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Trinity Claims Second Straight NESCAC Championship

Trinity won its second straight NESCAC Football title and eighth overall on Saturday. The Bantams defeated Wesleyan, 28-3, and Williams defeated Amherst, 31-24, in overtime to help Trinity capture the championship. The Mammoths came back from a 24-3 deficit to tie the game up with just seven minutes remaining and force overtime before eventually falling to the Ephs. Middlebury posted a 35-24 victory at Tufts to finish the season as the NESCAC Runner-Up. The Panthers won the head-to-head tiebreaker with Amherst.

Recent Results

Week 9 - Saturday, November 11
Colby def. Bowdoin, 31-20
Middlebury def. Tufts, 35-24
Hamilton def. Bates, 35-14
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Trinity def. Wesleyan, 28-3

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NESCAC Offensive Player of the Week

Jake Schwern | Colby
Junior, Running Back, Glen Ridge, N.J.
Schwern broke or tied three school records and had the highest single-game rushing total in the NESCAC this year with 257 yards (9.2 yards per rush) in a 31-20 win over Bowdoin. With Colby trailing 20-10 in the third quarter, Schwern had three unanswered touchdowns of 34, 58, and 1 yard to put the Mules up 31-20. He also had a 33-yard scoring run in the second quarter. The 257 yards broke the single-game Colby record of 247 yards set by Brian Cooley ’90 in the 1989 season against Bowdoin. Schwern also tied school records for most touchdowns scored in a game (4) and most points scored in a game (24).

NESCAC Co-Defensive Players of the Week

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Colby Jones | Hamilton
Junior, Defensive Back, Hazlet, N.J.
Jones was credited with a career-high 12 tackles, including nine solo stops, in Hamilton’s win against Bates. He also returned an interception 24 yards, recovered a fumble, and blocked a 33-yard field goal attempt as the Bobcats were trying to go up 10-0 early in the first quarter.

NESCAC Special Teams Player of the Week

Adam Regensburg | Williams
Senior, Punter/Wide Receiver, Pottstown, Pa.
Regensburg punted nine times in the Ephs’ overtime win against Amherst. He averaged 33.2 yards per punt, landing four of his nine boots inside the 20. On a fake punt, he had a 20-yard rush that gave the Ephs a first down and set up their third touchdown on the game. He also caught a team-high nine passes for 78 yards.
Amherst Mammoths
Team Record | 7-2
Week 9: defeated by Williams, 31-24 (OT)
• Entering the game in the second half, senior Reece Foy (Honolulu, Hawaii) finished 13-for-26 for 148 yards and two touchdowns to register a 115.5 efficiency rating while highlighting a Mammoths’ comeback that featured 21 straight points to force overtime against Williams.
• Sophomore John Ballard (Houston, Texas) came up with a clutch interception at the Ephs 28-yard line and returned the ball into the end zone to record a pick-six, tying up the game at 24-24, and forcing overtime against the Ephs.
• Sophomore Avery Saffold (Chicago, Ill.) notched 65 yards on three kick off returns to average 21.7 yards per return in Amherst’s contest against the Ephs. Saffold also chipped in two punt returns for 33 yards (16.5 yards per return).

Bates Bobcats
Team Record | 2-7
Week 9: defeated by Hamilton, 35-14
• Bates junior running back Kyle Flaherty (Litchfield, Maine) rushed for 62 yards and a touchdown on 12 carries in a 35-14 loss at Hamilton. First-year quarterback Brendan Costa (Westport, Mass.) completed 13-of-22 passes for 186 yards and a touchdown and rushed for 40 yards on nine carries.
• Sophomore free safety Jon Lindgren (Plainville, Conn.) had a game-high 11 solo tackles in the game. Junior defensive end Tyler Harrington (Haverhill, Mass.) had six tackles and his fourth sack of the season.

Bowdoin Polar Bears
Team Record | 0-9
Week 9: defeated by Colby, 31-20
• In a stellar effort, senior Nick Vailas (Boston, Mass.) set a new single-game receiving record for Bowdoin with 230 yards against Colby and tied the single-game mark with 14 receptions, breaking and tying marks set by Pat Noone in 2009.
• Junior quarterback Noah Nelson (Falmouth, Maine) recorded 322 yards passing on 27-45 with two touchdowns and also had 33 yards rushing against the Mules.
• Rookie Liam Dougherty (Summit, N.J.) led Bowdoin with a dozen tackles against Colby.

Colby Mules
Team Record | 1-8
Week 9: defeated Bowdoin, 31-20
• Senior defensive end Craig Strand (Watertown, Mass.) forced a fumble, had a team-high 10 tackles, a game-high eight solo tackles, added three tackles for loss, and two sacks in a 31-20 win over Bowdoin on Saturday.
• Senior kicker/punter John Baron (Medford, Mass.) was 1-for-1 on field goals, a 38-yarder for Colby’s first points of the game against Bowdoin. He made all four of his extra points, tied a Colby career record for field goals made, and had one punt inside the 20-yard line and another one as a fair catch in his team’s 31-20 win over the Polar Bears. He finished his career with 20 made field goals and tied a school record.

