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Oahu Bowl-bound UH tops Navy, 48-41

Hawaii receiver Dwight Carter, right, is running free with Navy defender Bas Williams closing in on the play.

Robinson passes for 530 yards, five touchdowns

By Stephen Tsai
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In a pregame ceremony last night, the University of Hawaii football team received the Western Athletic Conference championship trophy and a formal invitation to play Oregon State in the Oahu Bowl on Christmas Day.

The Rainbow Warriors then went out and delivered a historical 48-41 victory over Navy before 39,559 at Aloha Stadium.

"What a great season this is," said quarterback Dan Robinson, who threw for a UH single-game record 530 yards and five touchdowns, including a 26-yarder to Dwight Carter for the decisive score with 5:21 to play. Robinson also ran 3 yards for another touchdown.

Last week, the Rainbow Warriors won a share of the WAC title and a berth in a postseason bowl.

Last night, the Rainbow Warriors, who were 0-12 last year, improved to 8-3, tying the NCAA record for greatest one-season improvement.

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Florida State's Peter Warrick gets by Florida's Marcus Oquendo-Johnson to score a touchdown during the first quarter.

Sugar is sweet for top-rated Florida St.

Seminoles hold off No. 3 Gators

Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — When the final pass fell incomplete in the end zone, and No. 1 Florida State had locked up yet another chance at a national title, the Seminoles raced to midfield for their rendition of the Swamp Stomp.

"If you can win here in The Swamp," Florida State's Peter Warrick said, "that's the best way to prove you can win a national championship. We are a great team."

Warrick ran for one touchdown and set up the clinching score with a 38-yard catch, and Sebastian Janikowski kicked three field goals — one from 54 yards — as the Seminoles beat No. 3 Florida, 30-23, yesterday before a record crowd of 85,747 at Florida Field.

The win all but clinched a spot for coach Bobby Bowden and the Seminoles (11-0) in the Sugar Bowl, the site of the Bowl Championship Series' national title game on Jan. 4.

"Every time Florida and Florida State play, it puts someone in the national championship game," Bowden said after his Seminoles completed their third perfect regular season. "We're just happy we're there."

The Gators (9-2) were their own worst enemy in losing for just the fourth time — second this season — in 61 home games under coach Steve Spurrier. Florida was called for 15 penalties total-

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Texas Christian's LaDainian Tomlinson celebrates after setting an NCAA rushing record against Texas-El Paso. Tomlinson says he'll buy steaks for his offensive linemen.

TCU's Tomlinson rushes for NCAA-best 406 yards

Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — LaDainian Tomlinson may be running into contention for next year's Heisman Trophy.

Tomlinson broke the NCAA Division I-A rushing record, gaining 406 yards and scoring six touchdowns yesterday in TCU's 52-24 victory over Texas-El Paso.

Tomlinson carried 43 times and topped the record held by Tony Sands of Kansas, who rushed for 396 yards on 58 carries against Missouri on Nov. 23, 1991.

"All the credit goes to the offensive line. They've done a great job of creating holes all season," said Tomlinson, a junior and first-year starter. "I need to buy them a couple of steaks."

And it's an offensive line that will return intact next season. There are no seniors in the group, and the starting five includes four juniors and a sophomore.

Touchdown runs of 70 and 63 yards on consecutive carries in the fourth quarter got Tomlinson close to the record. So even with a 48-24 lead, TCU (6-4, 4-2 Western Athletic Conference) sent him back out for its final drive of the game, and he broke the 400-yard barrier with a 7-yard carry.

"If he's so close to something like that, you've got to let him finish it off," said TCU coach Dennis Franchione. "We just wanted to get him his 20 yards."

"Tomlinson's runs were unbelievable. There was nobody near him," said UTEP coach Charlie Bailey, whose team finished 5-7 and 3-4. "Sometimes it was missed assignments and sometimes it was not."

FERD LEWIS

STAFF COLUMNIST

Jones must be Coach of the Year

When the waning seconds were being counted down; when it was all over but the celebrating, there was University of Hawaii football coach June Jones in full sprint from the sidelines onto the field at Aloha Stadium last night, his players at his heels.

It made for an altogether symbolic finish to the 48-41 victory over Navy that allowed the Rainbows at least a tie for the NCAA record for the biggest single-season turnaround and the best rebound by a team that had gone witless the season before.

For 11 games into this season of widening wonder for the sudden-ly 8-3 Rainbows, it seems neither the players who have regularly sought to give him the ritual Gatorade bath nor the weekly competition has been able to keep up with this man named Jones.

So far has Jones outdistanced his field this year that it will be an upset if his name is not one of the three on the list of finalists announced tomorrow for the Football News National Coach of the Year, the first of the major coaching awards.

