

Drew Cook claims victory in Bassmaster Elite on Santee Cooper Lakes

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about the tree itself. There was no real pattern there, just where they were situated (in relation) to deep water."

Brandon Palaniuk of Rathdrum, Idaho, finished third with a four-day total of 98-0, falling just shy of the century mark. The 2020 Santee Cooper Lakes Elite Series champion mixed things up in the Potato Creek region, fishing off-shore bass with a Rapala OG Slim crankbait, jerkbaits, jigs and an X Zone Lures Blitz Worm before searching for big bedding bass with an X Zone Lures Adrenaline Craw.

"I knew I was going to need four or five big ones if I wanted to make a run at this thing," Palaniuk said. "I caught a 6 3/4- and a 4-pounder (on my starting spot) and then it died off quickly and I couldn't get any more big bites there. I felt like I was making good adjustments. I just couldn't catch enough."

Pat Schlapper of Wisconsin earned the Phoenix Boats Big Bass of the Tournament award with the 9-10 largemouth he caught on Day 2, winning \$2,000.

Oklahoma pro Luke Palmer, who finished fourth with 95-7, earned the \$2,000 VMC Monster Bag Award with his Day 3 catch of 33-5.

South Carolina's Brandon Cobb took home an additional \$3,000 for being the highest-placing entrant in the Toyota Bonus Bucks program, while John Cox of Florida earned \$2,000 for being the second-highest placing entrant.

As part of the Yamaha Power Pay program, Cook claimed an additional \$4,000 and Palaniuk earned an additional \$1,500 for being the second-highest placing entrant.

Ed Loughran III won the \$1,000 BassTrakk Contingency award for the most accurate weight reporting.

Heading into the fourth stop of the season, the Guaranteed Rate Bassmaster Elite Series at Chickamauga Lake, Cox leads the Progressive Insurance Bassmaster Angler of the Year standings with 285 points. Tennessee pro David Mullins is second with 265, and Arkansas Stetson Blaylock is third with 257.

Wisconsin pro Jay Przekurat leads the Falcon Rods Bassmaster Rookie of the Year standings with 232 points. Alabamian Joseph Webster is second with 183 points and Pennsylvania pro Jonathan Kelley is third with 167.

Baseman Kendall Lee named to AA Conference Honor Roll



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also drove in eight runs and totaled three extra-base hits to help lead her team to three wins.

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For complete information on Memphis Tiger Softball, visit www.GoTigersGo.com and follow the team's social media channels on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.

Jacob Compton named to AAC Weekly Honor Roll

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 21, 2022- For his performance in Memphis' four games last week, DH Jacob Compton was named to the American Athletic Conference Weekly Honor Roll. It marks the fifth consecutive week that a Memphis player has earned Honor Roll recognition and the fifth different Tigers player to earn the honor.

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Compton joins 3B Logan Kohler, 2B Austin Baskin, RHP Connor Shamblin (twice) and LF Ian Bibiloni who all earned Honor Roll recognition earlier this season.

Memphis heads for a road series at Indiana State this weekend.

Season tickets and single game tickets are available for purchase at www.gotigersgo.com/tigers-baseballtickets.

For the most up-to-date schedule, visit www.GoTigersGo.com.

Fisk team wins at HBCU Battle of Brains at SXSW presented by NFL ... from sports page 4

a live audience. The competition concluded with students being evaluated on analysis, a business and technology solution, and a final presentation/Q&A. This year's NFL Business Case was to design and implement a HBCU STUDENT & ALUMNI PORTAL. The teams were tasked with launching a website or mobile app by researching and finding solutions to the specific focus areas to create an original platform, develop a website or mobile app concept, assign task managers, source content, and organize the website or app launch event to showcase their HBCU Student & Alumni Portal.

The team from Fisk University was awarded the Grand Prize of \$50,000. Huston-Tillotson University team came in 2nd Place winning \$20,000 and Morehouse College who finished in 3rd Place won \$10,000. In a surprise moment, NFL Legend, and business mogul Marshawn "Beastmode" Lynch announced he and current NFL Players Josh Johnson and Marcus Peters, would donate \$10,000 from their foundation towards the scholarships.

Various NFL executives and staff across the league and media offices served as featured speakers, team mentors and competition judges during the four-day event. Gregory Gibson Jr. the Founder & Executive Director of HBCU Battle of the Brains created the competition to support the mission of HBCUs while giving exceptional business and STEM students within the African American community and technology industries a platform to shine. The HBCU Battle of the Brains also demonstrates the NFL's commitment toward innovation to help advance the sport.

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"The opportunity to serve as a competition judge at the HBCU Battle of the Brains was truly an honor," said David Jurenka, SVP and General Manager of NFL Media. "It was a difficult decision to choose between so many exceptionally talented teams whose projects were not just thoughtfully constructed, but were also presented in such a dynamic manner that challenged us during deliberations. I look forward to following their journeys in the near future."

