

## POSITION OUTLOOK FOR 2012

OUT TO THE PLACE 1st Tm P10 QB Jeremiah Masoli (2147, 58%, 15-6). While Nate Costa was #1 out of the spring, I proj'd Darron Thomas (PS#22) as the starter. Thomas did win the job and even earned some mention in the Heisman race. Thomas (2881, 62%, 30-9) had a better year passing than Masoli and was the #3 rusher (486, 5.2). Costa suffered his 3rd torn ACL and true frosh Bryan Bennett (PS#28) was the bkp late but still RS. LY Thomas improved his ratio setting a school to record throwing for 2,761 (62.2%, 33-7, 206 rush) despite missing the Colo gm with a knee injury. Bennett started vs the Buffs (11-20-156-2-0) then came off the bench vs Wash St after Thomas threw 2 int's. He threw for 369 (54.3%, 6-0, 200 rush) in 8 gms. Marcus Mariota (PS#31) was the star of the spring gm incl an 82 yd td run and will resume his battle with Bennett in Aug. Adding depth is Dustin Haines (PS#334) and two true frosh. Aug. Adding depth is Dustin Hallies (F 3#354) and two five host. Thomas (13 st) surprised many by declaring early for the draft (UFA) and this unit goes from a 3rd yr to a 1st yr st'r.

BUTTITE PTES - UO always has a highly productive RB. Jonathan Stewart (PS#1) had 1,722 (6.2) in '07 and was

a #1 DC. In '08 Jeremiah Johnson led with 1,201 (7.1) while LeGarrette Blount had 1,002 (7.3) and 17 td's (2nd UO duo to each top 1,000). In '09 rFr LaMichael James was the Pac-10's #2 rusher (P10 OPOY) with 1,546 (6.7). Kenjon Barner (PS#115) moved over from DB and rushed for 366 (6.0). In '10 James was a Heisman finalist rushing for 1,731 (5.9) and breaking Stewart's '07 single season record. Barner missed a few gms but was #2 (551, 6.1). Those 2 ret'd LY and they added in true frosh De'Anthony Thomas (PS#2) to make up my #1 rated RB corps in the preseason. James set UO's single gm record with 288 vs AZ (Onterrio Smith, 257 vs WSU '01). Despite missing 2 gms, James led the nation in ypg rushing breaking his own schl rec with 1,805 (7.3) and 18 td's. In the 2 gms that James missed (Ariz St and Colo), Barner ran for 171 (5.5) and 115 (11.5). He finished #2 with 939 (6.2) and 11 td's. Thomas not only was #3 with 595 (10.8) incl a Rose Bowl record 91 yd td run, but was the leading rec with 605 (13.2) and earned P12 Co-FPOY honors. TY they lose James who left early for the NFL (#2DC SF). This still remains one of the premier RB units in collège football

:: In the street of the street ing WR's recently. LY they had to replace their top 2 rec's with the leading returnees being TE David Paulson (PS#26, 418, 17.4), along with WR's Lavasier Tuinei (396, 11.0) and Josh Huff (303, 15.9). They brought in a solid class of true frosh to add speed but Kelly opted to go with the veterans. Tuinei was the top WR with 599 (12.5) incl 158 (19.8) in the Rose Bowl while Paulson had

438 (14.1) and Huff 430 (13.9) missing two with injury. Rahsaan Vaughn (PS#20JC) only had 184 (13.1) and true frosh Colt Lyerla (PS#5) moved to TE (147, 21.0). This year UO loses Tuinei (14 st) and 2nd Tm P12 TE Paulson (13 st, #7DC PIT) but I will call 

which features the run, they've put up some incredible totals. In '09 they had to replace 4 st rs (#2 and #5 DC's) and had just 20 car sts ret (#118 FBS). The unit outperformed my expectations with 232 ypg rush (5.5, 13 sk). In '10 the entire 2 deep was back (85 car st) so I said they should be one of the nation's top O-lines and they set schl rec's with 286 ypg rush (5.9) while allowing just 10 sks. LY they had to replace three multi-yr st'rs (1st & 2nd Tm Pac-10) and 2 bkps. They did have 7 VHT's in the 2 deep and 3 who had 7+ sts in '10 (56 car st). The unit paved the way for 299 ypg rush, an amazing 6.7 ypc (#1 FBS) and 14 sks (3.6%). TY they lose HM P12 RG Mark Asper (14 st, 3Y st'r, #6DC BUF) and LT Darrion Weems (14 st, 2Y st'r) but have 8 of the top 10 back (65 car st). While I cannot reasonably expect much improvement over LY's numbers, this is a more exp'd unit.