Based upon what he has done, taking the Rainbows to a shot at 9-3 with next week's season finale with Washington State remaining, it is hard to see how Jones couldn't walk away with the hardware.

Oregon State's Dennis Erickson — Jones' likely protagonist in the Christmas Day Oahu Bowl — Minnesota's Glen Mason, Virginia Tech's Frank Beamer, they have all had seasons to remember.

But Jones has had one for the record books in directing, for all intents and purposes, the same team that went 0-12 to a share of the Western Athletic Conference title and a post-season berth in weekly dramatic fashion.

He has been largely responsible for not only turning around a record but an attitude.

In that this latest chapter in the Rainbows' lengthening string of stirring victories underlines a lot of what he has meant to the Rainbows and this state.

For until Jones took over in Manoa, bringing a lifetime of run-and-shoot experience and a safecracker's knack for solving three-deep defenses with him, last night's shootout was precisely the kind of game the Rainbows could not have expected to win.

In a game where the teams combined for 1,079 yards and 86 points, the Rainbows possessed the ultimate quick-strike potential.

In another week when it came down to who scored last, the Rainbows had the firepower to prevail.

Never mind that by the time this 3-hour, 47-minute scoreathon ended it was 2:30 a.m. on the East Coast and the precincts in the voting for Coach of the Year had been closed.

What the Rainbows achieved with last night's victory should be the finishing touches on a Coach of the Year award for the man who deserves it most.

JONES: Responsible for UH's turnaround

Yokozuna Musashimaru captures Kyushu tourney

Advertiser Staff

FUKUOKA, Japan — Hawaii-born Musashimaru won the battle of yokozuna (grand champion) on Sunday, defeating Takanohana to capture the Kyushu Grand Sumo Tournament.

Musashimaru (Waianae's Fiamalu Penitani) and Takanohana entered the 15th and final day tied at 11-3.

After Takanohana jumped the gun, forcing a restart, both wrestlers got firm grips an each other's belts.

Takanohana tried pushing Musashimaru back, but was unsuccessful.

MUSASHIMARU: Won 4 titles this year

Takanohana, who was seeking his 21st championship title, then tried an arm throw, but was blocked by Musashimaru who flipped Takanohana to the ground with an arm throw of his own.

The victory gave Musashimaru his second consecutive Emperor's Cup. He's won four of six tournaments this year and seven overall.

Kyushu Grand Sumo Tournament

At Fukuoka; Day 15 of 15

Rank	Winner	Record	Rank	Loser	Record
J1	Kirikuyama	10-5	M13	Tochinoiwaki	10-5
M13	Daizen	7-8	M11	Chiyokirai	8-7
J1	Hayateumi	8-7	M11	Kaiho	8-7
M9	Asamosuka	9-6	M14	Takanowaka	9-6
M7	Higonoumi	7-8	M8	Chiyotenzan	7-8
M6	Wakanosatoa	7-8	M13	Ohisode	8-7
M4	Kaiyama	5-10	M8	Kyokutenho	6-9
M10	Kenanoshima	8-7	M4	Terao	5-10
M2	Kotonishiki	7-8	M12	Tokitsukumi	8-7
M3	Kyokushuzan	5-10	M2	Takatoriki	2-13
M1	Miyabiyama	8-7	M10	Shikishima	8-7
M3	Asamushio	4-11	M1	Tamakasuga	3-12
K	Tosanoumi	10-5	M6	Kotonyu	9-6
M5	Kotonowaka	8-7	K	Ikenoshima	3-12
K	Mutsuyama	10-5	M7	Minatofuji	7-8
S	Tochiazuma	10-5	M5	Toki	9-6
S	Kaio	11-4	O	Takanonami	6-9
O	Chiyotaikai	9-6	O	Dejima	10-5
Y	Musashimaru	12-3	Y	Takanohana	11-4

BYUH advances to quarterfinals

With HPU out, NCAA Div. II will have new champ

By Dayton Morinaga
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LAIE—Once again, the only activity taking place in the Cannon Activities Center last night was a victory by the Brigham Young-Hawaii women's volleyball team.

The Seasiders won the NCAA Division II Pacific Regional Tournament with a 16-14, 18-16, 15-5 victory over Cal State-Bakersfield. With the victory, BYUH advances to the quarterfinals of the NCAA-II National Championship Tournament, which will be held Dec. 3-5 at Battle Creek, Mich.

It was the Seasiders 62nd consecutive win at Cannon, a streak dating to 1984.

"I don't know what it is, really," said BYUH senior middle blocker Arlete Silva, who will end her career never having lost a home match.

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