri kick) 0:27 First Quarter. Drive went 43 yards in eight plays.  
 Montana State: Jeff Muri 21-yard field goal, Third Quarter. Drive went 72 yards in 12 plays.  
 Akron: Dave Axner 3-yard run (Jim Embick kick) 1:33 Third Quarter. Drive went 30 yards in five plays.  
 Akron: Glenn Evans 22-yard pass from Martin Bezbatchenko (kck failed) Fourth Quarter. Drive went 25 yards in three plays.  
 Montana State: Tom Kostriba 7-yard run (Jeff Muri kick) 3:30 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 35 yards in six plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	MSU	AKRON
First Downs	19	14
Rushing Yardage	266	179
Passing Yardage	50	91
Return Yardage	81	68
Passes	7-10-2	7-19-2
Punts	2-40.0	5-32.6
Fumbles-Lost	8-3	3-2
Penalties-Yards	4-40	6-37

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

	1	2	3	4	Total
Montana State	0	14	3	7	24
AKRON	0	0	7	6	13

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: MSU-Don Ueland 94 yards on 22 carries; AKRON-Greg Thurman 44 yards on 11 carries.  
 Passing: MSU-Paul Denneby 5 of 8 for 38 yards; AKRON- Martin Bezbatchenko 4 of 11 for 46 yards.  
 Receiving: MSU-Ron McCullough 3 catches for 19 yards; AKRON-Glenn Evans 4 catches for 48 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 13,200

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1977

Lehigh 33, Jacksonville State 0

Wichita Falls, Tex. - Lehigh saved its best for last and played what coach John Whitehead called a "perfect" game to defeat Jacksonville State 33-0, and win the 1977 National Collegiate Division II Football Championship. The Engineers had relied on a strong passing game throughout the tournament's early games, but used a relentless ground attack in the Pioneer Bowl finale before 14,114. The first quarter ended in a scoreless tie, but Lehigh took a 14-0 lead at intermission with two long scoring drives. A 17-play drive in the third quarter made it 20-0, then a JSU turnover resulted in an easy score that put the game away at 27-0 entering the fourth quarter.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

Lehigh: Mike Rieker 1-yard run (Kenny Wood kick) 9:47 Second Quarter. Drive went 62 yards in 10 plays.  
 Lehigh: Steve Kreider 9-yard pass (Kenny Wood kick) 0:17 Second Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in 13 plays.  
 Lehigh: Dave April 1-yard run (kick failed) 5:18 Third Quarter. Drive went 74 yards in 17 plays.  
 Lehigh: Mike Ford 7-yard run (Kenny Wood kick) 0:57 Third Quarter. Drive went one yard in one play.  
 Lehigh: Steve Kreider 7-yard pass from Mike Reiker (pass failed) 7:18 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 47 yards in seven plays.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	LEHIGH	JSU
First Downs	23	20
Rushing Yardage	305	142
Passing Yardage	118	154
Return Yardage	26	68
Passes	12-25-1	16-32-2
Punts	6-30.2	3-28.7
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	4-4
Penalties-Yards	7-77	3-30

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

	0	14	13	6	33
Lehigh	0	14	13	6	33
Jacksonville State	0	0	0	0	0

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: LEHIGH-Mike Ford 92 yards on 13 carries; Jax State - Pat Clements 133 yards on 16 carries.  
 Passing: LEHIGH-Mike Rieker 11 of 21 for 105 yards; Jax State - Mike Watts 15 of 29 for 137 yards.  
 Receiving: LEHIGH-Steve Kreider 5 catches for 54 yards; Jax State - Donald Young 8 catches for 71 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 14,114

1978

Eastern Illinois 10, Delaware 9

Longview, Tex.- A one-yard run by Pope Cobb with only two minutes gone in the second half proved to be the game-winner, as Eastern Illinois rallied for a 10-9 win the Division II Championship Game, being played for the first time in Longview, Tex. The score was set up by a Delaware turnover at its own 19 and allowed the Panthers of Eastern Illinois to overcome a 9-3 Delaware lead. The fumble combined with a missed extra point attempt to cost Delaware a chance at the crown. Delaware committed five turnovers in the game, having lost to Central Michigan in 1974.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

Eastern Illinois: Dan DiMartino 28-yard field goal, 8:44 First Quarter. Drive went 81 yards in 14 plays.  
 Delaware: Brandt Kennedy 19-yard field goal, 1:31 First Quarter. Drive went 47 yards in nine plays.  
 Delaware: Mike Mill 8-yard pass from Jeff Komlo (kick failed) 1:35 Second Quarter. Drive went 31 yards in nine plays.  
 Eastern Illinois: Poke Cobb one-yard run (Dan Dimartino kick) 13:08 Third Quarter. Drive went 19 yards in three plays.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	EIU	UD
First Downs	10	9
Rushing Yardage	115	104
Passing Yardage	201	250
Return Yardage	19	51
Passes	13-35-1	21-35-1
Punts	9-24.8	5-37
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	6-4
Penalties-Yards	3-12	2-39

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

	3	0	7	0	10
Eastern Illinois	3	0	7	0	10
Delaware	3	6	0	0	9

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: EIU- Poke Cobb 101 yards on 23 carries; Delaware - Tom Ciccone 46 yards on 17 carries.  
 Passing: EIU- Steve Turk 13 of 34 for 201 yards; Delaware - Jeff Komlo 21 of 35 for 250 yards.  
 Receiving: EIU- James Warring 6 catches for 82 yards; Delaware - Pete Racettine 11 catches for 156 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 5,500

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1979

Delaware 38, Youngstown State 21

Albuquerque, N.M. - Quarterback Scott Brunner passed for 296 and three touchdowns to lead Delaware to the Division II National Championship over Youngstown State, 38-21. The two teams combined for 42 points in the second quarter, with Youngstown taking a 21-7 lead at one point before Delaware rallied with two touchdowns in the final 1:46 of the first half. Delaware took the lead for good with 5:09 remaining in the third quarter when Jay Hooks caught his second touchdown pass of the day - a 22 yarder from Brunner. Delaware added 10 points in the fourth quarter to secure the win at University Stadium in Albuquerque.

### SCORING SUMMARY

Youngstown State: Robby Robson 4-yard run (Carey Orosz kick), 10:19 Second Quarter. Drive went 62 yards in nine plays.  
 Delaware: Jay Hooks 74-yard pass from Scott Brunner (Brandt Kennedy kick), 8:36 Second Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in three plays.  
 Youngstown State: Dwight Dumas 2-yard run (Carey Orosz kick) 6:10 Second Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in seven plays.  
 Youngstown State: Keith Snoddy 9-yard run (Carey Orosz kick), 4:44 Second Quarter. Drive went 34 yards in four plays.  
 Delaware: Phil Nelson 5-yard pass from Scott Brunner (Brandt Kennedy kick), 1:46 Second Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in 11 plays.  
 Delaware: Vince Hyland 61-yard pass interception (Brandt Kennedy kick), 0:18 Second Quarter.  
 Delaware: Jay Hooks 25-yard pass from Scott Brunner (Brandt Kennedy kick), 5:09 Third Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in three plays.  
 Delaware: Brandt Kennedy 47-yard field goal, 9:59 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 49 yards in 10 plays.  
 Delaware: Gino Olivari 34-yard run (Brandt Kennedy kick), 6:33 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 42 yards in three plays.

### TEAM STATISTICS

	UD	YSU
First Downs	16	23
Rushing Yardage	152	166
Passing Yardage	325	153
Return Yardage	85	6
Passes	13-27-0	10-30-2
Punts	6-33.7	6-44
Fumbles-Lost	4-3	6-3
Penalties-Yards	9-84	5-45

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Delaware	0-21-7-10	38
Youngstown State	0-21-0-0	21

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: UD- Oliveri 66 yards on 12 carries, YSU- Robson 127 yards on 27 carries.  
 Passing: UD-Bruner 12 of 25 for 296, YSU-Snoddy 8 of 12 for 129 yards.  
 Receiving: UD- Hooks 4 catches for 182 yards, YSU- Randy Beal 4 catches for 82 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 4,000

1980

Cal Poly-SLO 21, Eastern Illinois 13

Albuquerque, N.M. - A pair of second half touchdown passes from Craig Johnston to Robbie Martin carried California Polytechnic University at San Luis Obispo to the NCAA Division II National Championship over the Eastern Illinois Panthers 21-13. Martin scored Cal Poly SLO's first TD on a punt return but Illinois came back with two second quarter scores to take a 13-7 halftime lead.

Cal Poly then took a 14-13 lead on a 58-yard toss from Johnston to Martin early in the third quarter and capped the game with a 33-yard TD pass with 14 minutes remaining in the game. Making its second championship game appearance in three years, Eastern Illinois held Cal Poly to 39 yards rushing, but gained only 87 yards rushing. The Panthers committed four turnovers to three for Cal Poly, and were penalized 11 times for 140 yards.

### SCORING SUMMARY

Cal Poly-SLO: Robbie Martin 42-yard punt return (Tom Vessella kick), 13:02 First Quarter.  
 Eastern Illinois: Rod Slaughter 2-yard run (Ray Delong kick), 14:58 Second Quarter. Drive went 30 yards in five plays.  
 Eastern Illinois: Rod Slaughter 1-yard run (kick failed), 3:26 Second Quarter. Drive went 63 yards in nine plays.  
 Cal Poly-SLO: Robbie Martin 58-yard pass from Craig Johnston (Tom Vessella kick), 9:28 Third Quarter. Drive went 55 yards in two plays.  
 Cal Poly-SLO: Robbie Martin 33-yard pass from Craig Johnston (Tom Vessella kick), 14:02 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 59 yards in five plays.

### TEAM STATISTICS

	EIU	CAL POLY-SLO
First Downs	10	9
Rushing Yardage	87	39
Passing Yardage	263	236
Return Yardage	-6	97
Passes	20-42-2	12-21-1
Punts	10-38.7	9-36.3
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	6-2
Penalties-Yards	11-140	8-68

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Eastern Illinois	0-13-0-0	13
Cal Poly-SLO	7-0-7-7	21

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: EIU- Slaughter 75 yards on 14 carries; Cal Poly SLO- Louis Jackson 26 yards on 20 carries.  
 Passing: EIU- Chuck Wright 11 of 22 for 158 yards; Cal Poly SLO- Johnston 12 of 21 for 236 yards.  
 Receiving: EIU- Slaughter 6 catches for 122 and Otis Grant 6 catches for 70 yards; Cal Poly SLO- Martin 7 catches for 164 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 2,056

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1981

Southwest Texas St. 42, North Dakota St. 13

McAllen, Texas - The Bobcats of Southwest Texas State scored 28 points in the second half to blow open a tight game and claim the 1981 NCAA Division II championship, 42-13 over North Dakota State. Southwest Texas gained 328 yards rushing and added another 198 through the air in an awesome offensive display. Quarterback Mike Miller passed for three touchdowns and Donnie Williams ran in for two more. David Vela, meanwhile, caught only two passes on the day, but they accounted for 99 yards and two TDs. The Bison lost four fumbles and threw an interception in the game, the first Division II title played in McAllen.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

North Dakota State: Mark Nellermore 1-yard run (Mark Luedtke kick), 11:48 First Quarter. Drive went 69 yards in six plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Donnie Williams 6-yard run (Neal Neunhoffer kick), 14:22 Second Quarter. Drive went 51 yards in 9 plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: David Vela 35-yard pass from Mike Miller (Neal Neunhoffer kick), 13:27 Second Quarter. Drive went 35 yards in one play.  
 North Dakota State: Kevin Peters 2-yard run (kick failed), :37 Second Quarter. Drive went 88 yards in 11 plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: David Vela 64-yard pass from Mike Miller (Neal Neunhoffer kick), 5:32 Third Quarter. Drive went 91 yards in six plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Vaughn Deary 44-yard pass from Mike Miller (Neal Neunhoffer kick), :31 Third Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in six plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Donnie Williams 2-yard run (Neal Neunhoffer kick), 8:30 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 4 yards in two plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Ron Jacoby 2-yard run (Neal Neunhoffer kick), 2:51 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 20 yards in four plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	SWTS	NDSU
First Downs	10	9
Rushing Yardage	328	220
Passing Yardage	198	87
Return Yardage	38	-2
Passes	8-14-1	3-7-1
Punts	4-39.2	6-48.0
Fumbles-Lost	6-3	5-4
Penalties-Yards	6-45	4-42

