

2012 All-CSFL Honors Announced

The Collegiate Sprint Football League has announced its all-Conference teams for the 2012 season.

CSFL champion Army had the most players on the list of first-team performers with a total of eight. Five of the Navy first-teamers were part of an offense which led the league with an average of 500 yards per game. The three other players came from the defensive side.

Cornell had a total of five first-team selections, while Navy, Penn, and Post each had four. Princeton had three first-team selections after having just one a year ago. Two Mansfield players also made the list of first-team selections. Navy led the way on the list of second-team selections with ten, while three schools (Post, Penn, Army) had seven.

Army's Javier Sustaita captured the league MVP award. The senior quarterback from Troy, Texas, led the Black Knights to a CSFL title. Sustaita passed for 2,016 yards and 22 touchdowns while throwing only two interceptions. Sustaita added 183 yards and three touchdowns on the ground as he helped Army finish unbeaten on the season.

CSFL League MVP: Javier Sustaita, QB, Army

| | First Team | Second Team |
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| OFFENSE | | |
| QB | Brendan Miller, Cornell | Dwayne Carter, Post |
| WR | Cody Nyp, Army Whit Shaw, Penn Daniel Awwad, Post | John Herina, Army Tom Jeffers, Army Abe Mellinger, Cornell Ross Cadman, Princeton Nicolas Lulli, Princeton |
| TE | Charles Clausner, Cornell | Brendan Dale, Penn Rashaun Reid, Post |
| RB | Marquis Morris, Army Mike Beamish, Penn Sean Conrad, Princeton | Jeremy Estremera, Mansfield Alexander Horton, Navy |
| OL | Jacob Risinger, Army Peter Duff, Army Zachary Semenez, Cornell Drew Owens, Navy Chris Masayda, Post | Anthony Rivera, Army Blaine Wainwright, Mansfield Joshua Escobar, Navy Ben Foulon, Princeton Shane Curry, Penn Donnie Kneisel, Penn |
| All-Purpose | Whit Shaw, Penn | Shawn Boose, Post |

DEFENSE

DB

Jack Egan, Army
Troy Taylor, Mansfield
David Boyle, Post
Ross Cadman, Princeton

Jack Barnett, Army
Jim Barger, Cornell
Da'Shawn Serrano, Mansfield
Stephen Meidus, Navy
Alec McGlaughlin, Navy
Brendan West, Navy
Brendan McWeeney, Post
Christopher McCord, Princeton

LB

Patrick Franco, Army
Matthew Piotrowicz, Navy
Anthony DiBella, Penn
Kyle Lagasse, Post

Jake Steckler, Army
John Kelder, Cornell
Mike Monahan, Cornell
Jake Myers, Mansfield
Collin Ascherl, Navy
Will Parker, Navy
Temple Sloan, Navy
Jack Miller, Penn
Matt Pellegrino, Penn
Shaquille Williams, Post
Christopher Lopez, Post

DL

Rob Reckner, Army
Christopher Leyen, Cornell
Justin DiMatteo, Mansfield
Dylan Etzel, Navy

Noah Currie, Army
William Edmonds, Cornell
Kyle Higgins, Cornell
Christopher Mershon, Navy
Mack Pierson, Penn
Matt Santos, Post

SPECIAL TEAMS

Kicker

John Rodriguez, Cornell

Adrian Montecinos, Navy

Punter

Michael DeLong, Navy

Michael Beamish, Penn

Special Teams

John Wolfe, Princeton

KiAndre Chambers, Army
Jay'Len Mahan, Post

All-League Honorable Mentions

Army: David Brown, Kalaukoa Labonta, Conor O'Brien, Vincent Raimondi, Kevin Scruggs, Tom White

Cornell: Spenser Gruenenfelder, Joseph Martin, Derek Saddler, Riley Scott, Bennett Winters

Mansfield: Anthony Colon, Cody Croasdale, Sean Green, Casey Huff, Matt Maciejewski, Jared Shipos, David Wallace, Michael Wang

Navy: Ronald Allen, Zac Blanchard, Michael Buck, Lewis Correale, Vinnie Curley, Tracy Daniels, Corey Garcia, Jesse Holian, D.J. Hooper, Julian Jerzerick, Ryan Keyes, Daniel Meaney, Mark Reaser

Penn: Michael Bass, Keith Braccia, Nick Longtin, Sean McGreevy, Matthew Paige, Kai Peng, Danny Reyes, Nick Rush, Oakes Salancy, Hassan Siddiqui, Chris Twombly, Carl Wittig

Post: Quinton Bryant, Dylan Celone, Peader Cleary, Ja'von Ford, Vincent Fumarola, William Funk, Jashua Guadalupe, Anthony Jamele, Mundo Ramirez, Jordan Richard, Robert Williams

Princeton: Andrew Biershenk, Lawrence Diao, Bob Dougherty, Richard Hildreth, Bret Leibowitz, Zack

Sobel, John Wolfe

Week 8 in Review

Army capped off a perfect season and captured the CSFL title with a 21-18 win over Navy. The Black Knights jumped out to a 21-7 halftime lead and then held on despite being shutout in the second half. The Midshipmen had a chance to force overtime, but a 39-yard field goal attempt fell short. Navy finishes at 6-1. It was the 32nd CSFL crown captured by Army.

