

2009 COLLEGE BASKETBALL INVITATIONAL

FIRST ROUND

MARCH 17 & 18

QUARTERFINALS

MARCH 23



SEMIFINALS

MARCH 25

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

MARCH 30, APRIL 1 & 3



GAME 11

NORTHEASTERN VS. UTEP CBI QUARTERFINALS - MARCH 23, 2009 - 8 PM MT DON HASKINS CENTER - EL PASO, TEXAS

PROBABLE LINEUPS

NORTHEASTERN	POS	UTEP	POS
Chaiison Allen	G	Stefon Jackson	G
Matt Janning	G/F	Julyan Stone	G
Manny Adako	F	Jason Jones	F
Eugene Spates	F	Arnett Moultrie	F
Nkem Ojougboh	C	Wayne Portalatin	F

PLAYERS TO WATCH

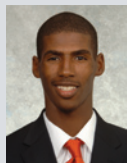


MATT JANNING

Jr. • G/F • Northeastern

Junior captain Matt Janning leads the team in scoring at 14.3 points per game and averaged 4.8 rebounds this season. He was named to the National Association

of Basketball Coaches (NABC) District 10 first team. Janning had seven 20-point games on the season and was named CAA Player of the week twice (Nov. 24th and Jan. 26th). Earlier this season, Janning became the 28th Husky to reach the 1,000 career points plateau. In conference, Janning finished 7th in scoring, 13th in field goal percentage (39.9%), 14th in free throw percentage (73.8%), and 9th in steals averaging 1.4 per game.



STEFON JACKSON

Sr. • G • UTEP

The nation's fifth best scorer and second in Conference USA, Jackson averages 24.3 points per game. He leads the country in free throws made (274) and attempted

(329). He is the all-time leading scorer in UTEP history with 2,325 points. He has fourteen 30-point games putting him among the top in Miner history. On December 30, Jackson posted a career-high 44 points in a OT loss to Santa Clara. He was also pegged to the United States Basketball Writers Association (USBWA) All-District VII Team for the second year in a row.

TONIGHT'S OTHER GAMES

Charleston vs. Richmond • 7 p.m. ET Robins Center • Richmond, Va.

The backcourts may determine the winner in this game. Andrew Goudelock and Tony White, Jr. combined for 53 points in their first round win, while David Gonzalez and Kevin Anderson netted 47 in their win over St. John's.

Stanford vs. Wichita State • 8 p.m. ET Koch Arena • Wichita State, Kans.

Wichita State is led by the backcourt combo of Clevin Hannah and Toure' Murry, but face Stanford who scored 96 points in their Opening Round win over Boise State.

Vermont vs. Oregon State • 10 p.m. ET Gill Coliseum • Corvallis, Ore.

Two-time America East Player of the Year Marqus Blakely leads the Catamounts against the Beavers, who have gone from 0-18 in the Pac 10 last year to the postseason this year.

NORTHEASTERN HUSKIES

19-12 overall, 12-6 Colonial Athletic Association (T-3rd)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)	G	MIN	PTS	REB	AST
1	Erik Etherly	F	6-7	184	Fr.	Alexandria, Va. (Annandale)	11	3.6	0.9	0.7	0.0
2	Chris Alvarez	F	6-8	225	Sr.	Miami, Fla. (Dayton)	28	18.6	2.6	3.3	1.0
3	Chaiison Allen	G	6-4	190	So.	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Oakland)	31	34.5	9.9	5.1	3.1
11	Vinny Lima	F	6-10	225	So.	Sao Vicente, Cape Verde (Jose Augusto Pinto)	28	8.8	1.9	1.4	0.3
15	Brian McDonald	G	6-2	181	Jr.	Southbury, Conn. (Pomperaug)	11	1.5	0.0	0.1	0.1
20	Matt Smith	G/F	6-6	200	Sr.	Littleton, Mass. (Northfield Mt. Hermon)	29	12.2	3.0	0.7	0.3
23	Matt Janning	G/F	6-4	195	Jr.	Watertown, Minn. (Watertown-Mayer)	31	35.9	14.3	4.7	2.6
24	Eugene Spates	F	6-8	220	Sr.	Dallas, Texas (Collin County CC)	31	23.5	7.9	3.2	1.0
25	Baptiste Bataille	G	5-10	182	Jr.	Ferin, France (Community Christian)	31	14.8	3.6	1.0	1.5
31	Allen Aragbaye	G	6-4	177	So.	Moreno Valley, Calif. (Worcester Academy)	16	4.7	2.4	0.7	0.1
32	Manny Adako	F	6-8	235	Jr.	Decatur, Ga. (Winchendon)	30	26.9	11.3	4.2	0.6
33	Ben Felix	C	6-11	240	R Fr.	Mill Bay, British Columbia (Berkshire School)	11	2.1	0.1	0.3	0.0
54	Nkem Ojougboh	C	6-9	222	Jr.	Scottsdale, Ariz. (UT-San Antonio)	31	26.6	7.2	4.5	1.0