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Southwest Texas State	0-14-14-14	42
North Dakota State	7-6-0-0	13

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: SWTS- Williams 153 yards on 22 carries; NDSU- Kevin Peters 79 yards on 10 carries.  
 Passing: SWTS- Miller 8 of 14 for 198 yards; NDSU- Nellermore 2 of 5 for 50 yards.  
 Receiving: SWTS- Vela 2 catches for 99 yards; NDSU- one catch for 41 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 9,415

1982

Southwest Texas St. 34, California-Davis 9

McAllen, Texas - Defending champion Southwest Texas State buried the Aggies of California-Davis in a 34-9 rout for their second straight Division II national crown. The Bobcats trailed 3-0 early but rallied to take a 13-3 lead a halftime. Paced by 321 yards rushing, Southwest Texas played ball-control against Cal-Davis, while holding the Aggies to 18 yards rushing. Ricky Sanders scored twice and gained 104 yards on 25 carries for Southwest Texas.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

California-Davis: Ray Sullivan 44-yard field goal, 11:59 First Quarter. Drive went 4 yards in five plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Eric Cobble 2-yard run (pass failed) 10:22 Second Quarter. Drive went 25 yards in seven plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Dale Posey 4-yard pass from Ron Jacoby (Neal Neunhoffer kick), :37 Second Quarter. Drive went 53 yards in 14 plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Eric Cobble 3-yard run (Neal Neunhoffer kick), 3:44 Third Quarter. Drive went 60 yards in six plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Ricky Sanders 1-yard run (Neal Neunhoffer kick), 14:22 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 4 yards in three plays.  
 California-Davis: Dave White 2-yard run (pass failed), 13:15 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 69 yards in four plays.  
 Southwest Texas State: Ricky Sanders 13-yard run (Neal Neunhoffer kick), 6:26 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 55 yards in nine plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	SWTS	UC-Davis
First Downs	20	15
Rushing Yardage	321	18
Passing Yardage	73	181
Return Yardage	26	8
Passes	5-12-0	16-34-2
Punts	6-28.5	4-35.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	4-4
Penalties-Yards	5-68	4-18

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Southwest Texas State	0-13-7-14	34
UC-Davis	3-0-0-6	9

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: SWTS- Sanders 104 yards on 25 carries; UC-Davis- Mel Yarbor 39 yards on 4 carries.  
 Passing: SWTS- Jacoby 5 of 11 for 73 yards; UC-Davis- Scott Barry 16 of 34 for 181 yards.  
 Receiving: SWTS- Sanders 2 catches for 44 yards; UC-Davis- Allen Fleming 9 catches for 110 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 8,000

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1983

North Dakota St. 41, Central State (Ohio) 21

McAllen, Texas - North Dakota State was relentless in claiming the 1983 Division II Championship, scoring 28 points in the first half and coasting to a 41-21 victory over the Marauders of Central State University. The Bison rushed for 314 yards, with the freshman quarterback Jeff Bentrिम accounting for 120 of that total. NDSU broke on top 21-0 before the high-powered CSU offense could rally for two scores. But a three-yard TD run by Jeff Willis just before the half padded the Bison's lead and CSU never threatened again.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

North Dakota State: Stacy Robinson 10-yard pass from Jeff Bentrिम (Ken Kubisz kick), 11:28 First Quarter. Drive went 35 yards in six plays.  
 North Dakota State: Jeff Bentrिम 34-yard (Ken Kubisz kick), 4:58 First Quarter. Drive went 40 yards in three plays.  
 North Dakota State: Chad Stark one-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), :53 First Quarter. Drive went 60 yards in seven plays.  
 Central State: Kevin Cummings one-yard run (Clarence Joseph kick), 8:31 Second Quarter. Drive went 57 yards in 12 plays.  
 Central State: Mark Corbin two-yard run (Clarence Joseph kick), 4:08 Second Quarter. Drive went 51 yards in six plays.  
 North Dakota State: Jeff Willis three-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), :57 Second Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in nine plays.  
 North Dakota State: Ken Kubisz 31-yard field goal, 11:00 Third Quarter. Drive went 65 yards in 12 plays.  
 North Dakota State: James Molstre four-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 9:36 Third Quarter. Drive went 4 yards in one play.  
 Central State: Mark Corbin 25-yard run (Clarence Joseph kick), 6:04 Third Quarter. Drive went 67 yards in eight plays.  
 North Dakota State: Ken Kubisz 25-yard field goal, 4:14 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 43 yards in 12 plays.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	NDSU	CSU
First Downs	22	15
Rushing Yardage	314	137
Passing Yardage	47	147
Return Yardage	76	0
Passes	3-12-0	13-27-2
Punts	3-17.0	6-33.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	7-44	6-89

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

North Dakota State	21-7-10-3	41
Central State	0-14-7-0	21

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: NDSU- Bentrिम 120 yards on 20 carries; CSU- Corbin 86 yards on 16 carries.  
 Passing: NDSU- Bentrिम 3 of 11 for 47 yards; CSU- James Woody 13 of 27 for 147 yards.  
 Receiving: NDSU- Robinson 3 catches for 47 yards; CSU- Darrell Smith 8 catches for 86 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 5,275

1984

Troy State 18, North Dakota State 17

McAllen, Texas - Freshman Ted Clem kicked a 50-yard field goal on the final play of the game to give the Troy State University Trojans an 18-17 win over defending national champion North Dakota State and the 1984 NCAA Division II crown. Clem's kick came after NDSU's Ken Kubisz booted a 19-yard field goal with 1:36 left in the game to put the Bison on top 17-15. Troy State then went 45 yards in nine plays to set up the winning kick. NDSU scored on its first two possessions of the game to take a 14-0 lead but Troy State held the Bison scoreless for the next two quarters and closed the gap to 14-12 entering the final period. Clem had three field goals in the game, from 32, 24, and 50 yards.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

North Dakota State: James Molstre six-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 11:25 First Quarter. Drive went 81 yards in eight plays.  
 North Dakota State: Jeff Bentrिम one-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 2:38 First Quarter. Drive went 93 yards in 11 plays.  
 Troy State: Carey Christensen four-yard run (Ted Clem kick), :45 Second Quarter. Drive went 90 yards in 10 plays.  
 Troy State: Ted Clem 32-yard field goal, 4:32 Third Quarter. Drive went 58 yards in 12 plays.  
 Troy State: Safety after bad snap to punter, 2:37 Third Quarter.  
 Troy State: Ted Clem 24-yard field goal, 13:16 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 71 yards in 10 plays.  
 North Dakota State: Ken Kubisz 19-yard field goal, 1:36 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 78 yards in twelve plays.  
 Troy State: Ted Clem 50-yard field goal, :00 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 45 yards in nine plays.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	TSU	NDSU
First Downs	26	15
Rushing Yardage	249	175
Passing Yardage	210	156
Return Yardage	18	0
Passes	16-27-0	6-15-1
Punts	2-42.5	5-46.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	9-78	9-81

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Troy State	0-7-5-6	18
North Dakota State	14-0-0-3	17

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: TSU- Ted Horstead 113 yards on 23 carries; NDSU- Chad Stark 91 yards on 14 carries  
 Passing: TSU- Christensen 11 of 20 for 167 yards; NDSU- Bentrिम 3 of 11 for 92 yards.  
 Receiving: TSU- Rufus Cox 7 catches for 93 yards; NDSU- Stacy Robinson 4 catches for 128 yards.

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1985

North Dakota State 35, North Alabama 7

McAllen, Texas - Led by junior quarterback Jeff Bentrim and junior fullback Chad Stark, the North Dakota State Bison wrecked the University of North Alabama defense in a 35-7 victory for the Division II title. NDSU rushed for 232 yards, completed 4-5 pass attempts for 79 yards and benefited from six UNA turnovers to take the win. NDSU opened a 14-0 lead in the first quarter, then exploded for 21-third quarter points to expand that lead to 35-0. It was the first points allowed by the UNA defense in the third quarter in its 13 games in 1985. UNA rallied for the late score but the Bison easily held on for its second national crown in three years.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

North Dakota State: Jeff Bentrim four-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 12:26 First Quarter. Drive went 27 yards in six plays.  
 North Dakota State: James Molstre three-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 2:45 First Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in nine plays.  
 North Dakota State: Chad Stark 18-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 12:17 Third Quarter. Drive went 26 yards in four plays.  
 North Dakota State: Jeff Bentrim one-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 4:23 Third Quarter. Drive went 52 yards in nine plays.  
 North Dakota State: Len Kretchman 10-yard pass from Jeff Bentrim (Ken Kubisz kick), 2:05 Third Quarter. Drive went 13 yards in three plays.  
 North Alabama: Charles Johnson one-yard run (James Knowles kick), 10:51 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 60 yards in seven plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	NDSU	UNA
First Downs	14	13
Rushing Yardage	232	155
Passing Yardage	79	83
Return Yardage	33	12
Passes	4-5-0	7-18-3
Punts	5-35.0	8-36.0
Fumbles-Lost	6-3	5-3
Penalties-Yards	6-36	3-27

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

North Dakota State	14-0-21-0	35
North Alabama	0-0-0-7	7

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: NDSU- Stark 113 yards on 18 carries; UNA- Johnson 111 yards on 29 carries.  
 Passing: NDSU- Bentrim 4 of 5 for 79 yards; UNA- Dallas Metcalf 4 of 12 for 24 yards, Tim Garner 1 of 4 for 35 yards.  
 Receiving: NDSU- Len Kretchman 3 catches for 34 yards; UNA- Glenn Ivy 2 catches for 6 yards, Craig Yeager 2 catches for 34 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 6,000

1986

North Dakota State 27, South Dakota 7

Florence, Ala. - Quarterback Jeff Bentrim rushed for 111 yards and directed a powerful offensive attack as North Dakota State won its third national title in four years. The Bison rolled to a 20-0 lead and eventually put away South Dakota 27-7. A four yard TD run by Bentrim, a one-yard run by Gary Barta and an 84-yard punt return by Tyrone Braxton provided the early margin in front of 11,506 fans at Braly Stadium. USD's Scott Jones scored on a one-yard run in the third quarter but Bentrim came back with another four-yard TD run with 2:45 left in the game.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

North Dakota State: Jeff Bentrim four-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 7:38 Second Quarter. Drive went 84 yards in 13 plays.  
 North Dakota State: Gary Barta one-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), :36 Second Quarter. Drive went 34 yards in 10 plays.  
 North Dakota State: Tyrone Braxton 84-yard punt return (kick failed), 12:32 Third Quarter.  
 South Dakota: Scott Jones one-yard run (Mark McLoughlin kick), 3:18 Third Quarter. Drive went 67 yards in 18 plays.  
 North Dakota State: Jeff Bentrim four-yard run (Ken Kubisz kick), 2:45 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 42 yards in nine plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	NDSU	USD
First Downs	19	14
Rushing Yardage	307	163
Passing Yardage	47	69
Return Yardage	90	9
Passes	4-6-1	6-13-1
Punts	1-32.0	3-27.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards	3-25	2-11

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

North Dakota State	0-14-6-7	27
South Dakota	0-0-7-0	7

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: NDSU- Bentrim 111 yards on 20 carries; USD- Jones 51 yards on 19 carries.  
 Passing: NDSU- Bentrim 4 of 6 for 47 yards; USD- Jones 5 of 8 for 65 yards.  
 Receiving: NDSU- Len Kretchman 2 catches for 22 yards; USD- Paul Parr 2 catches for 17 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 11,506

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1987

Troy State 31, Portland State 17

Florence, Ala. - Senior quarterback Mike Turk rushed for a championship game record 190 yards and scored two touchdowns as the Troy State Trojans won their second national crown in four years. After taking a 3-0 lead, Troy State saw its advantage slip as Portland State took a 10-3 lead at the half, aided by two TSU fumbles. But late in the third quarter the game became all Troy State as the Trojans scored the final 21 points of the game. Gerrick Pimienta led TSU with 17 tackles and Mitch Parnell had 11, while Tracy Eaton had 13 for Portland State.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

Troy State: Ted Clem 43-yard field goal, 3:44 First Quarter. Drive lost 7 yards in four plays.

Portland State: Tommy Johnson two-yard run (Erickson kick), 10:40 Second Quarter. Drive went 64 yards in 15 plays.