Cornell went over the .500 mark for the season with a 35-26 victory against Mansfield. The Mounties jumped out to a 13-0 first quarter lead before the Big Red stormed back. Spenser Gruenenfelder caught a pair of touchdown passes in the victory. The Mounties hurt themselves with 11 penalties in the game.

Penn snapped a three-game losing streak with a 36-21 victory over Princeton. The Quakers got off to a fast start by building a 26-7 halftime lead. Whit Shaw caught three touchdown passes and also had two interceptions. Penn finishes the season at 3-4, while Princeton drops to 0-7.

Post wrapped up an impressive season with a 29-21 victory over Franklin Pierce. Daniel Awwad caught two touchdown passes in the victory, while Mike Adams rushed for three touchdowns in the loss for the Ravens. Post finishes the season with five victories in a row. Franklin Pierce fell to 1-4.

Offensive Player of the Week—Jeremy Estremera, Mansfield

The sophomore wins the award for a second straight week after another impressive performance. Estremera accumulated 174 all-purpose yards in Mansfield's hard-fought loss at Cornell. Estremera rushed for 85 yards and a pair of touchdowns while also catching six passes for 64-yards, with one catch resulting in his third touchdown in the game.

Defensive Player of the Week—Rob Reckner, Army

The senior defensive end made one of the biggest plays of the game and put together a dominating performance in Army's win over Navy. Reckner recorded ten tackles, with two coming for a loss. One of the tackles for a loss came in the final minutes as Navy's Alex Horton was knocked back five yards before a potential game-tying field goal fell short.

Special Teams Player of the Week—Jay'Len Mahan, Post

The freshman made one of the biggest plays of the game in Post's victory over Franklin Pierce. Mahan took a kickoff return 85 yards for a touchdown moments after Franklin Pierce scored the first points of the game. It was the second touchdown on a kickoff return this season for Mahan.

Week 7 in Review

Post moved into third place in the CSFL with a 13-6 overtime win at Cornell. Freshman quarterback Shawn Boose scored the only touchdown of the game in the extra session as he reached the end zone on a one-yard run. Post outgained Cornell, 339-153 and held the Big Red running game to minus-five yards rushing. The victory guarantees a winning season for the Eagles.

Navy remained unbeaten with an impressive 44-10 victory at Penn. The Midshipmen racked up 419 total yards, with 318 coming on the ground. Navy was also 6-for-6 in the red zone. Navy raised it's record to 6-0 on the season. The Quakers dropped to 2-4 and lost their third consecutive game.

Mansfield won for the second time this season, beating Franklin Pierce, 32-14. The Mansfield defense made the difference in the game by picking off seven Franklin Pierce passes. Quarterback Ben Pepper threw for 267 yards and three touchdowns as the Mounties fell to 2-4 on the season.

Army and Princeton had the week off.

Offensive Player of the Week—Jeremy Estremera, Mansfield

The sophomore put together an impressive performance in Mansfield's win over Franklin Pierce. Estremera put together over 200 total yards of offense. He rushed for 113 yards and a touchdown on 36 carries. Estremera also caught ten passes for 108 yards, finishing with a combined 221 yards of offense.

Defensive Player of the Week—Brendan West, Navy

The junior defensive back helped lead the Midshipmen to a victory over Penn in Philadelphia. West recorded six tackles and also picked up an interception. The interception came late in the first half and led to a touchdown that gave Navy a 21-point halftime lead.

Special Teams Player of the Week—Peter Cleary, Post

The senior kicker played a key role in the Eagles' thrilling overtime victory at Cornell. Cleary connected on a pair of pressure-packed field goals from 26 and 29 yards out and added an extra point in overtime. Cleary also totaled 153 yards on three kickoffs.

Week 6 in Review

Post picked up an impressive 48-27 win over Penn at Franklin Field. The Quakers trailed by one early in the first half before the Eagles put the game away with 20 straight points. Both teams returned kickoffs for touchdowns within the first minute of the game. Post is now 3-2, while Penn falls to 2-3.

