

FCS/Div IAA Football Championship - Semifinals

<u>POWER PLAYS PROJECTION</u>	Yards Rush	Yards Pass	Points	TO's	Spec Tms
Appalachian St	191	230	30	3	—
Montana (#1)	144	260	35	3	—

App St 35 Montana 34 - These teams have met just once, in the '00 semifinals, when UM won 19-16 at home. ASU's reward for beating #4 seed and reigning Champ UR is a 2250+ mile trip to Montana. ASU had a 444-347 yd edge but trailed 24-14 in the 4Q. ASU scored 2 unanswered TD's for a 28-24 lead and forced a UR P, but ASU's PR had the ball literally taken out of his hands and ret'd for a TD with 3:26 left to put UR back into the lead 31-28. Then Sr QB Edwards did what he has done for 4 yrs, drive 70 yds for the GW TD with :10 left. UM, after an amazing 1st rd win over S Dakota St in which they came bk from 27 pts down w/41 unanswered had an easy 51-0 win over SFA. They had 22-12 FD and 474-280 yd edges but the main reason for the blowout was a 10-1 TO edge incl one as SFA's WR fmbld at the UM2 when he was about to score. UM is trying to make their 2nd str champ gm and 7th overall. ASU trying make their 4th overall, all in the L/5Y. ASU's win at UR was their 1st road playoff win S/'00 but UM has won 16 str at home. However, their last loss here was in the '07 playoffs to Wofford. Look for Edwards to pull it out one more time.

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William & Mary	76	225	15	2	—
Villanova (#2)	179	125	18	1	—

W&M 21 Villanova 20 - W&M leads the series 14-12-1 but has lost the L/5 incl a 28-17 loss TY despite 27-15 FD and 472-283 yd edges (1 TD in 5 RZ trip). W&M is trying to become the 3rd str tm that finished #3 in the CAA South to make the champ gm. If they do it will be because of a def that has all'd just 3 pts in their 2 playoff gms. W&M gave HC Laycock his 200th win in its 1st playoff road win ever, handing #3 seed SIU their only FCS loss TY. W&M was outgained 102-2 in the 1Q and trailed 3-0 but scored 24 unanswered and ended with 22-11 FD & 373-187 yd edges. They held SIU's RB Karim, who came in avg 139 ypg rush to just 27 yds. VU repaid New Hamp for an earlier loss TY with a 46-7 win in the snow. They got a FR TD on NH's 1st play from scrim and never looked back as they had a 387-84 yd edge incl 343-(-66) rush edge. They say D wins championships and we will call for W&M to be the 2nd CAA tm to repay an earlier loss.