Portland State: Mike Erickson 22-yard field goal, :05 Second Quarter. Drive went 18 yards in six plays.

Troy State: Titus Dixon 49-yard run (Clem kick), 12:38 Third Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in five plays.

Portland State: Chris Crawford 37-yard pass to Tim Corrigan (Erickson kick), 9:28 Third Quarter. Drive went 68 yards in six plays.

Troy State: Mike Turk one-yard run (Clem kick), 6:08 Third Quarter. Drive went 67 yards in nine plays.

Troy State: Greg Harris 15-yard run (Clem kick), :35 Third Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in five plays.

Troy State: Mike Turk 51-yard (Clem kick), 1:43 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 76 yards in eight plays.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	TSU	PSU
First Downs	19	19
Rushing Yardage	398	135
Passing Yardage	73	287
Return Yardage	62	9
Passes	5-12-0	22-37-2
Punts	3-27.0	5-31.0
Fumbles-Lost	5-2	2-0
Penalties-Yards	4-50	6-35

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Troy State	13-0-21-7	31
Portland State	0-10-7-0	17

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: TSU- Turk 25-190, Dixon 4-111, PSU- Curtis Delgado 16-65  
 Passing: TSU- Turk 4-10 for 71 yards, PSU- Crawford 22-37 for 287 yards.  
 Receiving: TSU-Five with 1 catch, PSU- Corrigan 8 catches for 141 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 10,660

1988

North Dakota State 35, Portland State 21

Florence, Ala. - North Dakota State ground out its fourth national title in six years, throwing just four passes while rushing for 339 yards in a 35-21 win over Portland State. The Bison scored on their first possession on a Chris Simdorn run. Portland State tied it with a Chris Crawford TD toss. Tony Satter raced 70 yards for another NDSU score and Crawford answered with another TD pass for a 14-14 halftime score. NDSU scored on three of its five second half possessions to go up 35-14 and Portland rallied for a late score.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

North Dakota State: Chris Simdorn one-yard run (Kevin Boe kick), 4:09 First Quarter. Drive went 67 yards in 15 plays.

Portland State: Chris Crawford 45-yard pass to Greg Evans (J.J. Brumfield kick), 5:49 Second Quarter. Drive went 45 yards in 1 play.

North Dakota State: Tony Satter 70-yard run (Kevin Boe kick), 3:08 Second Quarter. Drive went 81 yards in 5 plays.

Portland State: Chris Crawford 16-yard pass to Tim Corrigan (J.J. Brumfield kick), 1:25 Second Quarter. Drive went 53 yards in 5 plays.

North Dakota State: Tony Satter 10-yard (Kevin Boe kick), 10:52 Third Quarter. Drive went 63 yards in 9 plays.

North Dakota State: Chris Simdorn 1-yard run (Kevin Boe kick), 1:22 Third Quarter. Drive went 37 yards in 4 plays.

North Dakota State: Blaine Toshner 11-yard run (Kevin Boe kick), 2:13 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 58 yards in 12 plays.

Portland State: Chris Crawford 11-yard pass to Barry Naone (J.J. Brumfield kick), 1:01 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in 6 plays.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	NDSU	PSU
First Downs	19	18
Rushing Yardage	339	95
Passing Yardage	26	333
Return Yardage	47	-5
Passes	2-4-0	22-35-1
Punts	5-30.8	2-36.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	2-1
Penalties-Yards	1-15	4-30

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

North Dakota State	7-7-14-7	35
Portland State	0-14-0-7	21

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: NDSU- Satter 11-151, PSU- Curtis Delgado 13-80.  
 Passing: NDSU- Simdorn 1-1 for 9 yards, Tom Owens 1-3 for 17 yards, PSU- Crawford 22-35 for 333 yards.  
 Receiving: NDSU- Dan Goetti 1 catches for 17 yards, PSU- Curtis Delgado 6 catches for 76 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 6,763

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1989

Mississippi College 3, Jacksonville State 0

Florence, Ala. - In a rematch of Gulf South Conference foes, Mississippi College avenged an early season loss to Jacksonville State and pulled out a 3-0 win over the Gamecocks in a game played in two inches of snow. The game's only score came on a 19-yard Shane Stewart field goal with 6:13 left in the third quarter. An earlier MC field goal attempt had been blocked. Four JSU turnovers hampered the Gamecocks offense as they managed just 166 total yards. The game marked just the fourth time in 17 Division title games that the championship was decided by a touchdown or less.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Mississippi College: Shane Stewart 19-yard field goal, 6:13 Third Quarter. Drive went 50 yards in 10 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	JSU	MC
First Downs	8	8
Rushing Yardage	126	111
Passing Yardage	40	118
Return Yardage	47	81
Passes	5-14-2	9-17-0
Punts	8-32.2	8-31.4
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	4-2
Penalties-Yards	3-20	2-20

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Mississippi College	0-0-3-0	3
Jacksonville State	0-0-0-0	0

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: MC-Fred McAfee 17-73, Robert Taylor 10-37, JSU- Roy Carpenter 13-74

Passing: MC- Wally Henry 8-14 for 84 yards, JSU- David Gulledege 5-14 for 40 yards.

Receiving: MC- Nathaniel Bolton 4 catches for 46 yards, JSU- Kevin Blue 2 catches for 32 yards

ATTENDANCE: 10,583

1990

North Dakota State 51, Indiana, Pa. 11

Florence, Ala. - North Dakota State won it's fifth national title in eight years behind the play of Harlon Hill Trophy winner Chris Simdorn. The senior quarterback led a crushing offensive attack that gained 627 total yards, while limiting the Indians to just 143. Simdorn rushed for 145 yards and two touchdowns and passed for another 179 yards and three scores. Tony Satter also rushed for 174 yards for the Bison.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Indiana, Pa.: John Jaworski 42-yard field goal, 9:21 First Quarter. Drive went 23 yards in 9 plays.

North Dakota State: Chris Simdorn one-yard run (Dave Bowden kick), 3:49 First Quarter. Drive went 78 yards in 12 plays.

North Dakota State: Chris Simdorn 37-yard pass to Dan Goetti (Dave Bowden kick), 9:24 Second Quarter. Drive went 37 yards in 1 play.

Indiana, Pa.: Tony Aliucci 13-yard pass to Johnny White (Aliucci pass to Paul Kovell), :46 Second Quarter. Drive went 38 yards in 6 plays.

North Dakota State: Mark Hansen 6-yard run (Dave Bowden kick failed), 10:16 Third Quarter. Drive went 93 yards in 6 plays.

North Dakota State: Chris Simdorn 44-yard run (Dave Bowden kick failed), 6:16 Third Quarter. Drive went 74 yards in 6 plays.

North Dakota State: Chris Simdorn 75-yard pass to T.R. McDonald (run for two failed), 4:41 Third Quarter. Drive went 75 yards in 1 play.

North Dakota State: Chris Simdorn 57-yard pass to Dan Goetti (Dave Bowden kick failed), 2:24 Third Quarter. Drive went 65 yards in 2 plays.

North Dakota State: Tony Satter 66 -yard run (Dave Dowden kick blocked), :42 Third Quarter. Drive went 66 yards in 1 play.

North Dakota State: Mark Hansen 5-yard (T.R. McDonald kick), 1:03 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 70 yards in 10 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	IUP	NDSU
First Downs	9	23
Rushing Yardage	68	448
Passing Yardage	75	179
Return Yardage	3	17
Passes	7-20-1	4-9-0
Punts	11-34.9	4-30.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	3-15	3-33

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

North Dakota State	7-7-30-7	51
Indiana, Pa.	3-8-0-0	11

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: NDSU- Satter 12-174, Simdorn 16-145, IUP- Michael Mann 11-42

Passing: NDSU- Simdorn 4-8 for 179 yards, IUP- Aliucci 7-19 for 75 yards.

Receiving: NDSU- Dan Goetti 2 catches for 94 yards, T.R. McDonald 2 catches for 85 yards, IUP- Jay Hill 4 catches for 54 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 10,080

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1991

Pittsburg State 23, Jacksonville State 6

Florence, Ala. - The Pittsburg State Gorillas won their first NCAA Division II championship with a 23-6 win over the Jacksonville State Gamecocks. It was JSU's third trip to the Division II title game without a victory. PSU broke a 7-7 tie with a 13-yard Brian Hutchins touchdown run just before halftime. The Gorillas then added two second half scores to seal the win.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Pittsburg State: Ronnie West 17-yard pass from Brian Hutchins (James Jenkins kick), 1:33 First Quarter. Drive went 58 yards in 10 plays.

Jacksonville State: Terence BOWENS 3-yard run (Slade Stinnett kick failed), 9:34 Second Quarter. Drive went 70 yards in 15 plays.

Pittsburg State: Brian Hutchins 13-yard run (James Jenkins kick failed), :16 Second Quarter. Drive went 76 yards in 6 plays.

Pittsburg State: Darren Dawson 10-yard run (James Jenkins kick), 3:12 Third Quarter. Drive went 66 yards in 12 plays.

Pittsburg State: James Jenkins 22-yard field goal, 9:15 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 52 yards in 12 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	JSU	PSU
First Downs	16	18
Rushing Yardage	152	195
Passing Yardage	81	159
Return Yardage	20	13
Passes	8-12-1	10-14-0
Punts	4-29.8	4-39.8
Fumbles-Lost	5-2	1-0
Penalties-Yards	2-30	3-18

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Pittsburg State	7-6-7-3	23
Jacksonville State	0-6-0-0	6

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: JSU- Nickey Edmondson 14 carries for 54yards , PSU-Darren Dawson 23 carries for 95 yards.

Passing: JSU-Nickey Edmondson 5 of 8 for 49 yards, PSU- Hutchins 10 of 14 for 159 yards.

Receiving: JSU- Henry Ray 3 catches for 41 yards, PSU- West 8 catches for 129 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 11,682

1992

Jacksonville State 17, Pittsburg State 13

Florence, Ala. - In its final year of Division II football, the Jacksonville State Gamecocks finally won the national championship, coming back from 7-0 and 14-3 deficits to down Pittsburg State in the first Division II championship game rematch. The game wasn't decided until Eric King stepped in front of a Brian Hutchins pass in the end zone on a fourth-and-six call from the 22. A crowd of 11,733 was on hand for the game that was opened by a 99-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by Harlon Hill Trophy winner Ronald Moore.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Pittsburg State: Ronald Moore 99-yard kickoff return (2-point conversion failed). 14:47 First Quarter

Jacksonville State: Slade Stinnett 42-yard field goal. 12:35 Second Quarter. Drive went 38 yards in 10 plays.

Pittsburg State: Ray Slaten 21-yard pass from Brian Hutchins (Jeff Wood kick). 9:14 Second Quarter. Drive went 52 yards in 7 plays.

Jacksonville State: Danny Lee 8-yard run (Slade Stinnett kick). 2:23 Second Quarter. Drive went 78 yards in 15 plays.

Jacksonville State: Sean Richardson 5-yard run (Slade Stinnett kick). 11:13 Third Quarter. Drive went 71 yards in 8 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	PSU	JSU
First Downs	14	24
Rushing Yardage	156	390
Passing Yardage	98	5
Return Yardage	105	69
Passes	7-15-1	2-4-1
Punts	4-32.2	3-35.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-20	5-35

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Pittsburg State	6-7-0-0	13
Jacksonville State	0-10-7-0	17

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: JSU- Corky Robinson 15 carries for 110 yards, PSU- Ronald Moore 20 carries 83 yards.