HEAD COACH - Bill Coen (third season), 46-48 (.489) at Northeastern

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH - Tom Murphy

ASSISTANT COACHES - Jim McCarthy, John Rhodes

ABOUT NORTHEASTERN - The Huskies were the first CAA team in six years to win at Old Dominion and VCU in the same season. Under third-year Head Coach Bill Coen, the Huskies saw a four-win improvement and matched their all-time high in CAA victories. Northeastern had five players honored at the CAA Awards, led by junior Matt Janning who was named to the All-CAA first team and CAA All-Academic second team. The Huskies started off hot in conference play this season winning nine of their first ten games.

HOW THEY GOT HERE - Northeastern went on the road and knocked off Wyoming, 64-62. Four players scored in double figures for Northeastern, led by Matt Janning's 20 points and 16 points from Chaiison Allen.

UTEP MINERS

20-12 overall, 10-6 Conference USA (5th)

NO	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)	G	MIN	PTS	REB	AST
1	Arnett Moultrie	F	6-11	225	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn. (Raleigh Egypt)	32	25.6	8.1	8.0	0.7
2	Jason Jones	F/G	6-6	200	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn. (Ridgeway)	31	12.7	3.0	1.7	0.7
3	Randy Culpepper	G	6-0	165	So.	Memphis, Tenn. (Sheffield)	32	29.6	17.3	2.8	1.8
5	Julyan Stone	G	6-6	195	So.	Goleta, Calif. (Dos Pueblos Senior)	32	33.4	7.3	4.2	0.4
11	Blaise Ffrench	G	6-1	185	Fr.	New York, N.Y. (Holy Cross)	25	4.8	0.3	0.2	0.4
12	Stefon Jackson	G	6-5	185	Sr.	Philadelphia, Pa. (Lutheran Christian Acad.)	32	36.2	24.3	5.3	2.1
13	Wayne Portalatin	C	6-10	240	So.	Allentown, Pa. (The Patterson School)	29	9.0	0.8	1.8	0.2
20	Isaac Gordon	G	6-5	210	So.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Mercer)	16	3.8	1.0	0.5	0.3
21	Chano Rashiduddin	F	6-8	260	Fr.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Genesis One Christian)	5	2.4	0.2	0.6	0.2
23	Gabriel McCulley	G/F	6-7	225	So.	Memphis, Tenn. (Craigmont)	28	15.3	4.1	2.7	0.8
31	Eric Munoz	F	6-7	200	So.	El Paso, Texas (Eastwood)	4	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
32	Claude Britten	C	6-11	270	So.	Baton Rouge, La. (Genesis One Christian)	27	11.7	4.3	2.7	0.1

HEAD COACH - Tony Barbee (third season), 53-43 (.552) at UTEP

ASSISTANT COACHES - Randall Dickey, Tony Madlock, Milt Wagner

ABOUT UTEP - The 2008-09 season marked the 20th time in school history that the Miners have registered 10 victories in league play. Under Coach Tony Barbee, UTEP has displayed steady improvement each season, posting 6-10 league mark in 2006-07, 8-8 in 2007-08 and 10-6 this year. Over the course of the season, Stefon Jackson became the all-time leading scorer in C-USA and was tabbed to the United States Basketball Writers Association All-District VII Team for the second year in a row. Freshman Arnett Moultrie was also selected to the C-USA All-Freshman Team.