moved in TE Dion Jordan. They also added VHT frosh Ricky Heimuli (PS#21). DL coach Jerry Azzinaro molded another solid unit but I was surprised that despite being more exp'd, the numbers were similar (128 ypg, 3.5, 33 sk). Giving up 254 rush yds to Auburn did not help (118, 3.3 without). LY they had to replace 3 st'rs incl a 2nd Tm P10 DE (7 sk, 9.5 tfl) and a 2nd TmP10DT (16tfl). I mentioned that despite being less exp'd and losing their top 2 DL, UO would come close to '10's numbers and they did (143 ypg rush, 3.6) with the D recording 45 sks, topping their modern day high of 39 ('08).TY they lose HM P12 DE Terrell Turner (14 st, 49 tkľ, 5.5 sk), DÉ Brandón Hanna (2 st, 33 tkl, 2 sk) but have 3 st'rs back incl 1st Tm P12 DE Dion Jordan (7.5 sk). They were able to RS PS#12JC Jared Ebert and I look for Heimuli (skipped mission LY) to finally emerge into a dominant DT. This is the Ducks' best D-line in a few years.

The Ducks had a veteran LB corps in 10 (#2, #3, #12 and #14 tkl'rs back) and only had to replace 1 st'r (#6). I said they would be one of the P10's better LB corps and the D allowed just 18.7 ppg (best s/92). LY they had to replace 2 st'rs (#1 and #3 tkl'rs). They ret'd just their #8, #10 and #13 tkl'rs and were clearly less exp'd. The Ducks slipped to allowing 24.6 ppg. Boseko Lokombo (PS#39) was the most athletic of the LB's but surprisingly did not start. Michael Clay (PS#52) was tied for the P12 lead in tkls when he missed 3 gms (ini). This is a more exp'd and talented group than LY despite losing 1st Tm P12 SLB Josh Kaddu (14 st, #6 tkl'r, 6.5 sk, 3 tfl, #5DC MIA) and Dewitt Stuckey (13 st, #3 tkl'r, 3 sk, 1 int). Four of the top 6 are back and while I like all 3 proj st'rs, they have 3 VHT bkps who could win jobs.

The Ducks had 4 straight Top 15 finishes in my PDR from 2004-'07. It was surprising that in '08 with 3 ret sts, they dropped to #47. In '09 they had an injury plagued group but still rose to #25. In '10 they had to replace 2 DB's (comb 10 sts, #2 and #4DC's!) but did return 4 w/10+ sts. CB Cliff Harris (PS#19) earned 1st Tm P10 while leading the nation in pd (23). The Ducks rose to #6 (54%, 15-21). LY they had to replace 1´ st'r and 4 bkps (comb 73 tkl), then Harris only played in 6 (susp) so they basically had 2.5 st'rs back. After 5 gms the Ducks had just 3 int's but actually finished with 17 (#2 P12). The Ducks slipped a little to #00 /50 000 000 000 000 12). The Ducks slipped a little to #20 (59.2%, 25-17). TY they lose 1st Tm P12 ROV Eddie Pleasant (13 st, 61 tkl, 3 int, 8 pbu), CB Anthony Gildon (8 st, 24 tkl, 1 int, 4 pbu) and Harris (9 tkl). Once again they return 2.5 st'rs including 2x 1st Tm P12 FS John Boyett (PS#39) and this unit looks just as strong

 $\mathbf{SPECIAL}$ but brought back their excellent ST coor Tom Osborne. In his previous 6 yrs here ('95-'00), they finished #30, #22, #4, #15, #13 and #47 in my ST rankings. In his first 4 yrs back ('07-'10) the Ducks finished #32, #27, #21 and #3. Cliff Harris was my 1st Tm AA PR in '10 with 546 (18.8) and 4 td's while Josh Huff avg 24.7 on KR. K's Rob Beard and Eric Solis comb to hit 13-17 FG. LY the unit ret'd intact but Harris was susp (9 PR, 7.6) with LaMichael James taking over (10.7 and 1 td). KR De'Anthony Thomas had 2 td's and was #10 in the FBS (27.3). Surprisingly, soph Alejandro Maldonado (PS#32) hit 7-12 FG's (L40) while Beard only hit 2-2 FG (banged up). Jackson Rice led the team to a 37.9 net in '10 and was a Ray Guy finalist (41.4 net #1 FBS) in '11. TY they only lose James and with Osborne still the ST coach, they should match LY's #7 ranking