Passing: JSU- Corky Robinson 2 of 4 for 5 yards, PSU- Brian Hutchins 7 of 15 for 98 yards and 1 TD

Receiving: JSU Danny Lee 2 catches 5 yards, PSU- Ray Staten 3 catches 47 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 11,733

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1993

North Alabama 41, Indiana, Pa. 34

Florence, Ala. - Cody Gross dove in from one yard out with just ten seconds left to give North Alabama a dramatic 41-34 win over Indiana, Pa. The Indians had tied the game on a 34-yard field goal with just 45 seconds left, but UNA came back and went 69 yards in six plays to win the game. UNA led 14-3 early, but had to rally from a 24-14 fourth quarter deficit. The game turned when Israel Raybon blocked an IUP punt and ignited a 27-point fourth quarter scoring binge. Brian Satterfield led UNA with 180 yards rushing and two touchdowns.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

North Alabama: Demetrea Shelton 5-yard run (Jamie Stoddard kick), 7:57 First Quarter. Drive went 70 yards in 10 plays  
 Indiana, Pa.: Michael Geary 22-yard field goal. 13:35 Second Quarter. Drive went 48 yards in 8 plays.  
 North Alabama: Tyrone Rush 7-yard run (Jamie Stoddard kick), 9:08 Second Quarter. Drive went 80 yards in 12 plays.  
 Indiana, Pa.: Scott Woods 9-yard pass to Scott McClellan (Michael Geary kick), 5:12 Second Quarter. Drive went 71 yards in 10 plays.  
 Indiana, Pa.: Scott Woods pass to Dan Glass (Michael Geary kick), 7:51 Third Quarter. Drive went 84 yards in 11 plays.  
 Indiana, Pa.: Scott Woods 24-yard pass to Theo Turner (Michael Geary kick), :42 Third Quarter. Drive went 28 yards in 2 plays.  
 North Alabama: Cody Gross 24-yard pass to Demetrea Shelton (pass failed), 11:26 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 28 yards in 3 plays.  
 North Alabama: Brian Satterfield 7-yard run (Jamie Stoddard kick), 8:22 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 66 yards in 5 plays.  
 North Alabama: Brian Satterfield 20-yard run (Jamie Stoddard kick), 3:17 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 78 yards in 7 plays.  
 Indiana, Pa.: Michael Mann 1-yard run (Michael Geary kick), 1:54 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 70 yards in 9 plays.  
 Indiana, Pa.: Michael Geary 34-yard field goal, 0:45 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 31 yards in six plays.  
 North Alabama: Cody Gross 1-yard run (Jamie Stoddard kick), 0:10 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 69 yards in 6 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	UNA	IUP
First Downs	21	21
Rushing Yardage	382	158
Passing Yardage	178	299
Return Yardage	20	5
Passes	8-17-0	20-37-2
Punts	4-32.3	4-31.8
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	3-1
Penalties-Yards	3-18	4-31

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Indiana, Pa.	0-10-14-10	34
North Alabama	7-7-0-27	41

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: UNA - Satterfield 23-180-2, Rush 16-79-1, IUP- Michael Mann 25-109-1  
 Passing: UNA - Cody Gross 8-17-0, 178 yards, 1 TD, IUP-Scott Woods 20-37-2, 299 yards 3 TDs  
 Receiving: UNA - Michael Edwards 3 catches 81 yards, Demetrea Shelton 4 catches 98 yards 1 TD, IUP- JeMone Smith 7 catches 141 yards

ATTENDANCE: 15,631

1994

North Alabama 16, Texas A&M-Kingsville 10

Florence, Ala. - North Alabama won its second straight NCAA Division II National Championship by building a 16-3 halftime lead, then relying on a Ronald McKinnon interception of a Wilson Scott pass with 2:11 left to seal the win. UNA became just the third school in Division II history to win two straight national championships. Kenyatta Jones opened the scoring with a 90-yard touchdown run in the first quarter. It was the longest run in championship history. Cody Gross then scored on a one-yard run to give the Lions a 13-0 lead. Texas A&M-Kingsville got on the board on a John Cortez field goal with 2:35 left in the second half. Jamie Stoddard finished the second half scoring with a 24-yard field goal. Dexter Deese scored Texas A&M-Kingsville's only touchdown in the third quarter with 4:12 left.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

North Alabama: Kenyatta Jones 90-yard run (Jamie Stoddard kick), 5:42 First Quarter. Drive went 94 yards in 3 plays.  
 North Alabama: Cody Gross 1-yard run (Stoddard kick failed), 5:11 Second Quarter. Drive went 76 yards in 11 plays.  
 Texas A&M-Kingsville: John Cortez 28-yard field goal. 2:35 Second Quarter. Drive went 9 yards in 4 plays.  
 North Alabama: Jamie Stoddard 24-yard field goal. 0:00 Second Quarter. Drive went 45 yards in 10 plays.  
 Texas A&M-Kingsville: Dexter Deese 1-yard run (John Cortez kick), 4:12 Third Quarter. Drive went 39 yards in 6 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	UNA	TAMUK
First Downs	10	13
Rushing Yardage	222	200
Passing Yardage	58	97
Return Yardage	50	26
Passes	4-10-0	7-20-2
Punts	8-35.9	7-34.8
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	3-0
Penalties-Yards	3-31	6-45

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Texas A&M-Kingsville	0-3-7-0	10
North Alabama	7-9-0-0	16

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: UNA - Jones, 11-103-1, Anthony Brooks, 13-58, TAMUK- Wesley Whiten, 18-102, Dexter Deese, 16-32-1  
 Passing: UNA - Cody Gross 4-9-0, 58 yards, 0 TD's, TAMUK- Wilson Scott, 7-20--3, 97 yards, 0 TD's.  
 Receiving: UNA - Eric Groom 1 catch 23 yards, Michael Edwards 1 catch 11 yards, TAMUK- Karl Williams 2 catches 22 yards, Wesley Whiten 2 catches 5 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 13,526

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1995

North Alabama 27, Pittsburg State 7

Florence, Ala. - North Alabama became the first school in NCAA Division II history to win three straight national championships when the Lions completed a three-year run with a 27-7 rout of Pittsburg State. UNA closed the 1995 season with a perfect 14-0 record and posted a 41-1 record from 1993-95 on the way to three straight championships. In the title game, UNA built a 21-0 halftime lead and was never challenged by the Gorillas, who were making their third appearance in the title game in Florence since 1991. Jermaine Roberts rushed for over 100 yards for the third straight playoff game and scored two touchdowns for the Lions, but the real story of the game was a hip injury to Lion starting quarterback Cody Gross that kept him from the starting the game. Instead, back-up Cale Manley led the game's opening scoring drive, and Gross would later enter the game, despite constant pain, and lead three other scoring drives as the Lions rolled to the win.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

North Alabama: Jermaine Roberts 28-yard run (Jamie Stoddard kick), 8:04 First Quarter. Drive went 76 yards in 12 plays.  
 North Alabama: Jermaine Roberts 5-yard run (Jamie Stoddard kick), 11:16 Second Quarter. Drive went 76 yards in 11 plays.  
 North Alabama: Michael Edwards 13-yard pass from Cody Gross (Jamie Stoddard kick), :05 Second Quarter. Drive went 69 yards in 11 plays.  
 Pittsburg State: Chris Hudson 15-yard pass from Jeff Moreland (Josh Barcus kick), 9:30 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 15 yards in 1 play.  
 North Alabama: Nate George 1-yard run (kick failed), :34 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 44 yards in 9 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	UNA	PSU
First Downs	21	10
Rushing Yardage	249	99
Passing Yardage	131	77
Return Yardage	27	105
Passes	10-24-1	6-19-4
Punts	7-32.8	7-38.3
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	7-75	6-61

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Pittsburg State	0-0-0-7	7
North Alabama	7-14-0-6	27

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: UNA - Roberts 20-107-2, Manley 15-66-0, George 11-38-1, PSU- Passing: UNA - Gross 8-13-0, 102 yards, 1 TD's, Manley 2-11-1, 29 yards, 0 TD's, PSU- Jeff Moreland 6-19-5, 77 yards, 1 TD  
 Receiving: UNA -Demetrea Shelton 5 catches 59 yards, Edwards 4 catches 52 yards 1 TD, Jarius Hayes 1 catch 20 yards, PSU-Hudson 3 catches 34 yards 1 TD, Aiken 2 catches 30 yards, Taylor 1 catch 11 yards, Mayfield 1 catch 2 yards.

ATTENDANCE: 15,241

1996

Northern Colorado 23, Carson-Newman 14

Florence, Ala. - Mike Schauer kicked three field goals to break a 14-14 tie and give the University of Northern Colorado its first NCAA Division II football championship with a 23-14 win over Carson-Newman. In the 11th Division II Championship Game played at Braly Municipal Stadium, Carson-Newman took a 7-0 lead on a first quarter run by Tyrone Westmoreland, but a 36-yard pass from Tom Beck to Andy Haase tied the game early in the second quarter. After a brief UNC lead, Carson-Newman tied the game at 14-14 with 4:31 left in the half. On the final play of the half, Schauer drilled a 42-yard field goal for a 17-14 UNC lead. Schauer booted 45 and 23-yard field goals in the second half to seal the win. Special teams played a pivotal role for the Bears, who converted twice on fake punts and averaged 44.6 yards on five punts when they did kick.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Carson-Newman: Tyrone Westmoreland 57-yard run (Tyson Maples kick) 3:17 First Quarter. Drive went 73 yards in 4 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Andy Haase 36-yard pass from Tom Beck (Mike Schauer kick) 12:46 Second Quarter. Drive went 42 yards in 2 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Billy Holmes 1-yard run (Mike Schauer kick) 7:18 Second Quarter. Drive went 63 yards in 6 plays.  
 Carson-Newman: Tyrone Westmoreland 1-yard run (Tyson Maples kick) 4:31 Second Quarter. Drive went 72 yards in 11 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Mike Schauer 42-yard field goal, 0:00 Second Quarter. Drive went 43 yards in 10 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Mike Schauer 45-yard field goal, 1:29 Third Quarter. Drive went -5 yards in 4 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Mike Schauer 23-yard field goal, 11:20 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 51 yards in 10 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	CNC	UNC
First Downs	21	16
Rushing Yardage	10	9
Passing Yardage	10	6
Return Yardage	165	216
Passes	19-32-3	12-24-0
Punts	3-38.3	5-44.6
Fumbles-Lost	4-3	1-0
Penalties-Yards	4-31	7-60

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Northern Colorado	0-17-3-3	23
Carson-Newman	7-7-0-0	14

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: CNC - Westmoreland 13-99-2, Morton 11-44-0, UNC - Holmes 33-136-1, Beck 7-27-0.  
 Passing: CNC - Allen 30-19-2, 210 yards, UNC - Beck 23-11-0, 142 yards  
 Receiving: CNC - Christopher 7 catches for 105 yards, Westmoreland 5 catches for 42 yards, UNC - Lusk 3 catches for 73 yards, Haase 2 catches for 45 yards

ATTENDANCE: 5,745

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1997

Northern Colorado 51, New Haven 0

Florence, Ala. - In the biggest blowout in the 25-year history of the Division II Football Championship, Northern Colorado routed New Haven 51-0 to claim its second straight national title. The Bears became just the fourth school in Division II history to win back-to-back national championships. UNC scored on its opening possession, driving 72 yards in six plays. The key play was a fake punt on fourth down when Dirk Johnson raced 39 yards for a first down. UNC's Billy Holmes rushed a championship game record 195 yards on 30 carries and scored three times. New Haven's Cazzie Kosciolik, who finished third in the Harlon Hill Trophy voting, was just 20-of-39 passing and was intercepted three times.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

Northern Colorado: Corte McGuffey 20-yard pass to Dillon Micus (Mike Schauer kick), 12:36 First Quarter. Drive went 72 yards in 6 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Billy Holmes 3-yard run (Schauer kick), 8:37 First Quarter. Drive went 50 yards in 6 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Corte McGuffey 40-yard pass to Andy Haase (Schauer kick), 13:42 Second Quarter. Drive went 71 yards in 6 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Billy Holmes 7-yard run (Schauer kick), 1:52 Second Quarter. Drive went 57 yards in 6 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Dean Grable 1-yard pass to Brian Lusk (Schauer kick), 0:01 Second Quarter. Drive went 60 yards in 5 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Cazzie Kosciolik tackled in end zone for safety, 2:43 Third Quarter.  
 Northern Colorado: Billy Holmes 11-yard run (Schauer kick), 14:15 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 53 yards in 7 plays.  
 Northern Colorado: Dean Grable 8-yard run (Schauer kick), 1:22 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 28 yards in 5 plays.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	UNC	UNH
First Downs	19	14
Rushing Yardage	266	22
Passing Yardage	180	182
Return Yardage	46	99
Passes	11-17-0	20-39-3
Punts	7-37.0	5-35.6
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards	11-90	4-27

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Northern Colorado	14-21-2-14	51
New Haven	0-0-0-0	0