Army went to 6-0 on the season by rolling past Princeton, 59-0. The Black Knights dominated on both sides of the ball, racking up 457 yards while holding Princeton to minus-four yards. Army put the game away early by scoring 24 points in the first quarter. Princeton drops to 0-6 on the season.

Navy kept pace with Army by beating Mansfield, 48-7. The Navy defense held the Mounties to 39 total yards. The Navy rushing attack racked up 239 yards, and Alex Horton set a Navy single game record with five rushing touchdowns. The Midshipmen are now 5-0, while Mansfield is 1-4.

Cornell had the week off.

Offensive Players of the Week—Alex Horton, Navy

The sophomore put together a record-setting performance in Navy's win over Mansfield. Horton rushed for a program-best five touchdowns in the victory, scoring from three, two, four, twelve and fourteen yards out. Horton finished with 120 yards on 26 carries.

Defensive Player of the Week—Stephen Meidus, Navy

The senior defensive back made a major impact in Navy's win over Mansfield. Meidus had two interceptions in the victory as he helped keep Navy undefeated. He had a total of 36 yards combined on his interception returns and also had a tackle for a loss.

Special Teams Player of the Week—Jay'Len Mahan, Post

The freshman made one of the biggest plays of the game in Post's victory at Penn. After the Quakers returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown, Mahan responded by taking the ensuing kickoff 97 yards for a touchdown. Mahan also had three receptions for 71 yards on the offensive end.

Week 5 in Review

Navy remained unbeaten by pulling out a hard-fought, 11-3 win at Cornell. There were no touchdowns scored in the game as the two teams combined for four field goals and a safety. The Navy defense held Cornell to just 61 yards of offense, with only three coming from the ground. The Midshipmen are now 4-0 on the season.

Army went to 5-0 with a 35-7 win at Penn. The Black Knights led by only seven points at the half but outscored the Quakers, 21-0, over the final two quarters. Army rolled up 590 yards of offense, with 416 of its yards coming from the passing attack. Penn falls to 2-2 with the loss.

Post picked up an impressive 28-3 victory over Mansfield. The Eagles broke open a close game early by scoring the final 19 points. Mansfield was held to seven rushing yards in the game. Post goes to 2-2 overall, while Mansfield falls to 1-3.

Princeton suffered another heartbreaking loss as the Tigers fell to Franklin Pierce, 21-14. The Ravens took the lead on an interception return late in the third quarter and neither was able to put up points in the final period. It was the first win of the season for Franklin Pierce.

Offensive Player of the Week—Tom Jeffers, Army

The junior was unstoppable in Army's win over Penn. Jeffers had nine catches for 98 yards. He also caught a 27-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter. Jeffers leads the CSFL in receiving with 42 catches.

Defensive Player of the Week—Christopher Lopez, Post

The junior linebacker was a force on the field in the Eagles' victory over Mansfield. Lopez notched 8.5 tackles with eight solo stops. He forced two fumbles and had a fumble recovery while also adding a sack.

Special Teams Player of the Week—Adrian Montecinos, Navy

The junior kicker came up big in Navy's victory over Cornell. Montecinos connected on three field goals in the game, which matched a career high and tied a program record. Montecinos connected from 27, 39, and 20 yards out.

Week 4 in Review

Penn pulled out another last-minute victory by downing Mansfield, 16-13. The game was tied, 13-13, when Penn's Kai Peng kicked a 20-yard field goal with 1:02 remaining. Penn is now 2-1, and all three of the Quakers' contests have been decided in the closing minutes. Mansfield falls to 1-2 with the defeat.

Army won a battle of unbeaten by topping Cornell, 38-14. The Black Knights took control of the game early by jumping out to a 24-0 lead. Army outrushed Cornell, 178-10. Cody Nyp caught three touchdown passes in the victory.

Post pulled out a thrilling, 32-29 win over Princeton. After falling behind by 14 late in the third quarter, the Tigers rallied to force overtime. Andrew Bierschenk put the Tigers ahead with a field goal, but a five-yard touchdown run by Shawn Boose gave the Eagles the victory.

Offensive Player of the Week—Mike Beamish, Penn

The sophomore running back helped lead the Quakers to victory over Mansfield. Beamish rushed for 123 yards on 26 carries. Beamish also caught a 15-yard touchdown pass on the Quakers' opening drive. He added 24 yards on Penn's drive which resulted in the game-winning field goal.

Defensive Player of the Week—Anthony Colon, Mansfield

The freshman linebacker came up with a spirited performance in Mansfield's loss at Penn. Colon collected 13 tackles and was a dominant force on the field. Ten of Colon's tackles were solo stops. He also recorded a pair of quarterback sacks.