FOR THE MIKE Bellotti ('95-'08) had the most wins (116-55) of any Pac-10 HC when he stepped aside prior to the spg in '09. HC Chip Kelly was the OC here in '07-'08 and was at New Hamp prior ('99-'06). Kelly has led UO to their most successful 3 yr run in schl hist (34-6) and to 3 straight conf titles (first ever). He was AP COY in '10, has a 26-2 conf record and has appeared in the Nat'l Champ gm and 2 Rose Bowls. OC Mark Helfrich (4th yr) was previously the OC/QB cch at Colo ('06-'08). DC Nick Aliotti (14th yr) was the architect of the "Gang Green" D that st'd the UO revival and ret'd to the schl in '99 after being the DC at UCLA in '98.

ANSO ON ROSTLER WR Ben Butterfield 6'0" 193 Jr

ter 5'7" 165 rFr WR Chad Delaney 6'0" 181 Jr on 5'11" 210 So DL Nick Morrison 6'4" 258 Jr

LB Carlyle Garrick 6'2" 221 rFr LB Grant Thompson 5'11" 220 So LB Mike Garrity 6'1" 222 So

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In '04 UO had a streak of 10 straight winning yrs snapped (5-6) In '05 they were my #4 Most Improved team and almost made it to a BCS bowl at 10-2 (#12). In '07 UO was one of my Surprise Teams (non-Top 10 with chance at title) and they were headed for the BCS Title game but lost QB Dennis Dixon to injury when ranked #2 and lost their final 3 reg season gms to finish 9-4. In '08 they finished #10 and in '09 #11. In '10 eight of my 9 sets of power ratings called them the best team in the P10. They also benefitted from the numerous sanctions placed on USC The Ducks avg'd 47.0 ppg and 531 ypg while holding opp's to just 18.7 ppg. UO had just one close game, a 15-13 escape at Cal and played in the BCS Title game. They were AP #1 for the first time in school history for 7 wks (6 gms) but lost to Aub by 3. UO benefitted from +13 in TO's and had just 6 sts lost to injury all year. In '10 they used a 25 man rotation on the D so with less depth they were only expected to use 18 LY. While I picked the Ducks to win the inaugural Pac-12 Title, I did not place them in the Nat'l Title game. They entered the ssn AP #3 (highest ever) but in front of basically an LSU home crowd in Cowboys Stadium, they lost the opener 40-27 (335-273 vd edge). The Ducks would bounce back and win by 49, 49, 25. 28, 14 and 43 pts. In that span they did trail Cal 15-14 at half but still won big. They beat WSU by 15 and UW by 17 setting up their big showdown at Stanford where they upset #3 SU, 53-30. USC then came in #18 and the #4 Ducks were thinking National Title. USC led 38-14 late 3Q but UO missed a late FĞ giving the Trojans the win in Autzen, 38-35. The Ducks blew out rival Oregon St (led 42-7 4Q) then in the P12 Title game were huge fav's but only won by 18. In the Rose Bowl they got past #9 Wisc 45-38 with a 621-508 yd edge for their first Rose Bowl win s/1917 and finished #4.TY they have just 11 ret sts with both RB James and QB Thomas opting to leave early for the NFL They must face USC on the road and were +9 in TO's and had an off ypp of 11.3. Despite those factors, the Ducks have their best defense in years and even with the loss of their QB and top RB, could be just as explosive. They will be 8-0 on Nov 3rd for their showdown with the Trojans and that game will determine if they are a legitimate Nat'l Title contender.