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: UNC - Holmes 30-195 3 TDs, Dirk Johnson 1-39, Bryan Applewhite 2-30; UNH-Highsmith 13-52, Kosciolik 13-(-46)  
 Passing: UNC - McGuffey 8-11-0 158 yards, 2 TDs, Dean Grable 3-6-0 22 yards, 1 TD; UNH - Kosciolik 20-39-3, 182 yards, 0 TD  
 Receiving: UNC - Micus 2 for 56 yards, 1 TD, Chicarelli 2 for 15 yards, Haase 2 for 44 yards, 1 TD, Lusk 1 for 7 yards, 1 TD; UNH - Freeman 5 for 1 yards, Eden 5 for 37 yards, Barnes 4 for 60 yards, Roman 3 for 18 yards

ATTENDANCE: 3,352

1998

NW Missouri State 24, Carson-Newman 6

Florence, Ala. - Northwest Missouri State completed a perfect 15-0 season with its 24-6 victory over Carson-Newman in the Division II Football Championship, becoming the first Division II school to win 15 games in a season. Carson-Newman, which lost in the championship game for the second time in three years, took the lead in the 1998 championship game when Jarvoni Jackson scored in the first quarter on a 36-yard pass from Leonard Guyton. Northwest Missouri State took control of the game in the second quarter with 17 points and rolled to the 24-6 win. Chris Greisen completed 22 of 34 passes for 211 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Bearcats. The heavy down pour of rain during the championship game was a handicap for Carson-Newman's running game, which held to just 91 yards rushing.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

Carson-Newman: Jarvoni Jackson 36-yard pass from Leonard Guyton (Pass Failed), 3:03 First Quarter. Drive went 50 yards in five plays.  
 NW Missouri State: Derek Lane 8-yard run (Purnell Kick), 14:13 Second Quarter. Drive went 22 yards in 2 plays.  
 NW Missouri State: Tony Miles 12-yard pass from Chris Greisen (Purnell Kick), 9:58 Second Quarter. Drive went 34 yards in 4 plays.  
 NW Missouri State: David Purnell 42-yard field goal, 1:09 Second Quarter. Drive went 49 yards in 10 plays.  
 NW Missouri State: J.R. Hill 25-yard pass from Chris Greisen (Purnell Kick), 10:11 Third Quarter. Drive went 58 yards in 8 plays.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	NWMS	CNC
First Downs	21	14
Rushing Yardage	135	91
Passing Yardage	211	185
Return Yardage	9	108
Passes	34-22-0	26-12-1
Punts	6-38.2	6-34.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	7-2
Penalties-Yards	4-31	6-49

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Carson-Newman	6-0-0-0	6
Northwest Missouri St.	0-17-7-0	24

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: NWMS- Lane 18-79 1 TD, Greisen 9-34, Miles 1-16, Woolsey 2-4, Jansen 1-2; CN- Oates 10-56, Hawkins 12-35, Allen 4-6, Guyton 6-0, Rumph 1-(-6)  
 Passing: NWMS- Chris Greisen 34-22-0 211 yards, 2 TD; CN- Leonard Guyton 12-3-1 106 yards, 1 TD, Zac Allen 14-9-0 79 yards  
 Receiving: NWMS- Miles 9 for 75 yards, 2 TD, Lane 4 for 20 yards, Maus 3 for 49 yards, Hill 2 for 39 yards, 1 TD, Holmes 2 for 18 yards, George 1 for 6 yards, Cohen 1 for 4 yards; CN- Rumph 4 for 48 yards, Hawkins 3 for 38 yards, Jackson 2 for 66 yards, Cockrell 2 for 45 yards, Allen 1 for -12 yards

ATTENDANCE: 6,149

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

1999

NW Missouri St. 58, Carson-Newman 52 (4 OT)

Florence, Ala. - In one of the most incredible collegiate games ever played, much less with a national championship on the line, Northwest Missouri State pulled out a four-overtime 58-52 win over Carson-Newman for its second straight NCAA Division II National Championship. Northwest rallied from a 44-29 deficit with just over three minutes left and forced overtime with 34-yard TD pass from Travis Miles to J.R. Hill with 10 seconds left and a two-point conversion pass to Ryan George. The winning score came on a 13-yard pass from Miles to Hill in the fourth extra-period to give NWMS a 14-1 final record. Carson-Newman lost in the championship game for the third time in four years and the Eagles record at Braly Stadium dropped to 0-6.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

NW Missouri State: David Jansen 18-yard run (Purnell Kick), 9:21 First Quarter. Drive went 67 yards in 10 plays.  
 Carson-Newman: Ryan Fleming 38-yard field goal, 5:28 First Quarter. Drive went 53 yards in 11 plays.  
 Carson-Newman: Ques Rumph 86-yard punt return (Fleming Kick), 3:39 First Quarter.  
 Carson-Newman: Melvin Oates 1-yard run (Fleming Kick), 8:27 Second Quarter. Drive went 55 yards in 12 plays.  
 Carson-Newman: Myron Refoure 20-yard run (Fleming kick), 3:32 Second Quarter. Drive went 67 yards in 8 plays.  
 NW Missouri State: Seneca Holmes 20-yard pass from Travis Miles (Purnell Kick), 11:54 Third Quarter. Drive went 79 yards in 8 plays.  
 Carson-Newman: Melvin Oates 1-yard run (Purnell Kick Failed), 4:54 Third Quarter. Drive went 53 yards in 6 plays.  
 NW Missouri State: Tony Miles 7-yard pass from Travis Miles (Comer Pass from Miles), 12:44 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 35 yards in 9 plays.  
 Carson-Newman: Leonard Guyton 10-yard run (Fleming Kick), 7:39 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 54 yards in 9 plays.  
 NW Missouri State: Tony Miles 81-yard kickoff return (Purnell Kick), 7:25 Fourth Quarter.  
 Carson-Newman: Antwon Oliver 12-yard run (Flrming Kick), 3:34 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 76 yards in 8 plays.  
 NW Missouri State: J.R. Hill 7-yard pass from Travis Miles (Purnell Kick), 2:41 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 74 yards in 6 plays.  
 NW Missouri State: J.R. Hill 34-yard pass from Travis Miles (George pass from Miles), 0:10 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 74 yards in 7 plays.  
 Carson-Newman: Antwon Oliver 1-yard run (Guyton Run). Third Overtime  
 NW Missouri State: Tony Miles 15-yard run (Steve Somer pass from Travis Miles) Third Overtime  
 NW Missouri State: J.R. Hill 13-yard pass from Travis Miles. Fourth Overtime

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	CNC	NWMS
First Downs	30	26
Rushing Yardage	419	137
Passing Yardage	108	298
Return Yardage	179	150
Passes	7-22-1	24-45-3
Punts	3-37.3	4-41.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	12-87	13-93

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

NW Missouri State	7-0-7-30-0-0-8-6	58
Carson-Newman	10-14-6-14-0-0-8-0	52

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: CNC - Oliver 30-194 2 TDs, Oates 19-106, Refoure 13-73; NWMS- Jansen 18-54, Tony Miles 4-47, Woolsey 7-26  
 Passing: CNC - Leonard Guyton 7-22-1 108 yards, 0 TDs; NWMS - Travis Miles 24-45-3, 298 yards, 5 TD  
 Receiving: CNC - Rumph 3 for 36 yards, Jackson 2 for 20 yards; NWMS - J.R. Hill 7 for 120 yards, 3 TD, Tony Miles 6 for 65 yards, 1 TD, Holmes 5 for 70 yards, 1 TD

ATTENDANCE: 8,451

2000

Delta State 63, Bloomsburg 34

Florence, Ala. - Delta State won its first Division II Football National Championship in record-breaking fashion, defeating Bloomsburg 63-34. The Statesmen scored touchdowns on nine of their 12 possessions in the game, while setting Championship Game records for most first downs (36), most rushing yards (524), and most total yards (649). DSU also set the record for the most points scored in a Division II title game with 63. Quarterback Josh Bright rushed for 175 yards and three touchdowns to lead the assault.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Bloomsburg: Mike Lelko 7-yard pass from Eric Miller (Chris Thompson kick), 12:12 First Quarter. Drive went 66 yards in 9 plays.  
 Delta State: Josh Bright 35-yard run (kick failed), 9:55 First Quarter. Drive went 62 yards in 5 plays.  
 Delta State: Josh Bright 7-yard run (James Grubbs pass from Josh Bright), 5:04 First Quarter. Drive went 54 yards in 11 plays.  
 Bloomsburg: Mike Lelko 2-yard pass from Eric Miller (Chris Thompson Kick), 2:16 First Quarter. Drive went 74 yards in 8 plays.  
 Delta State: Tanny Flowers 1-yard run (Billy Dorgan kick) 12:17 Second Quarter. Drive went 75 yards in 11 plays.  
 Delta State: Rico McDonald 1-yard run (Billy Dorgan kick), 7:26 Second Quarter. Drive went 50 yards in 9 plays.  
 Delta State: Jason Franklin 9-yard run (Billy Dorgan kick), 2:15 Second Quarter. Drive went 65 yards in 10 plays.  
 Bloomsburg: Eric Miller 1-yard run (Chris Thompson kick), 11:39 Third Quarter. Drive went 54 yards in 10 plays.  
 Delta State: Deforest Hart 2-yard run (Billy Dorgan kick), 8:28 Third Quarter. Drive went 65 yards in 7 plays.  
 Bloomsburg: Darryl Williams 16-yard pass from Eric Miller (Chris Thompson kick), 5:49 Third Quarter. Drive went 45 yards in 9 plays.  
 Delta State: Josh Bright 25-yard run (Billy Dorgan kick), 3:51 Third Quarter. Drive went 62 yards in 4 plays.  
 Delta State: Tanny Flowers 7-yard run (Billy Dorgan kick), 12:03 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 74 yards in 13 plays.  
 Delta State: Gary Smith 18-yard run (Billy Dorgan kick), 5:26 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 73 yards in 6 plays.  
 Bloomsburg: Arrastene Henry 5-yard run (kick failed), 3:32 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 67 yards in 5 plays.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	DSU	BU
First Downs	36	21
Rushing Yardage	29	7
Passing Yardage	6	14
Return Yardage	2	4
Passes	9-15-1	23-39-0
Punts	0	3-35.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	5-25	4-25

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

Delta State	14	21	14	14	63
Bloomsburg	14	0	14	6	34

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: DSU - Bright 2-175-3, McDonald 19-86-1, Hart 8-84-1  
 BU- Henry 9-91-1, Glaze 12-43-0  
 Passing: DSU - Bright 11-6-0, 80 yards, 0 touchdowns  
 BU- Miller 39-23-0, 261 yards, 3 touchdowns  
 Receiving: DSU - Jennings 5 catches for 66 yards  
 BU- Lelko 10 catches for 87 yards

ATTENDANCE: 7,123

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

2001

North Dakota 17, Grand Valley State 14

Florence, Ala. - Luke Schleusner caught a Kelby Klosterman pass over the middle on a fourth-and-four-call from his own 41-yard line late in the fourth quarter and went 58 yards to set-up the game winning touchdown in North Dakota's come-from-behind 17-14 National Championship win over Grand Valley State.

JedPerkerewicz bulled in from one yard out on the following play and Cameron Peterka's kick gave UND a 17-14 lead with 29 seconds left in the game.

Grand Valley State had taken a 14-10 lead with just 2:46 left in the game on a 12-yard Ryan Brady run, but North Dakota was able to rally with an 80-yard, nine-play drive to claim its first Division II football title.

### SCORING SUMMARY

North Dakota: Cameron Peterka 36-yard field goal, 11:18 First Quarter. Drive went 10 plays, 56 yards, 3:42.

Grand Valley State: Ryan Brady 2-yard run (Kevin Sonntag kick), 5:55 First Quarter. Drive went 10 plays, 70 yards, 3:14.

North Dakota: Kelby Klosterman 9-yard run (Cameron Peterka kick), 12:55 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 7 plays, 30 yards, 3:32.

Grand Valley State: Ryan Brady 12-yard run (Kevin Sonntag kick), 2:46 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 10 plays, 81 yards, 3:34.

North Dakota: Jed Perkerewicz 1-yard run (Cameron Peterka kick), 0:29 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 9 plays, 80 yards, 2:17.