Special Teams Player of the Week—Kevin Scruggs, Army

The senior kicker played a key role in Army's victory over Cornell. Scruggs connected on all five of his extra points and opened the scoring with a 24-yard field goal. Scruggs also averaged nearly 61 yards on seven kickoffs.

Week 3 in Review

Cornell held off a late Princeton rally and picked up a 22-15 victory. The Big Red jumped out to a 20-0 lead, but the Tigers outscored the Big Red, 15-2, in the second half. Cornell outrushed Princeton, 200-29, in the victory. Cornell is now 3-0 on the season.

Navy rallied from an early deficit to defeat Post, 37-14. After falling behind, 7-0, the Midshipmen rallied for 31 unanswered points to put the game away early. The Navy defense held Post to 154 total yards and -18 yards rushing. The Midshipmen also recorded eight sacks.

Army dominated on both sides of the ball in a 52-6 rout of Mansfield. The Black Knights outgained the Mounties, 628-66. The Mounties scored the first points of the game on a fumble recovery before Army rattled off 52 straight points. The Black Knights are now 3-0, while Mansfield falls to 1-1.

Penn needed last-second heroics to pull out a 24-20 victory over Franklin Pierce. Trailing by three in the closing seconds, Whit Shaw caught a 73-yard touchdown pass with nine seconds remaining. The ground game also proved critical to the outcome as Penn out-rushed Franklin Pierce, 207-34.

Offensive Player of the Week—Cody Nyp, Army

The senior wide receiver put together a dominating performance in Army's win over Mansfield. Nyp caught eight passes for 156 yards in the victory. Nyp also hauled in a pair of touchdown passes from nine and 40 yards out. His last touchdown reception came late in the second quarter.

Defensive Player of the Week—Anthony DiBella, Penn

The senior defensive lineman came up big in the Quakers' win over Franklin Pierce. DiBella recorded ten tackles (five solo) in the game, and also added a pair of interceptions. His second interception came on the game's final play, which sealed the victory for Penn.

Special Teams Player of the Week—John Rodriguez, Cornell

The junior kicked two clutch field goals in the Big Red's victory over Princeton. Rodriguez opened the scoring in the first quarter by connecting from 48 yards out. Rodriguez also kicked a 25-yard field goal and went 2-for-2 on extra points.

Week 2 in Review

Army put together an impressive performance in the Allegiance Bowl as it rolled past Post, 63-28. The Black Knights led by seven at halftime, but outscored the Eagles, 42-14, in the second half. Cody Ross caught three touchdown passes in the victory for Army. Post was held to -23 yards rushing.

Navy also put together a dominating performance with a 62-13 victory at Princeton. The Midshipmen put the game away early by jumping out to a 41-6 lead at the half. The Navy defense limited the Tigers to -9 yards on the ground. The Tigers' points were Princeton's first against Navy since 2004.

Cornell pulled out its second victory of the season by defeating Franklin Pierce, 26-21. The Big Red trailed, 21-20, late in the game until Charles Clausner caught an eight-yard touchdown pass from Brendan Miller with 2:13 remaining. Franklin Pierce came up with two interceptions in the loss.

Mansfield and Penn had the week off.

Offensive Player of the Week—Javier Sustaita, Army

The senior quarterback put together a spectacular performance during Army's win at the Allegiance Bowl. Sustaita threw for 318 yards on 31-for-48 passing. He also threw four touchdown passes without an interception. Sustaita added three rushing touchdowns and 27 yards on the ground in the victory.

Defensive Player of the Week—Noah Currie, Army

The senior defensive lineman dominated the line of scrimmage in Army's victory over Post. Currie collected eight tackles and forced two fumbles. Five of Currie's tackles were solo stops. He also had stops for losses in 2.5 of his tackles and added a sack.

Special Teams Player of the Week—Brendan West, Navy

The junior helped break open Navy's game against Princeton. West returned a kickoff for an 86-yard touchdown in the opening quarter and gave the Midshipmen a 17-6 lead. West added a 36-yard return for 122 total return yards in the victory.

Week 1 in Review

Cornell pulled out a wild, 42-34 win over Penn in six overtimes. Because of a long rain delay and the six extra periods, the game took nearly five hours to play. The game was tied, 21-21, after regulation and tied, 34-34, entering the sixth overtime period. Quarterback Brendan Miller scored the game winning touchdown from one-yard out. The two teams combined for 792 yards of offense.