LaMar Campbell, NFL Legend and current Vice President of Player Engagement with the Chicago Bears, witnessed first-hand the brilliance demonstrated by the HBCU students. "The excellence of the men and women that I experienced at the HBCU Battle of the Brains stands as a pinnacle experience in my NFL career", said Campbell. "The ability to spend time with the amazing students in Austin and learn about the rich history and culture they have built at this event inspires me in a special way that contrib-

utes to my day-to-day work with the Chicago Bears. I see myself in them and in turn it contributes to the future and opportunities that I can assist them in achieving because if you want to look towards the future you have to impact the present."

A featured NFL Panel, The Come Up: Transition from the Field to the Boardroom, included Moderator Steve Wyche, NFL Network Reporter/Host, Devale Ellis, NFL Legend and Actor, Author & Co-host of Dead Ass with Khadeen & Devale, Marcus Allen, NFL Player, Pittsburgh Steelers, Owner of Vibes Universal Apparel, Marcus Peters, NFL Player, Baltimore Ravens, Fam 1st Family Foundation Co-Founder & Owner of Juiceman Apparel, and Kelvin Beachum, NFL Player, Arizona Cardinals and Investor, who shared how they are able to navigate their success on the field as they excel in their business ventures away from the gridiron. The week also included informational meetings with Administrators, HBCU Presidents and top NFL Executives.

A special fireside chat with trailblazing African American women from football and business was moderated by Nataria Holloway, NFL Vice President, Business Operations & Strategy with Dr. Valerie Daniels-Carter, one of the most preeminent business owners in the U.S. who is President and CEO of V&J Foods, Holding Companies, Inc., and Board of Directors for the Green Bay Packers and minority owner with the NBA Champion Milwaukee Bucks; and Adrian Bracy, Author, and Motivational Speaker whose earlier career included serving 18 years within the NFL as an Executive with the Miami Dolphins, Arizona Cardinals and the St. Louis Rams (now Los Angeles Rams) during their

first Super Bowl win.

For more information, visit the HBCU Battle of the Brains and follow on Twitter (@hbcubotbrains) and Instagram (@hbcubotbrains).

About HBCU Battle of the Brains
HBCU Battle of the Brains, LLC's mission is to address inequities in industries in which Black and Brown representation is severely lacking. This is accomplished by creating and delivering compelling programming that not only brings top students and industry leaders together but allows each entity to showcase its best self through industry-specific skills challenges (HBCU Battle of the Brains Competition, hybrid-hackathon, business cases, etc.), mentoring (HBCU Office Hours), and professional development (#ReadyToWork, etc.). We excel at showcasing the top business and STEM students that our nation's HBCUs have to offer while introducing this highly regarded talent to amazing companies and career paths.

About NFL HBCU Initiative
In May 2016, the NFL launched Strength of HBCUs, Impacting Pro Football Since 1948 in partnership with two prominent HBCU athletic conferences — the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) and Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC). The initiative has since expanded to also include other conferences and schools to recognize and strengthen its relationships with HBCUs across the country. Through these relationships, the NFL has developed several HBCU-focused programs to educate and connect students to careers in football administration and the sports industry at large.

NFL Network's 'Path to the Draft' and 'NFL Mock Draft Live' return leading up to 2022 NFL Draft; 'Mock' premieres April 4-May 6

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NFL Network's journey to the 2022 NFL Draft continues with the return of shows Path to the Draft and NFL Mock Draft Live.

Starting Monday, April 4 at 6:00 PM ET on NFL Network, Path to the Draft provides in-depth analysis of all the top prospects, the latest news reports and more. Led by NFL Network analysts Daniel Jeremiah (@MoveTheSticks), Bucky Brooks (@BuckyBrooks) and Charles Davis, and hosts Rhett Lewis (@RhettNFL) and Patrick Claybon (@PatrickClaybon), Path to the Draft also delves into all 32 NFL teams' needs, breaks down which players can help each team, and discusses where in the draft teams can select the players to help them next season. Also featured throughout Path to the Draft are analysts Brian Baldinger (@BaldyNFL) and Scott Pioli (@ScottPioli51), and NFL Network analytics expert Cynthia Frelund (@cfrelund).

Path to the Draft airs Monday-Friday at 6:00 PM ET on NFL Network leading up to the 2022 NFL Draft on April 28-30 and concludes with a full week of post-draft recap shows through Friday, May 6.

Additionally, NFL Mock Draft Live airs on Tuesdays at 8:00 PM ET on NFL Network, with host Colleen Wolfe (@ColleenWolfe) and analysts Jeremiah and Brooks. Each edition of NFL Mock Draft Live releases and debates a new Mock Draft from NFL Network's team of analysts and experts, as well as unveils draft sleepers, offers NFL player comparisons and provides the best Fantasy Football team fits. NFL Mock Draft Live airs Tuesday at 8:00 PM ET on NFL Network, and streams live Tuesday at 5:00 PM ET on NFL.com, the NFL app and YouTube leading up to the 2022 NFL Draft.

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