### TEAM STATISTICS

	UND	GVSU
First Downs	19	16
Rushing Yardage	187	161
Passing Yardage	139	138
Passes	8-27-0	13-27-2
Punts	2-25	2-38
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	5-1
Penalties-Yards	8-50	10-85

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4
North Dakota	3	0	0	14
Grand Valley State	7	0	0	14

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: UND- Perkerewicz 26-97-1, Klosterman 18-79-1  
 GVSU- Brady 15-89-2, Spearmon 7-52-0, Lesniak 7-40-0  
 Passing: UND- Klosterman 27-8-0, 139 yards, 0 TD  
 GVSU- Wojciechowski 22-11-2, 128 yards, 0 TD, Brady 5-2-0, 10 yards, 0 TD.  
 Receiving: UND- Schleusner 3-76-0, Graf 3-41-0  
 GVSU- Kircus 4-58-0, Banks 3-33-0, Lesniak 3-25-0  
 ATTENDANCE: 6,113

2002

Grand Valley State 31, Valdosta State 24

Florence, Ala. - David Kircus scored three touchdowns, including a game-winner with 2:05 left in the game, to lead Grand Valley State to a 31-24 Championship Game win over Valdosta State. Grand Valley held a 24-13 lead in the fourth quarter but Valdosta State tied it with 3:09 left on a Tim Thompson fumble recovery in the end zone and a two-point conversion. Harlon Hill Trophy winner Curt Anes then led the Lakers on a seven-play, 68-yard drive for the winning score that came on a 10-yard pass to Kircus. Kircus also had TD receptions of 54 and 67 yards and finished with a championship game record 270 receiving yards.

### SCORING SUMMARY

Valdosta State: Will Rhody 26-yard field goal, 6:23 First Quarter. Drive went 8 plays, 89 yards, 2:54.

Grand Valley State: Reggie Spearmon 9-yards run (Dave Hendrix kick), 5:37 First Quarter. Drive went 2 plays, 58 yards, 0:46.

Grand Valley State: David Kircus 54-yard pass from Curt Anes (Dave Hendrix kick), 1:06 First Quarter. Drive went 3 plays, 54 yards, 1:35.

Grand Valley State: Dave Hendrix 38-yard field goal, 12:54 Second Quarter. Drive went 5 plays, 23 yards, 2:01.

Valdosta State: Will Rhody 27-yard field goal, 0:34 Second Quarter. Drive went 4 plays, 2-yards, 2:00.

Grand Valley State: David Kircus 67-yard pass from Curt Anes (Dave Hendrix kick), 12:28 Third Quarter. Drive went 4 plays, 69 yards, 1:37.

Valdosta State: Aaron Jenkins 7-yard run (Will Rhody kick), 3:51 Third Quarter. Drive went 14 plays, 56 yards, 4:51.

Valdosta State: Will Rhody 43-yard field goal, 3:30 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 10 plays, 38 yards, 3:50.

Valdosta State: Tim Thompson fumble recovery (C. J. Lofton pass), 3:09 Fourth Quarter.

Grand Valley State: David Kircus 10-yard pass from Curt Anes (Dave Hendrix kick), 1:04 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 7 plays, 68 yards, 2:05.

### TEAM STATISTICS

	VSU	GVSU
First Downs	14	17
Rushing Yardage	65	65
Passing Yardage	181	361
Passes	27-42-3	23-36-1
Punts	2-20	5-54
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards	1-10	6-39

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4
Valdosta State	3	3	7	11
Grand Valley State	14	3	7	31

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: GVSU- Lesniak 8-56-0, Spearmon 14-29-1  
 VSU- Jenkins 20-99-1, Tarpley 1-1-0  
 Passing: GVSU- Anes 36-23-1, 361 yards, 3 TDs;  
 VSU- Faulkner 41-26-3, 139 yards, 0 TD  
 Receiving: GVSU- Kircus 11-270-3, Banks 9-66-0  
 VSU- Mosley 9-47-0, Lofton 5-35-0  
 ATTENDANCE: 9,783

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

2003

Grand Valley State 10, North Dakota 3

Florence, Ala. - Grand Valley State won its second straight Division II Championship with a 10-3 decision in a defensive struggle against North Dakota. The game was a rematch of the 2001 Championship Game in which UND rallied for a 17-14 win in the final minutes. North Dakota tried to rally late in this one as well but the Lakers held on to become the sixth school to win back-to-back national titles. The game was played in wet conditions and neither team could mount much offensively.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

Grand Valley State: Dave Hendrix 19-yard field goal, 7:32 First Quarter. Drive went 17 plays, 79 yards, 7:28.  
 Grand Valley State: Michael Tennessee 1-yard run (Dave Hendrix kick), 9:15 Third Quarter. Drive went 4 plays, 20 yards, 1:29.  
 North Dakota: Jeff Glas 35-yard field goal, 9:47 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 14 plays, 67 yards, 5:33.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	UND	GVSU
First Downs	17	19
Rushing Yardage	22	128
Passing Yardage	281	149
Passes	28-42-1	19-29-0
Punts	0-0	1-27
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	7-64	3-30

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
North Dakota	0	0	0	3	3
Grand Valley State	3	0	7	0	10

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: GVSU- Finnerty 19-78-0; Tennessee 12-38-1  
 UND- Roland 12-43-0; Strouth 4-9-0  
 Passing: GVSU- Finnerty 29-19-0, 149 yards, 0 TD;  
 UND- Bowenkamp 41-28-1, 281 yards, 0 TD  
 Receiving: GVSU- Staley 4-45-0; Locricchio 4-44-0  
 UND- Stattelman 8-57-0; Johnson 7-101-0

ATTENDANCE: 7,236

2004

Valdosta State 36, Pittsburg State 31

Florence, Ala. - Valdosta State overcame an early 14-0 deficit and rallied for a 36-31 win over Pittsburg State for the Blazers first football national championship. With the game tied at 17 in the third quarter, Valdosta State got a safety, a field goal and two touchdowns to push its advantage to 36-24. But Pittsburg State scored with 7:27 to play to pull within five and VSU had to hold on down the stretch. Fabian Walker was 19-of-27 passing for 165 yards and two touchdowns and Vincent Brown had 202 all-purpose yards.

#### SCORING SUMMARY

Pittsburg State: Jimmie Taylor 32-yard interception return (Nathan Alleman kick), 14:04 First Quarter.  
 Pittsburg State: J. Carpenter 10-yard pass from Neal Philpot (Nathan Alleman kick), 7:37 First Quarter. Drive went 9 plays, 63 yards, 4:33.  
 Valdosta State: Zach Parker 1-yard pass from Fabian Walker (Will Rhody kick), 14:12 Second Quarter. Drive went 4 plays, 19 yards, 1:39.  
 Pittsburg State: Nathan Alleman 30-yard field goal, 2:45 Second Quarter. Drive went 12 plays, 67 yards, 6:18.  
 Valdosta State: Fabian Walker 4-yard run (Will Rhody kick), 2:45 Second Quarter. Drive went 9 plays, 69 yards, 5:09.  
 Valdosta State: Will Rhody 27-yard field goal, 0:03. Drive went 6 plays, 45 yards, 0:44.  
 Valdosta State: Team safety 13:19, Third Quarter.  
 Valdosta State: Tyran Robinson 23-yard run (Will Rhody kick) 8:14, Third Quarter. Drive went 7 plays.  
 Pittsburg State: Joe Taylor 1-yard run (Nathan Alleman kick) 2:58, Third Quarter. Drive went 11 plays, 80 yards, 5:16.  
 Valdosta State: Raymond Thomas 7-yard pass from Fabian Walker (Will Rhody kick) 14:15, Fourth Quarter. Drive went 8 plays, 65 yards, 3:43.  
 Valdosta State: Will Rhody 28-yard field goal, 10:49 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 6 plays, 20 yards, 3:15.  
 Pittsburg State: Neal Philpot 1-yard run (Nathan Alleman kick) 7:27, Fourth Quarter. Drive went 8 plays, 73 yards, 3:22.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

	VSU	PSU
First Downs	21	22
Rushing Yardage	201	163
Passing Yardage	165	208
Passes	27-19-1	25-16-2
Punts	2-23	2-66
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-43	5-37

#### SCORE BY QUARTERS

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Valdosta State	0	17	9	10	36
Pittsburg State	14	3	7	7	31

#### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: VSU- Vincent Brown 13-72-0; Ryan Robinson 11-68-1  
 PSU- Neal Philpot 20-117-1; Germaine Race 8-39-0  
 Passing: VSU- Fabian Walker 27-19-1, 165 yards, 2 TD  
 PSU- Andy Majors 14-11-1, 148 yards, 0 TD; Neal Philpot 11-5-1, 60 yards, 1 TD.  
 Receiving: VSU- Rod Dalton 4-48-0; Tyran Robinson 4-22-0.  
 PSU- Tim Austin 8-119-0; J. Carpenter 4-38-1.

ATTENDANCE: 8,604

# 35th NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

**2005**

## Grand Valley State 21, NW Missouri State 17

Florence, Ala. - Grand Valley State took its first lead of the game with 4:25 left and held on for a 21-17 win over Northwest Missouri State in the 2005 Division II Championship Game. The National Championship was GVSU's third in four years. Northwest Missouri State scored on its first two possessions and led 14-7 at the half. Grand Valley tied the game late in the third quarter but Northwest Missouri regained the lead just four second into the fourth quarter on a field goal. The Lakers drove 82 yards and nine plays for the game winning score that came on a 35-yard pass from Cullen Finnerty to Brandon Langston.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

NW Missouri State: Mike Peterson 30-yard pass from Josh Lamberson (Tommy Frevert kick), 7:47 First Quarter. Drove went 13 plays, 70 yards, 7:13.

Grand Valley State: Cullen Finnerty 5-yard run (Scott Greene kick), 4:15 First Quarter. Drive went 8 plays, 69 yards, 3:32.

NW Missouri State: Xavier Omon 2-yard run (Tommy Grevert kick), 13:43 Second Quarter. Drive went 12 plays, 80 yards, 5:32.

Grand Valley State: Cullen Finnerty 3-yard run (Scott Greene kick), 2:15 Third Quarter. Drive went 10 plays, 80 yards, 2:48.

NW Missouri State: Tommy Frevert 35-yard field goal, 14:56 Fourth Quarter. Drive went 7 plays, 62 yards, 2:19.

Grand Valley State: Brandon Langston pass 35-yard pass from Cullen Finnerty (Scott Greene kick), 4:25. Drive went 9 plays, 82 yards, 4:32.

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	GVSU	NWMSU
First Downs	16	20
Rushing Yardage	165	54
Passing Yardage	172	326
Passes	19-12-0	51-33-0
Punts	6-203	5-201
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-15	1-6

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

	1	2	3	4	Total
Grand Valley State	7	0	7	7	21
NW Missouri State	7	7	0	3	17

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: GVSU- Astin Martin 18-72-0; Cullen Finnerty 14-59-2.  
 NWMSU- Xavier Omon 13-63-1; E.J. Faulkner 1-6-0  
 Passing: GVSU- Cullen Finnerty 19-12-0, 172 yards, 1 TD  
 NWMSU- Josh Lamberson 49-33-0, 326 yards, 1 TD  
 Receiving: GVSU- Brandon Langston 4-62-1; Ryan Hukill 3-46-0.  
 NWMSU- Mike Peterson 9-150-1; Kendall Wright 5-44-0.

**2006**

## Grand Valley State 17, NW Missouri State 14

Florence, Ala. - Grand Valley State won its second straight Division II title and fourth in fourth years with a 17-14 win over Northwest Missouri State. GVSU got the winning score on a four-yard touchdown run by Cullen Finnerty with 13:06 left in the fourth quarter. The Lakers led 10-7 at the half but fell behind 14-10 when Xavier Omon scored on a seven-yard run in the thrid quarter.