Hamilton Continentals
Team Record | 3-6
Week 9: defeated Bates, 35-14
• Senior RB Marcus Gutierrez (Oakdale, N.Y.) rushed for a career-high 134 yards and a touchdown on 23 carries in Hamilton’s win against Bates. His 7-yard touchdown run midway through the third quarter gave the Continentals a 21-7 lead. He carried the ball 10 times for 55 yards as Hamilton ran out the final 8:54 in the fourth quarter.
• Sophomore Sam Robinson (Bethesda, Md.) returned the second half’s opening kickoff 87 yards for a touchdown that gave Hamilton the lead for good at 13-7 against Bates. It was Hamilton’s first kickoff return for a score since Oct. 11, 2014.

Middlebury Panthers
Team Record | 7-2
Week 9: defeated Tufts, 35-24
• Sophomore Frank Cosolito (Medfield, Mass.) made nine catches for 100 yards with three touchdowns, all career highs, in the win at Tufts. The tight end caught TD passes of 4, 15 and 18 yards, including a score that put Middlebury up for good in the third quarter. The Panthers went on to earn a 35-24 road win at Tufts to finish at 7-2 and the runner-up in the NESCAC.
Trinity Bantams

Team Record | 8-1

Week 9: defeated Wesleyan, 28-3
- Rookie Jonathan Girard (Poughkeepsie, N.Y.) caught four passes for 108 yards, including touchdown receptions of 15 and 29 yards, to help Trinity down Wesleyan, 28-3, and clinch its second consecutive NESCAC title.
- Junior Shane Libby (Scituate, Mass.) had a team-high 10 tackles, including nine solo hits, and added 2.5 sacks for eight yards lost and 3.5 tackles for loss for 12 yards lost in the win over Wesleyan. The Trinity defense kept its opponent out of the end zone for the fourth time this season and held Wesleyan to 1.7 rushing yards per attempt.
- Sophomore Ian McDonald (Avon, Conn.) averaged 44.0 yards per attempt on three punts against the Cardinals. Two of McDonald’s punts landed inside the Cardinals’ 20-yard line.

Tufts Jumbos

Team Record | 5-4

Week 9: defeated by Middlebury, 35-24
- Junior quarterback Ryan McDonald (Annandale, N.J.) rushed for a game-high 145 yards and a touchdown on 29 carries (5.0 avg) in Tufts’ loss to Middlebury. After Tufts trailed 14-0 early, his 23-yard touchdown run gave the Jumbos a 21-14 lead at 12:11 of the second quarter. He also had his longest run of the season, 51 yards, and finished the year with 722 yards to place third in the conference. McDonald also completed 11 passes for 121 yards.
- Brett Phillips (Wilton, Conn.) and Steve DiCienzo (Abington, Mass.), two of 17 Jumbo seniors who were honored in a pregame ceremony, led Tufts with nine stops apiece. Having committed to Tufts while the program was in the midst of a long losing streak, the seniors helped the Jumbo program post a 22-11 record during their four years.
- Rookie Matthew Alwsanger (Stamford, Conn.) connected on a 41-yard field goal for his longest make of the year at 9:21 of the third quarter pulling Tufts within 26-24 against the Bantams. Two of McDonald’s punts landed inside the Cardinals’ 20-yard line.

Wesleyan Cardinals

Team Record | 6-3

Week 9: defeated by Trinity, 28-3
- The 2017 season was a historic one for senior wide receiver Mike Breuler (Hamden, Conn.). Breuler set 10 program records - total points scored in a season (44), total touchdowns in a season (24), total career touchdowns (42), touchdown passes in a season (20), completions in a game (39), completions in a season (232), passing yards in a season (2,643), consecutive passes in a game (11) and season (11), and total offense yards (3,117). Breuler finished with a program record 87 catches this year while recording 1,167 yards and 10 touchdowns.
- Junior Brandon Morris (Davie, Fla.) led all players with 11 tackles in the season finale against Trinity. He finished the year as the NESCAC leader in tackles with a total of 95, averaging 10.6 per game. He also recorded four sacks in 2017.
- Sophomore Sam Han (Tacoma, Wash.) punt six times for 214 yards (35.7 average) while placing two within the five-yard line against the Bantams.

Williams Ephs

Team Record | 6-3

Week 9: defeated Amherst, 31-24 (OT)
- Rookie quarterback Bobby Maimaron (Duxbury, Mass.) accounted for 316 total yards and four touchdowns, including the game-winning scamper in overtime, as Williams upset Amherst 31-24 for its first win at home versus the Mammoths since 2007. Maimaron rushed for a game-high 133 yards on 33 carries and all four of his touchdowns came via the ground -- tying a Williams single-game record. His 11-yard TD run in overtime snapped a 24-24 tie.
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7 Middlebury L, 35-31  
14 at Colby W, 40-7  
21 Wesleyan W, 21-17  
28 at Tufts W, 31-26  
November  
4 Trinity W, 28-20  
11 at Williams L, 31-24 (OT) |
| **Bates (2-7)**  | September  
16 at Amherst L, 41-17  
23 Trinity L, 51-0  
30 Tufts L, 37-17  
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7 at Williams L, 47-14  
14 at Wesleyan L, 41-23  
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28 at Colby W, 27-24  
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4 Bowdoin W, 24-17  
11 at Hamilton L, 35-14 |
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16 at Williams L, 28-14  
23 Middlebury L, 41-14  
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