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Posted by frdbtr - 2008/03/31 09:27

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## Re:All 4 1\'s in the final 4....

Posted by RogDog118 - 2008/03/31 09:47

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That would mean something if Memphis were a member of the BCS. But as a C-USA school, they are not. I think that makes your logic a little flawed.

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Re:All 4 1\'s in the final 4....

Posted by Hengst - 2008/03/31 10:42

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I see what your saying, it's just more fun for me to have an underdog to root for.

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Posted by WACoug - 2008/03/31 10:50

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I agree. I can't wait to see Kansas and North Carolina run n' gun each other to death. I am going to be out of breath just watching that game. I also want to see how Kevin Love responds to the test of Dorsey and Dozier. Also, Collison against Rose will be great. This will be an awesome Final Four.

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Posted by mormonrasta - 2008/03/31 11:26

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Is this a serious post?

Memphis makes the Final Four and they are a nonBCS team. NonBCS teams making the Final Four have never been a regular occurrence in the current NCAA tournament format. In fact, if you look it up you will see that nonBCS teams are actually having more success than in the pre BCS days in advancing deep into the tournament. For example there have been more occurrences of NonBCS teams advancing to the elite 8 over the last 10 years than the 10 years previous to the BCS.

The BCS pertains to the college football postseason and has little to do with anything else.

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**Re:All 4 1\'s in the final 4....**

Posted by kiwibacon - 2008/03/31 11:45

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Posted by WACoug - 2008/03/31 12:20

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You have a pretty impressive bracket. Well played. There have been some good brackets from this group. I remember after last year thinking that Memphis was going to be my choice for this year but I listened to everyone talking about how they weren't challenged and couldn't shoot freethrows. Oh well.

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**Re:All 4 1\'s in the final 4....**

Posted by niqmadu - 2008/03/31 12:29

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My entry (Nater Tater in the Maughan Fam group) still has all four teams left. Best I've done in years.

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**Re:All 4 1\'s in the final 4....**

Posted by Metal Bubba - 2008/03/31 21:44

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They knocked off 3 1 seeds, bro. Kansas, UNC and UK. Unless the tourney changes to a round robin, there will never be a team to beat 4 1 seeds! And you heard it here first!

:silly:

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## Re:All 4 1\'s in the final 4....

Posted by Hawkeye-Coug - 2008/04/02 12:01

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Actually, George Mason provided better competition to Florida than UCLA did -- either year! Mason was only behind by 5 after the first half, while UCLA had double-digit deficits throughout both games. So, you can take your "George Mason didn't belong" smack and put it where the sun doesn't shine. It is inaccurate. Mason's run was a thing of sublime beauty. They belonged more than UCLA and LSU that year.

Go Cougs!!!!!!

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