

Five days until tournament field is set

The NCAA Tournament field of 64 teams will be announced on Sunday at 3:30 p.m. Here is a look at how we think the field might turn out.

WEST	EAST
1 UNLV 16 Fordham/ St. Francis (Pa.)	1 Indiana 16 Towson St.
8 Connecticut 9 USC	8 N.C. State 9 Vanderbilt
4 S. Mississippi 13 New Orleans	4 St. John's 13 Richmond
5 Georgia Tech 12 Rutgers	5 New Mexico St. 12 South Carolina
2 Arizona 15 Montana	2 Syracuse 15 Furman
7 Michigan St. 10 Cincinnati	7 Mississippi St. 10 Washington St.
3 Utah 14 Pepperdine	3 Oklahoma St. 14 LaSalle
6 Pittsburgh 11 Colorado	6 Virginia 11 BYU
SOUTHEAST	MIDWEST
1 Arkansas 16 Coast. Caro./ NE La.	1 Ohio State 16 Florida A&M/ Jackson State
8 DePaul 9 Temple	8 Arizona State 9 Cincinnati
4 UCLA 13 Xavier	4 LSU 13 Creighton
5 E. Tennessee St. 12 Louisiana Tech	5 Seton Hall 12 E. Michigan
2 North Carolina 15 Northeastern	2 Duke 15 UTSA
7 Iowa 10 New Mexico	7 Texas 10 Georgetown
3 Nebraska 14 S. Alabama	3 Kansas 14 Murray State
6 Princeton 11 Houston	6 Alabama 11 N. Illinois

Hustlin' Rebels struggle in weekend tournament

Thursday
Oklahoma St. 16, UNLV 10
The Rebels opened their play in the twelfth-annual Coors Desert Classic by hosting the Oklahoma State Cowboys. As gracious hosts the Rebels took the loss, 16-10.

The Rebels fell behind early but came back to take a 3-1 lead by the end of the third. Bobby Dillon had a two-run home run in the first for the Rebels. But the Rebels' lead was short-lived. The Cowboys scored 12 runs in innings three through seven to take a commanding lead. UNLV answered with six runs in the sixth after a Tory Miran solo home run, to narrow the lead to 13-10. The Cowboys added three insurance runs in the top of the ninth to secure the win.

UNLV's Brian Boehringer

got the loss (2-1), while OSU's Dennis Burbank (2-1) got the win.

SW Louisiana 20, UNLV 8
The Rebels would rather have faced the Cowboys again, than face the Ragin' Cajuns, from Southwestern Louisiana. The Cajuns pummeled the Rebels 20-8 in a game where the only question was, "Will the game finish on Thursday or Friday?"

The Cajuns played their first game of the tournament and played nearly perfect baseball. They jumped out to a 2-0 lead after a two run home run from Andy Fox in the bottom of the first.

The Rebels were not in the game from beginning to the end as the Cajuns scored 9 runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to increase their lead to 16-4.

Both teams added four runs in the late innings.

Tournament games scheduled for Friday were rained out.

Saturday
Clemson 14, UNLV 3

Once again, UNLV pitching was unable to get the job done as the Clemson Tigers ripped Rebel pitching and won 14-3.

The Tigers jumped out to an early 1-0 lead, but it was short-lived as the Rebels came back to take a 2-1 lead in the third.

In the sixth inning the Rebels fell apart as the Tigers scored 11 runs to take a commanding 12-2 lead. The Tigers added two runs in the top of the ninth to secure the victory.

UNLV's Doug VanderWheele got the loss and his record dropped to 2-2.

Sunday
UNLV 4, Oklahoma St. 0

Finally the Rebels came away with a victory as they defeated the Oklahoma State Cowboys 4-0, in the consolation game, behind the hot hitting of Dan Madsen. Madsen went two for three with one home run.

The Rebels scored two runs in the sixth inning and two in the eighth inning. Ricky Scruggs went 1 for 3, but scored two runs and had a double. T.J. Mathews, 2-0 pitched seven and a third innings striking out two, to get the win for the Rebels.

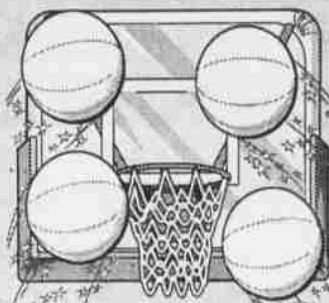
UNLV's Madsen and Mathews were named to the all-tournament team.

The Hustlin' Rebels will host Louisiana State for a three game series, Friday through Sunday at Barnson Field.

Season scoring records

Highest college basketball averages, by class of player

- 44.5 Senior: **Pete Maravich, LSU ('70)**
- 44.2 Junior: **Pete Maravich, LSU**
- 43.8 Sophomore: **Pete Maravich, LSU**
- 30.2 Freshman: **Chris Jackson, LSU ('89)**



SOURCE: National Collegiate Athletic Association

Season free throw records

Highest college basketball averages, by class of player

- 95.9 Senior: **Craig Collins, Penn State ('85)**
- 95.0 Junior: **Rod Foster, UCLA ('82)**
- 92.7 Sophomore: **Steve Kaplan, Rutgers ('70)**
- 94.6 Freshman: **Jim Barton, Dartmouth ('86)**



SOURCE: National Collegiate Athletic Association

Season field goal records

Highest college basketball averages, by class of player

- 74.6 Senior: **Steve Johnson, Oregon State ('81)**
- 71.0 Junior: **Steve Johnson, Oregon State ('80)**
- 72.2 Sophomore: **Dwayne Davis, Florida ('89)**
- 66.5 Freshman: **Sidney Moncrief, Arkansas ('76)**



SOURCE: National Collegiate Athletic Association



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BIG WEST CONFERENCE

Final men's basketball standings

	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
UNLV	18	0	1.000	27	0	1.000
New Mexico St.	15	3	.833	23	4	.852
Pacific	9	9	.500	13	14	.481
UCSB	8	10	.444	13	14	.481
Utah State	8	10	.444	11	16	.407
CS Fullerton	7	11	.389	14	13	.519
Fresno State	7	11	.389	12	15	.444
Long Beach St.	7	11	.389	11	16	.407
UC Irvine	6	12	.333	11	19	.367
San Jose State	5	13	.278	7	20	.259

Big West Conference Tournament, Long Beach, Calif.

Thursday

First Round
Pacific vs. CS Fullerton, 1 p.m.
UC Santa Barbara vs. Utah State 3:30 p.m.
New Mexico State vs. Fresno State, 6:30 p.m.
UNLV at Long Beach State, 9 p.m.

Saturday

Semifinals
New Mexico St.-Fresno St. winner vs. Pacific-CS Fullerton winner.
UNLV-Long Beach St. winner vs. UCSB-Utah St. winner.

Sunday
Championship, 12:30 p.m.

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Tournament brackets.