HOW THEY GOT HERE - The Miners went to Nevada and pulled out a 79-77 win over the Wolfpack. Stefon Jackson led the scoring again for UTEP with 26 points. He netted the game-winner with :04 left to give the Miners the win. Randy Culpepper came off the bench to add 16 points.

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ABOUT THE CBI

The College Basketball Invitational (CBI) provides a meaningful opportunity for teams that are deserving of a postseason experience. Sixteen teams compete in this new postseason event, hosted at on-campus arenas throughout the country.

The CBI is a single-elimination tournament, up until the Championship Series, with all games played at campus sites. The Championship Series is a best of three series in which the higher seed will get the first and last (if necessary) home games.

The event features eight first-round games, four second-round (or quarterfinal) games, a semifinal round and then a Championship Series.

Bracketing is conducted geographically into four regions of the country (East, West, South, Midwest) to minimize missed class time. The goal of the brackets is to create a competitive balance within each region. The final process takes place after the NCAA Tournament field is announced.

The 16-team field consists of teams not selected for the NCAA Tournament. Teams are invited based upon performance during their conference and non-conference schedule, as well as how well the team is playing at the end of the regular season.

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2009 CBI TOURNAMENT NOTES

History Lesson – The introduction of the College Basketball Invitational marked the first time in over 30 years that there had been a third postseason tournament, other than the NCAA or the NIT. In 1974 and 1975, the Collegiate Commissioners Association Tournament was an eight-team tournament run by the NCAA, featuring teams that came in second in their conferences.

Down To The Wire – The 2008 College Basketball Invitational had the most competitive games among the three postseason tournaments...

- 7.0 – average margin of victory in CBI
- 12.7 – average margin of victory in NIT
- 14.3 – average margin of victory in NCAA

Filling It Up – A total of 87,455 fans attended games during the 2008 College Basketball Invitational, including sellout crowds of 9,014 at Bradley and 8,455 at Tulsa during the "Best of Three" Championship Series.

Conference Call – For the second straight year, the CBI will include teams from 13 different conferences. Three conferences, WAC (Nevada, Boise State), Conference USA (UTEP, Houston) and the Pac-10 Conference (Oregon State, Stanford), received multiple bids.

Welcome Back – Four teams return to play in the 2009 CBI after appearing in the inaugural event one year ago. Richmond, Nevada, UTEP and Houston appeared in last year's event, with Houston going to the tournament semifinals.

It's Been A While – Nine CBI teams in this year's field have waited at least four seasons since their last visit to the postseason. For Green Bay, the Phoenix are headed back to

postseason play for the first time since 1996. Head Coach Tod Kowalczyk led Green Bay to a 22-10 record and a second place finish in the Horizon League.

Just Win, Baby – Thirteen of the sixteen teams in the 2009 CBI field won at least 18 games this season, including six 20-win teams: Buffalo, Charleston, Green Bay, Houston, Nevada and Vermont.

Wins, Wins and More Wins – CBI Tournament teams average 19.3 wins overall and 10.1 wins in conference play.

Even More Wins – College of Charleston has the most overall victories (26) and conference wins (15) of any team in the 2009 CBI.

Sharing The Wealth – Two teams in the CBI field, Vermont (America East) and Buffalo (MAC), earned a share of the regular-season championship in their conferences.