Mansfield pulled out a 23-16 win at Princeton. The Tigers took an early 7-3 lead, but the Mountaineers scored 20 of the next 23 points. Princeton lost despite holding Mansfield to 213 total yards. Jake Myers provided the big play of the game with an interception return for a touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Navy picked up a 38-27 non-league win over Coppin State. Running back David Williams, who led the CSFL in rushing last year, finished with 117 yards on 13 carries. The Midshipmen won despite being outgained, 459-270, but the Navy defense forced four turnovers in the victory.

Army and Post had the week off.

Offensive Player of the Week—Abe Mellinger, Cornell

The senior receiver put together a spectacular night in Cornell's six-overtime win over Penn. Mellinger pulled down eight catches for 102 yards. Two of his catches went for touchdowns. His last catch at the one-yard line set up the game winning score in the sixth overtime period.

Defensive Player of the Week—Jake Myers, Mansfield

The junior linebacker came up with the pivotal play of the game in Mansfield's victory over Princeton. Myers picked off a pass with 1:39 remaining and return the interception 67 yards for a touchdown. The touchdown proved to be the game winning score. Myers also recorded five tackles and a sack.

Special Teams Player of the Week—Michael Delong, Navy

The senior punter tilted the field in Navy's favor during it's non-league over Coppin State. Delong punted five times for 176 yards, with three of his punts landing inside the Coppin State 20-yard line. Delong also booted one punt for 45 yards.

Season Preview

The 2012 Sprint Football season is set to begin, and Navy will look to once again take home the title. The Midshipmen went unbeaten last season, but the road to the title wasn't easy. Army and Penn both put together impressive seasons and both teams are hoping to challenge Navy for this year's crown. Cornell, Post, Mansfield and Princeton will also look to improve this season. The CSFL will also welcome Franklin Pierce as its eighth member.

Navy will return 16 All-CSFL players from 2011. David Williams returns to the backfield after rushing for 1,152 yards last season. Lewis Correale will again be under center in front of an experienced offensive line. On defense, the Midshipmen have senior Julian Jerzerick and junior Dylan Etzel back on the defensive line. Linebacker Matt Piotrowicz also returns after leading the team in tackles last season. Three of four starters from last year's secondary are back after putting together five interceptions and 31 pass break-ups a year ago.

Army averaged 487 yards of offense a year ago and with senior quarterback Javier Sustaita returning, the Black Knights are expected to light up the scoreboard once again. Receivers Tom Jeffers and Cody Nyp return as well as running back Marquis Morris. Several key players also return on defense. Linebacker Jake Steckler, defensive end Thomas White and defensive back Kiandre Pratt-Chambers will be counted on throughout the season.

Penn will have a new quarterback under center this season as Keith Braccia takes over for Todd Busler. He will have Busler's top two receiving targets back in the form of Whit Shaw and Andrew Donald. On defense, seven of last year's eight top tacklers are back for the Quakers. Linebacker Anthony DiBella and defensive back Jack Miller are expected to lead the way.

Cornell is expected to improve on its 3-4 mark from a year ago with a host of returning players. Quarterback Brendan Miller, who threw for 1,409 yards and 13 touchdowns in 2011, returns to anchor the offense. Receivers Spenser Gruenenfelder and Abe Mellinger are also back for the Big Red, but there is a void in the backfield with Doug Famularo not returning. On defense, the loss of leading tacklers Colin Lounsberry and Timothy Dooley will create voids in the front seven, but several other players appear ready to step up.

Graham Johnsen takes over as head coach at Mansfield, and the Mountaineers enter the season with plenty of optimism. There will be 27 letter winners returning, including quarterback Mike Maniscalco. There will be several newcomers at the skill position, but the return of three offensive linemen should make the transition easier. Six starters are back on defense, and the defensive line will feature Douglas Bauer, Cody Croasdale and Justin DiMatteo. Jake Myers anchors the linebackers.

Post will also have a new head coach as Michael Mannetti takes over the program. He will work with 33 newcomers on the Eagles roster this season. Post will be counting on tight end Rashaun Reid, who earned All-CSFL honors in 2011. Quarterback Dwayne Carter also returns. Defensive lineman Charles May and linebacker Christopher Lopez return on defense after impressive 2011 campaigns.

Princeton will once again look to turn its fortunes around after another winless season. Head Coach Stephen Everette will deal with the loss of several key players, but the Tigers are hoping some of their newcomers will make an immediate impact. Several starting spots were still unsettled as the Tigers prepared to enter the season.

Franklin Pierce becomes the latest member of the CSFL. The Ravens will play their home games at Oakmont in Ashburnham, Massachusetts. Franklin Pierce will play five non-regular season games against Sprint opponents in its inaugural season.