**SCORING SUMMARY**

Grand Vally State: 14:46 2nd Quarter- Todd Carter 30 yd field goal, 11 plays, 67 yards, TOP 4:30, GV 3-NWMSU 0

NW Missouri State: 11:20 2nd Quarter- Robinson, R. 26 yd pass from Wright, Kendall (Frevert, Tommy kick), 8 plays, 80 yards, TOP 3:26, GV 3-NWMSU 7

Grand Valley State: 07:06 2nd Quarter- Eric Fowler 2 yd pass from Cullen Finnerty (Todd Carter kick), 11 plays, 70 yards, TOP 4:14, GV 10-NWMSU 7

NW Missouri State: 7:00 3rd Quarter- Xavier Omon 7 yd run (Frevert, Tommy kick), 5 plays, 25 yards, TOP 2:16, GV 10-NWMSU 14

Grand Valley State: 13:06 4th Quarter- Cullen Finnerty 4 yd run (Todd Carter kick), 6 plays, 36 yards, TOP 2:49, GV 17-NWMSU 14

**TEAM STATISTICS**

	GVSU	NWMSU
First Downs	19	21
Rushing Yardage	38-123	29-124
Passing Yardage	225	226
Passes	33-15-0	33-21-3
Punts	5-33.0	5-33.0
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-35	3-20

**SCORE BY QUARTERS**

	1	2	3	4	Total
Grand Valley State	0	10	0	7	17
NW Missouri State	0	7	7	0	14

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Rushing: GVSU- Cullen Finnerty 22-115-1.  
 NWMSU- Xavier Omon 26-129-1  
 Passing: GVSU- Cullen Finnerty 33-15-0, 225 yards, 1 TD  
 NWMSU- Josh Matthews 32-20-3, 200 yards, 0 TD  
 Receiving: GVSU- Eric Fowler 7-96-1  
 NWMSU- Kendall Wright 8-85-0

ATTENDANCE: 7,437

## Championship Game Records

### LONG PLAYS

Longest Run: 90 yards by Kenyatta Jones of North Alabama vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville, 1994.  
 Longest Pass: 75 yards from Chris Simdorn to T.R. McDonald of North Dakota State vs. Indiana, Pa., 1990.  
 Longest Punt Return: 86 yards by Ques Rumph of Carson-Newman vs. NW Missouri State in 1999  
 Longest Kickoff Return: 99 yards by Ronald Moore of Pittsburg State vs. Jacksonville State in 1992  
 Longest Interception Return: 61 yards by Vince Hyland of Delaware vs. Youngstown State in 1979.  
 Longest Field Goal: 50 yards by Ted Clem of Troy State vs. North Dakota State in 1984.

### INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Most Passes Attempted: 49 by Josh Lamberson of NW Missouri State vs. Grand Valley State in 2005.  
 Most Passes Completed: 33 by Josh Lamberson of NW Missouri State vs. Grand Valley State in 2005.  
 Most Passing Yards: 361 by Curt Anes of Grand Valley State vs. Valdosta State in 2002.  
 Most Yards Rushing: 195 by Billy Holmes of Northern Colorado vs. New Haven in 1997 on 30 carries.  
 Most Rushing Attempts: 34 by Lawrence Jefferson of Western Kentucky vs. Northern Michigan in 1975.  
 Most Passes Caught: 11 by Pete Ravettine of Delaware vs. Eastern Illinois in 1978 and 11 by David Kircus of Grand Valley State vs. Valdosta State in 2002.  
 Most Yards Receiving: 270 by David Kircus of Grand Valley State vs. Valdosta State in 2002.  
 Most Touchdowns Scored: 4 by Dick Dunham of Central Michigan vs. Delaware in 1974 (all rushing)  
 Most Touchdown Passes: 5 by Travis Miles of NW Missouri State vs. Carson-Newman in 1999.  
 Most Receiving Touchdowns: 3 by J.R. Hill of NW Missouri State vs. Carson-Newman in 1999 and 3 by David Kircus of Grand Valley State vs. Valdosta State in 2002.  
 Most Points Scored: 24 by Dick Dunham of Central Michigan vs. Delaware in 1974 (four touchdowns).  
 Most Field Goals Made: 3 by Ted Clem of Troy State vs. North Dakota State in 1984. 3 by Mike Schauer of Northern Colorado vs. Carson-Newman in 1996. 3 by Will Rhody of Valdosta State vs. Grand Valley State in 2002.

### TEAM RECORDS

Most Points: 63 by Delta State vs. Bloomsburg in 2000  
 Most Points by Both Teams: 110 by NW Missouri State (58) and Carson-Newman (52) in 1999.  
 Largest Margin of Victory: 51 by Northern Colorado in 1997 vs. New Haven.  
 Most Points in a Quarter: 30 by North Dakota State in 1990 in the third quarter vs. Indiana-Pennsylvania; 30 by NW Missouri State in the fourth quarter vs. Carson-Newman in 1999.  
 Most Points in a Losing Effort: 52 by Carson-Newman vs. NW Missouri State (58) in 1999.  
 Most Points in First Half: 35 by Delta State vs. Bloomsburg in 2000 (35-14)  
 Most First Downs: 36 by Delta State vs. Bloomsburg in 2000  
 Most Passes Attempted: 51 by NW Missouri State vs. Grand Valley State in 2005  
 Most Passes Completed: 33 by NW Missouri State vs. Grand Valley State in 2005  
 Most Interceptions Thrown: 4 by Western Kentucky in 1973 vs. Louisiana Tech and Delaware in 1974 vs. Central Michigan.  
 Most Passing Yards: 361 by Grand Valley State vs. Valdosta State in 2002.  
 Most Rushing Yards: 524 by Delta State vs. Bloomsburg in 2000  
 Most Fumbles Lost: 4 by Jacksonville State in 1977 vs. Lehigh, Delaware in 1978 vs. Eastern Illinois, North Dakota State in 1981 vs. Southwest Texas State, and California-Davis in 1982 vs. Southwest Texas State.  
 Fewest Combined Turnovers: 0 by Grand Valley State vs. Northwest Missouri State in 2005  
 Most Yards Penalized: 140 by Eastern Illinois vs. Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.  
 Fewest Yards Penalized: 6 by Northwest Missouri State vs. Grand Valley State in 2005 (1 for 6 yards)  
 Fewest Combined Penalties: 3 by Northwest Missouri State vs. Grand Valley State in 2005 (NWMSU 1 for 6 yards, GVSU 2 for 16 yards)  
 Least Rushing Yards: -12 by Western Kentucky in 1973 vs. Louisiana Tech.  
 Least Passing Yards: 5 by Jacksonville State in 1992 vs. Pittsburg State.  
 Most Total Yards: 649 by Delta State vs. Bloomsburg in 2000  
 Least Total Yards: 76 by Western Kentucky in 1973 vs. Louisiana Tech.

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## Championship Game Records

### TEAM RECORDS

#### Closest Games

OT	Northwest Missouri State vs. Carson-Newman	58-52	1999	4 Overtimes
1	Eastern Illinois over Delaware	10-9	1978	
1	Troy State over North Dakota State	18-17	1984	
2	Northern Michigan over Western Kentucky	16-14	1975	
3	Mississippi College over Jacksonville State	3-0	1989	
3	North Dakota over Grand Valley State	17-14	2001	
3	Grand Valley State over NW Missouri State	17-14	2006	
4	Jacksonville State over Pittsburg State	17-13	1992	
4	Grand Valley State over NW Missouri State	21-17	2005	

#### Late Heroics - Latest Game-Winning Scores

0:00	Ted Clem (Troy State) 50-yd field goal vs. North Dakota State	18-17	1984
0:10	Cody Gross (North Alabama) 1-yard run vs. Indiana, Pa.	41-34	1993
0:29	Jed Perkerewicz (North Dakota) 1 -yard run vs. Grand Valley St.	17-14	2001
1:04	David Kircus (Grand Valley St.) 10-yd pass from Curt Anes vs. Valdosta State	31-24	2002
4 OT	J.R. Hill (NW Missouri St) 13-yd pass from Travis Miles vs. Carson-Newman	58-52	1999

#### Largest Margin of Victory

51	Northern Colorado over New Haven	51-0	1997
40	North Dakota State over Indiana, Pa.	51-11	1990
40	Central Michigan over Delaware	54-14	1974
34	Louisiana Tech over Western Kentucky	34-0	1973
33	Lehigh over Jacksonville State	33-0	1977

#### Most Points Scored - One Team

63	Delta State vs. Bloomsburg	63-34	2000
58	NW Missouri State vs. Carson-Newman	58-52	1999
54	Central Michigan vs. Delaware	54-14	1974
51	Northern Colorado vs. New Haven	51-0	1997
51	North Dakota State vs. Indiana, Pa.	51-11	1990
42	Southwest Texas State vs. North Dakota State	42-13	1981
41	North Alabama vs. Indiana, Pa.	41-34	1993
41	North Dakota State vs. Central State Ohio	41-21	1983

#### Most Total Points - Both Teams

110	NW Missouri State over Carson-Newman	58-52	1999
97	Delta State over Bloomsburg	63-34	2000
75	North Alabama over Indiana, Pa.	41-34	1993
68	Central Michigan over Delaware	54-14	1974
62	North Dakota State over Central State	41-21	1983
62	North Dakota State over Indiana, Pa.	51-11	1990
59	Delaware over Youngstown State	38-21	1979

#### Championship Game Shutouts

1973	Louisiana Tech 34, Western Kentucky 0
1977	Lehigh 33, Jacksonville State 0
1989	Mississippi College 3, Jacksonville State 0
1997	Northern Colorado 51, New Haven 0

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## Championship Game Records

### INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

#### Punt Return Touchdowns in National Championship Game

86	Ques Rumph, Carson-Newman	vs. NW Missouri State	1999
84	Tyrone Braxton, North Dakota State	vs. South Dakota	1986

#### Kickoff Return Touchdowns in National Championship Game

99	Ronald Moore, Pittsburg State	vs. Jacksonville State	1992
81	Tony Miles, NW Missouri State	vs. Carson-Newman	1999

#### Interception Return Touchdowns in National Championship Game

61	Vince Hyland, Delaware	vs. Youngstown State	1979
32	Jimmie Taylor, Pittsburg State	vs. Valdosta State	2004
11	Danny Curtis, Louisiana Tech	vs. Western Kentucky	1973

#### Fumble Recovery or Return Touchdowns in National Championship Game

0	Tim Thompson, Valdosta State	vs. Grand Valley State	2002
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#### Longest Field Goals in National Championship Game

50	Ted Clem, Troy State	vs. North Dakota State	1984
47	Brandt Kennedy, Delaware	vs. Youngstown State	1979
45	Mike Schauer, Northern Colorado	vs. Carson-Newman	1996
44	Ray Sullivan, California Davis	vs. Southwest Texas State	1982
43	Ted Clem, Troy State	vs. Portland State	1987
43	Will Rhody, Valdosta State	vs. Grand Valley State	2002
42	John Jaworski, Indiana (PA)	vs. North Dakota State	1990
42	Slade Stinnet, Jacksonville State	vs. Pittsburg State	1992
42	Mike Schauer, Northern Colorado	vs. Carson-Newman	1996
42	David Purnell, Northwest Missouri St.	vs. Carson-Newman	1998

### MISCELLANEOUS NOTES IN THE DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

\*North Dakota State quarterback Jeff Bentrin scored at least one touchdown in four straight national championship games from 1983-86, while leading the Bison to three national titles.

\*North Dakota State quarterback Jeff Bentrin scored six career TDs in four championship games, one in 1983, one in 1984, two in 1985 and two in 1986.

### SCORING . . . START TO FINISH:

#### TOUCHDOWN ON OPENING KICKOFF

The earliest score in an NCAA Division II Championship Game came in 1992 when Pittsburg State's Ronald Moore returned the opening kickoff 99 yards to put the Gorillas ahead with 14:47 left in the opening period.

#### TOUCHDOWN ON GAME'S FINAL PLAY

Only one NCAA Division II National Championship Game has been won on the final play of the game.

It came on the final play of the 1984 game when Troy State's Ted Clem kicked a championship game record 50-yard field goal to give the Trojans a win over North Dakota State, 18-17.