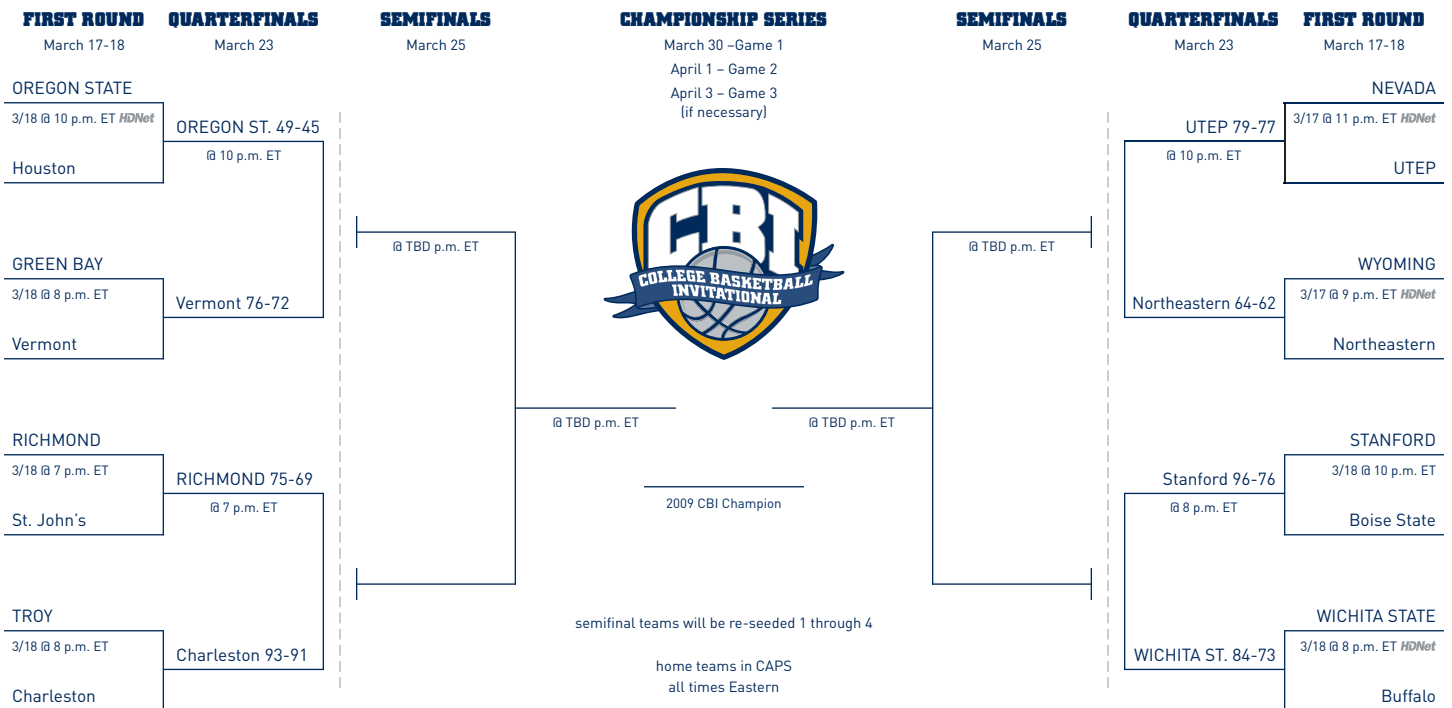
Conference Honors – The 2009 College Basketball Invitational features 26 players that received all-conference recognition, including 10 first-team selections.

More Honors – The 2009 CBI also features one conference "Player of the Year" winner. Vermont's Marqus Blakely won the honor in the America East Conference for the second year in a row. He is just the fifth player to win the award in consecutive seasons in the America East.

More Marqus – Blakely was named America East Defensive "Player of the Year" for the second year in a row, as well. He is the first player in conference history to win that award twice.

Fresh Faces – Nevada's Luke Babbitt and Wyoming's Afam Muojeke were named as their conference's "Freshman of the Year." The two could face off in the quarterfinals.

2009 CBI TOURNAMENT BRACKET



WHERE TO WATCH THE CBI

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HDNet TELEVISION SCHEDULE

(all times Eastern)

March 17
Northeastern vs. Wyoming – 9 p.m.
UTEP vs. Nevada – 11 p.m.

March 18
Buffalo vs. Wichita State – 8 p.m.
Houston vs. Oregon State – 10 p.m.

March 23
Stanford vs. Wichita State – 8 p.m.
Vermont vs. Oregon State – 10 p.m.

March 25
Semifinal – 8 p.m.
Semifinal – 10 p.m.

March 30
Championship Series, Game 1 – TBD

April 1
Championship Series, Game 2 – TBD

April 3 (if necessary)
Championship Series, Game 3 – TBD