JERSEY # IN GREEN

DEFENSE

## JERSEY # In Green OFFENSE

### 2012 PRUJECTED STA

6-3 199 PS#28. 1 st, 8 gm, 369 (54%, 6-0) LY. 8 Marcus Mariota (6'4" 196 rFr) DE 9 Arik Armstead Fr. QB 2 Bryan Bennett So. PS#31. Jake Rodrigues is **PS#15**. IFS. **14** Dustin Haines (6'3" 208 Jr). 1 att 2Y. Jeff Lockie (6'2" 175 Fr) PS#70. RB 24 KENJON BARNER SR. 5-11 195 PS#115.3st, 917 (6.0) '09-'10.5st, 939 (6.2), 184 (10.8) rec LY. 6 De'Anthony Thomas (5'9" 173 So) PS#2. 6 st, 595 (10.8!), 605 rec (13.2), 36 KR (27.3) LY. Ayele Forde (5'7" 177 So) 5 gm, 176 (4.9) rF WR 12 Devon Blackmon rFr. 6-1 194 PS#7, 88 Tacoi Sumler (5'9" 173 rFr) PS#30, 81 Justin Hoffman (6'1" 206 Sr ply'd 17 gm first 2Y then 6 st, RS '08, MSN '09-'10. 8 gm, 133 (13.3) before inj LY. **90** Will Murphy (6'2" 186 Sr) 59 (11.8) 2Y. WR 1 JOSH HUFF JR. 5-11 200 PS#116. 10 st, 12 gm, 430 (13.9) LY. 16 Daryle Hawkins (6'4" 198 Jr). 1 st, 16 gm, 128 (14.2) 2Y. 7 Keanon Lowe (5'9" 179 So) PS#26. 8 gm ST LY. Dwayne Stanford PS#25. 91 Dane Ebanez (5'9" 178 Jr). WR 10 Rahsaan Vaughn Sr. 6-2 193 PS#20JC. 4.37 spd. 4 st, 14 gm, 184 (13.1) LY. 23 BJ Kelley (6'2" 179 rFr) PS#178. 19 Eric Dungy (6'1" 183 So) 5 gm, 34 (17.0) LY. 92 Miles Johnson (6'1" 176 rFr). Dallen Voeller (6'3" 217 So). TE 15 Colt Lyerla So. 6-5 238 PS#5. 12 gm, 147 (21.0) true. 82 Christian French (6'5" 231 rFr) PS#6 Evan Baylis (6'5" 225 Fr) PS#6. IFS. Brian Teague (6'3" 267 Jr) 10 gm L2Y. Pharaoh Brown (6'6" 220 Fr) PS#11. C 55 HRONISS GRASU SO. 6-3 284 PS#109.14 st, 2ndTm Fr AA LY.78 Karrington Armstrong (6'3" 286 Jr) 9 gm bko C L2Y.68 Jamal Prater (6'4" 278 rFr) PS#134. LS Drew Howell (6'2" 218 Jr). Jeff Palmer (5'10" 187 Sr). 6-5 296 **PS#26JC**. RS'10.12 gm bkp LY.395 lb bench. OT/DE spg. **54** Haman RG 60 Ryan Clanton Sr. Stevens (6'3" 305 So) PS#53. MSN '09-'10. 8 gm bkp OL LY. 57 Trevor Fox (6'5" 280 Jr) PS#151. 4 gm bkp LY. LG 77 CARSON YORK SR. 6-5 284 PS#34. 13 st OG, 3rd Tm Fr AA rFr. 10 st OG, 12 gm, 1st Tm P10 '10. 14 s LG LY. OFS. **63** Mana Greig (5'11" 297 Jr) PS#294. 14 gm L2Y as bkp. **72** Andre Yruretagoyena (6'5" 264 rFr) **PS#14. RT 61 NICK CODY SR.**6-5 309 PS#86DL. 1 st, 10 gm rFr. 9 gm bkp '10. 13 st, 14 gm LY. **71** Everett bkp L2Y. 58 James Euscher (67" 295 fFr) PS#192. 52 Matt Pierson (6'6" 270 fFr) 6-6 279 PS#76. 12 gm bkp OG/OT true. Kyle Long (6'7" 308 Jr) PS#12JC. Benyard (6'7" 319 Jr) PS#62 RT 75 Jake Fisher So. rFr) PS#43 69 Brandon Thomas (6'4" 269 So) PS#898 RS '10 DNP IY 64 Tyler Johnstone (6'6" 271 93 ROB BEARD SR. 6-0 218 PS#74. 10-13 FG, L/42, 63-64 PAT, 95 KO, 11 TB '10. 2-2 FG, L/30,