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## Championship Game Records

### 100-YARD RUSHERS IN THE DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

195	Billy Holmes	Northern Colorado	vs. New Haven	1997	30 carries
194	Antwon Oliver	Carson-Newman	vs. NW Missouri State	1999	30 carries
190	Mike Turk	Troy State	vs. Portland State	1987	25 carries
180	Brian Satterfield	North Alabama	vs. Indiana, Pa.	1993	23 carries
175	Josh Bright	Delta State	vs. Bloomsburg	2000	22 carries
174	Tony Satter	North Dakota State	vs. Indiana, Pa.	1990	12 carries
153	Donnie Williams	Southwest Texas State	vs. North Dakota State	1981	22 carries
151	Tony Satter	North Dakota State	vs. Portland State	1988	11 carries
151	Lawrence Jefferson	Western Kentucky	vs. Northern Michigan	1975	34 carries
145	Chris Simdorn	North Dakota State	vs. Indiana, Pa.	1990	16 carries
136	Billy Holmes	Northern Colorado	vs. Carson-Newman	1996	33 carries
133	Pat Clements	Jacksonville State	vs. Lehigh	1977	16 carries
129	Xavie Omon	Nw Missouri State	vs. Grand Valey State	2006	26 carries
127	Keith Snoddy	Youngstown State	vs. Delaware	1979	27 carries
121	Dick Dunham	Central Michigan	vs. Delaware	1974	16 carries
120	Jeff Bentrin	North Dakota State	vs. Central State	1983	20 carries
116	Charles McDaniel	Louisiana Tech	vs. Western Kentucky	1973	21 carries
115	Cullen Finnenty	Grand Valley State	vs. NW Missouri State	2006	22 carries
113	Ted Horstead	Troy State	vs. North Dakota State	1984	23 carries
113	Chad Stark	North Dakota State	vs. North Alabama	1985	18 carries
111	Randy Awery	Northern Michigan	vs. Western Kentucky	1975	11 carries
111	Charles Johnson	North Alabama	vs. North Dakota State	1985	29 carries
111	Jeff Bentrin	North Dakota State	vs. South Dakota	1986	20 carries
111	Titus Dixon	Troy State	vs. Portland State	1987	4 carries
110	Corky Robinson	Jacksonville State	vs. Pittsburg State	1992	15 carries
109	Michael Mann	Indiana, Pa.	vs. North Alabama	1993	25 carries
107	Jermaine Roberts	North Alabama	vs. Pittsburg State	1995	20 carries
106	Melvin Oates	Carson-Newman	vs. NW Missouri State	1999	19 carries
104	Ricky Sanders	Southwest Texas State	vs. California-Davis	1982	25 carries
103	Kenyatta Jones	North Alabama	vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville	1994	11 carries
102	Wesley Whiten	Texas A&M-Kingsville	vs. North Alabama	1994	18 carries
101	Poke Cobb	Eastern Illinois	vs. Delaware	1978	23 carries

### 100-YARD RECEIVERS IN THE DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

270	David Kircus	Grand Valley State	vs. Valdosta State	2002	11 catches
182	Jay Hooks	Delaware	vs. Youngstown State	1979	4 catches
170	Robbie Martin	Cal Poly-SLO	vs. Delaware	1980	7 catches
156	Pete Racettine	Delaware	vs. Eastern Illinois	1978	11 catches
150	Mike Peterson	NW Missouri State	vs. Grand Valley State	2005	9 catches
146	Matt Means	Central Michigan	vs. Delaware	1974	8 catches
141	Tim Corrigan	Portland State	vs. Troy State	1987	8 catches
141	JeMone Smith	Indiana, Pa.	vs. North Alabama	1993	7 catches
129	Ronnie West	Pittsburg State	vs. Jacksonville State	1991	8 catches
128	Stacy Robinson	North Dakota State	vs. Troy State	1984	4 catches
122	Rod Slaughter	Eastern Illinois	vs. Cal Poly-SLO	1980	6 catches
120	J.R. Hill	NW Missouri State	vs. Carson-Newman	1999	7 catches
119	Tim Austin	Pittsburg State	vs. Valdosta State	2004	8 catches
113	Maurice Mitchell	Northern Michigan	vs. Western Kentucky	1975	4 catches
110	Allen Fleming	UC-Davis	vs. SW Texas State	1982	9 catches
106	Pat Tilley	Louisiana Tech	vs. Western Kentucky	1973	7 catches
105	Christopher	Carson-Newman	vs. Northern Colorado	1996	7 catches

### TWO 100-YARD RECEIVERS IN A DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

170	Robbie Martin	Cal Poly-SLO	vs. Delaware	1980	7 catches
122	Rod Slaughter	Eastern Illinois	vs. Cal Poly-SLO	1980	6 catches

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## Championship Game Records

### THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN THE DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

4	Dick Dunham	Central Michigan	vs. Delaware	1974	all rushing
3	Robbie Martin	Cal Poly-SLO	vs. Eastern Illinois	1980	1 punt return, 2 receiving
3	Billy Holmes	Northern Colorado	vs. New Haven	1997	all rushing
3	J.R. Hill	NW Missouri State	vs. Carson-Newman	1999	all receiving
3	Tony Miles	NW Missouri State	vs. Carson-Newman	1999	1 rush., 1 rec., 1 KO Return
3	Josh Bright	Delta State	vs. Bloomsburg	2000	3 rushing
3	David Kircus	Grand Valley State	vs. Valdosta State	2002	all receiving

### THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN THE DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

5	Travis Miles	NW Missouri State	vs. Carson-Newman	1999	20, 7, 7, 34, 13
3	Scott Brunner	Delaware	vs. Youngstown State	1979	74, 5, 25
3	Mike Miller	Southwest Texas St.	vs. North Dakota State	1981	35, 64, 44
3	Chris Crawford	Portland State	vs. North Dakota State	1988	45, 16, 11
3	Chris Simdorn	North Dakota State	vs. Indiana, Pa.	1990	37, 75, 57
3	Scott Woods	Indiana, Pa.	vs. North Alabama	1993	9, 5, 24
3	Eric Miller	Bloomsburg	vs. Delta State	2000	7, 2, 16
3	Curt Anes	Grand Valley State	vs. Valdosta State	2002	54, 67, 10

### RUSHING STANDARDS

\*30 backs have rushed for more than 100 yards in the National Championship Game. Only seven of those played on teams that lost in the title game.

\*The 1999 loss by Carson-Newman to NW Missouri State marked the first time that a team had two players rush for over 100 yards, and still lost - when Carson-Newman's Antwon Oliver (194) and Melvin Oates (106) both went over 100 yards in a 58-52 4 OT loss.

\*There has only been three Championship Game where two players from the same team rushed for more than 100 yards. There have been several games that have featured 100-yard rushers from the two opposing schools.

### TWO 100-YARD RUSHERS IN THE SAME CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

1987	Titus Dixon, Troy State	111
	Mike Turk, Troy State	190
1990	Chris Simdorn, North Dakota State	145
	Tony Satter, North Dakota State	174
1975	Randy Awery, Northern Michigan	111
	Lawrence Jefferson, Western Kentucky	151
1985	Chad Stark, North Dakota State	113
	Charles Johnson, North Alabama	111
1993	Brian Satterfield, North Alabama	180
	Michael Mann, Indiana, Pa.	109
1994	Wesley Whitten, Texas A&M-Kingsville	102
	Kenyatta Jones, North Alabama	103
1999	Antown Oliver, Carson-Newman	194
	Melvin Oates, Carson-Newman	106
2006	Cullen Finnenty, Grand Valley State	115
	Xavier Omon, NW Missouri State	129

### SAME PLAYER RUSHING FOR 100-YARDS IN TWO DIFFERENT CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

Jeff Bentrin, North Dakota State	120 in 1983 vs. Central State of Ohio
	111 in 1986 vs. South Dakota
Tony Satter, North Dakota State	151 in 1988 vs. Portland State
	174 in 1990 vs. Indiana, Pa.
Billy Holmes, Northern Colorado	136 in 1996 vs. Carson-Newman
	195 in 1997 vs. New Haven



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### Championship Game-by-Game Statistics

1986	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
USD	7	14	51	163	13-6-1	69	64-232	2-2	2-11	1-2	5-61	1-7	28:52
NDSU	27	19	59	307	6-4-1	47	65-354	1-0	3-25	1-84	2-23	1-6	31:18
1987	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
PSU	17	19	41	135	37-22-2	287	78-422	2-0	6-35	1-9	5-85	0-0	32:36
TSU	31	19	55	398	12-5-0	73	67-471	5-2	4-50	4-33	4-80	2-29	27:24
1988	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
PSU	21	18	33	95	35-22-1	333	68-425	2-1	4-30	1--5	4-60	0-0	24:45
NDSU	35	19	63	339	4-2-0	26	67-365	2-0	1-15	1-14	3-35	1-33	35:15
1989	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
MC	3	8	40	111	17-9-0	118	57-229	4-2	2-20	4-50	1-9	2-31	31:35
JSU	0	8	41	126	14-5-2	40	55-166	4-2	3-20	2-10	2-34	0-0	28:25
1990	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
NDSU	51	23	63	448	9-4-0	179	71-627	3-2	3-33	4--3	3-33	1-20	32:09
IUP	11	9	38	68	20-7-1	75	58-143	0-0	3-15	1-3	8-173	0-0	27:51
1991	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
PSU	23	18	54	195	14-10-0	159	68-354	1-0	3-18	2-12	1-25	1-0	30:21
JSU	6	16	68	152	12-8-1	81	80-233	5-2	2-30	2-20	5-69	0-0	29:39
1992	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
PSU	13	14	41	156	15-7-1	98	56-254	0-0	2-20	2-0	3-105	1-0	21:43
JSU	17	24	76	390	4-2-1	5	80-395	0-0	5-35	2-30	2-37	1-2	38:17
1993	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
UNA	41	21	56	359	17-8-0	178	73-537	4-1	3-18	2-14	3-26	2-6	31:22
IUP	34	21	36	134	37-20-2	299	71-433	3-1	4-31	1-5	6-103	0-0	28:38
1994	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
UNA	16	10	47	222	10-4-0	58	57-280	4-2	3-31	2-5	3-45	3-27	27:00
TAMK	13	13	49	200	20-7-2	97	69-297	3-0	6-45	4-19	4-7	0-0	33:00
1995	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
UNA	27	21	58	249	24-10-1	131	82-380	3-1	7-75	2-3	2-24	4-0	40:13
PSU	7	10	27	99	19-6-4	77	46-176	2-1	6-61	2-10	5-95	1-0	19:47
1996	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
UNC	23	16	44	216	24-12-0	151	68-367	1-0	7-60	3-61	2-24	3-28	30:57
CN	14	21	39	165	32-19-3	210	71-375	4-3	4-31	3-48	5-86	0-0	29:03
1997	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
UNH	0	14	29	22	39-20-3	182	68-204	2-2	4-27	1--2	7-101	0-0	26:06
UNC	51	19	53	266	17-11-0	180	70-446	3-0	11-90	3-16	2-30	3-20	33:54
1998	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
NWMS	24	21	31	141	34-22-0	211	65-346	1-1	4-31	3-4	1-2	1-3	33:22
CN	6	14	33	91	26-12-1	185	59-276	7-2	6-49	3-36	4-72	0-0	26:38

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### Championship Game-by-Game Statistics

1999	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
NWMS	58	26	34	137	45-24-3	298	79-435	0-0	13-93	2-3	5-147	1-7	25:45
CN	52	30	77	419	22-7-1	108	99-527	2-2	12-87	4-88	7-91	3-15	34:15
2000	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
DSU	63	36	29	524	15-9-1	125	84-649	1-0	5-25	1-2	4-66	0-0	37:36
BU	34	21	27	133	39-23-0	261	66-394	1-1	4-25	0-0	8-182	1-4	22:24
2001	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
GVSU	14	16	34	161	27-13-2	138	61-299	5-1	10-85	2-38	3-59	0-0	24:38
UND	17	19	50	187	27-8-0	139	77-326	0-0	8-50	2-25	2-42	2-65	35:22
2002	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
GVSU	31	17	30	65	36-23-1	361	66-426	2-2	6-39	5-54	6-101	3-8	27:25
VSU	24	14	35	65	42-27-3	181	77-246	3-0	1-10	2-20	6-99	1-36	32:35
2003	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
GVSU	10	19	34	128	29-19-0	149	63-277	1-1	3-30	1-27	1-17	1-3	29:47
UND	3	17	23	22	42-28-1	281	65-303	3-1	7-64	0-0	3-50	0-0	30:13
2004	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
VSU	36	21	37	201	27-19-1	165	366	3-1	3-43	2-23	6-119	2-65	31:09
PSU	31	22	40	163	25-16-2	208	371	4-2	5-37	0-0	5-76	1-32	28:51
2005	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
GVSU	21	16	42	165	19-12-0	172	337	0-0	2-16	2-16	4-107	0-0	27:39
NWMS	17	20	24	54	51-33-0	326	380	0-0	1-6	2-26	4-72	0-0	32:21
2006	Pts	1st	Rushing	Yds	Passing	Yds	Total Off.	Fum.	Pen.	PRet.	KORet	INTRet	Poss.
GVSU	17	19	38	123	33-15-0	225	348	3-2	6-35	0-0	3-61	3-17	32:33
NWMS	14	21	29	124	33-21-3	226	350	1-1	3-20	3-6	1-21	0-0	27:27