6-8 297 PS#7. IFS. 91 Tony Washington (6'3" 252 So) PS#131. 10 gm, 18 tkl, 1 sk LY 57 Ryan McCandless (6'2" 213 rFr) Walked-on LY 98 David Kafovalu (6'3" 250 rFr) Axel McQuaw (6'6" 275 Jr) 6-4 321 **PS#21**. 12 gm, 9 tkl, 1 tfl true. 14 gm, 22 tkl, 1 tfl LY. **92 Wade Keliikipi** DT 90 RIĆKY HEIMULI JR 18 tkl rFr. 11 st, 14 gm, 25 tkl, 1.5 sk LY. 95 Koa Ka'ai (6'4" 249 rFr) PS#178. (6'3" 300 Jr) PS#199. 1 st, 13 gr DT 66 TAYLOR HART JR. 6-6 289 PS#75. 14 st, 44 tkl, 2.5 sk, 1 qbh, HM P12 LY. 65 Isaac Remington (6'6" 286 4 ffl LY. Stetzon Bair (6'9' 265 Jr) **PS#57JC. 60** Ryan Hagen (6'3' 292 Jr) 4 gm, 31 kl, 2 sk LY. 6-7 241 PS#51WR.6 gm ST, 2 tkl rFr.TE to DE.1 st, 13 gm, 33 tkl, 5.5 tfl '10.12 st, Sr) PS#63.IC 3 st 14 am 31 tkl DE 96 DION JORDAN SR. 14 gm, 42 tkl, 7.5 sk, 5.5 tfl, 1st Tm 2 LY. 97 Jared Ebert (6'5" 267 Jr) PS#12JC. 99 Sam Kamp (6'4" 236 rFr) PS#117. WLB 46 MICHAEL CLAY SR 5-11 219 **PS#52**. 13 gm, 32 tkl, 2 tfl true. 13 gm, 42 tkl '10. 10 st, 11 gm, 102 tkl, 3 sk, 5.5 tfl, 2 int LY. **22** Derrick Malone (6'2" 208 So) PS#68. 14 gm, 15 tkl LY. **34** Rahim Cassell (6'0" 215 fFr) PS#61. **MLB 47 Kiko Alonso Sr.** 6-4 246 PS#102. DNP 10 (susp). 5 st, 12 gm, 46 tkl, 2.5 sk, 3.5 tfl, 2 int LY. 35 Anthony Wallace (6'0" 231 So) PS#15. 6 gm, 8 tkl true. 48 Rodney Hardrick (6'1" 237 So) PS#60. Isaac Ava (5'10" 243 So). SLB 25 Boseko Lokombo Jr. 6-3 225 PS#39. 14 gm, 33 tkl, 2 sk, 5 pd, 1 qbh, 3 td's LY. 33 Tyson Coleman (6'1" 217 rFr) PS#28. 43 Keloni Kamalani (5"11" 208 Jr) 14 gm, 22 iki, 1 tfl LY. 53 Jennings Stewart (6"3" 225 Sr) 10 gm, 6 tkl 3Y. CB 27 TERRANCE MITCHELL SO. 6-0 185 PS#108. 12 st, 45 tkl, 12 pd LY. 33.5" VJ. 3 Dior Mathis (5"9" 177 So) PS#19. On UO track tm, P12 60m finals. 10.13 100. 5 gm, 7 tkl LY. 32 JR Maffie (5'11" 193 Jr) 1 gm 2Y. CB 14 Ifo Ekpre-Olomu So. 5-10 190 PS#21.2 st, 14 gm, 34 tkl, 8 pbu LY as true. 2 Troy Hill (5'11" 167 So) 6 st, 14 gm, 43 tkl, 6 pbu, 1 int LY. Eric Amoako (5'11" 195 Fr) PS#98. 30 Bronson Yim (5'10" 181 rFr). Walk-on. 5-10 185 PS#80.13 gm, 19 tkl, 1 int rFr.2 st, 14 gm, 55 tkl, 5 pbu LY. 12 Brian Jackson ROV **31 Avery Patterson Jr.** (5'10" 202 Jr) 12 gm, 16 tkl, 2 pd 12 gm, 27 tkl LY. 5 Isaac Dixon (5'11" 196 rFr). Reggie Daniels (6'1" 185 Fr) PS#33. FS 20 JOHN BOYETT SR. 5-10 202 PS#39. 10 st, 90 tkl, 1st Tm Fr AA rFr. 12 st, 78 tkl, 14 pd, 2nd Tm P10 '10. 13 st, 108 tkl, 7 pd, 1st Tm P12 LY. 4 rick Dargan (5'11" 208 So) PS#111. 15 tkl LY. 17 James Scales (5'10" 184 So) 6 tkl LY. K 93 ROB BEARD SR. 6-0 218 PS#74. 10-13 FG, L/42, 63-64 PAT, 95 KO, 11 TB '10. 2-2 FG, L/30, P 49 JACKSON RICE SR. 6-3 223 PS#9. 101 punt, L/60, 41 In20 2Y.48 punt (45.9), L/61, net 41.4, 2nd 3-3 PAT, 55 KO, 8 gm LY. 41 Alejandro Maldonado (5'10" 190 Jr) PS#32. 7-12 FG L/40, 77-78 PAT, 56 KO, 13 gm LY. 1 Tm P12 LY. Dylan Ausherman (6'3" 180 Jr). 48 Eric Solis (5'10" 182 So). Anthony Piganelli (6'4" 198 So) walk-on.

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