
Looks like BYU may get shot at Olson after all.

Posted by WACoug - 2008/04/27 15:42

Unless Craft beats him out.

Cowan is out for the year.

<http://sports.espn.go.com/ncf/news/story?id=3370532>

Re:Looks like BYU may get shot at Olson after all.

Posted by craigoscarson - 2008/04/27 15:59

UCLA is going to be a mess next year. For our sake, they need to figure out a way to compete in the Pac 10 or they're looking at a Notre dame type season next year.

I expect heavy doses of their running game against us in Provo. (To be honest, I'd expect them to try our young secondary on the road; but their very inexperienced receiver corps + risk of turnovers and our scary pass rush will keep UCLA very honest).

Considering our prolific offense and the fact that we're playing at home, I don't expect that it'll be terribly competitive. They really don't have any weapons returning except running backs and linemen.

Their defense will be young and disjointed (although certainly still fast) playing at our house: we should be able to use misdirection to our advantage as there's simply no way that their defense will be mature enough (skillwise, experience and agewise) to be in the right place at the right time.

I hope we don't resort to simply trying to run over them though. That will work against 1/2 our schedule but not our pac 10 opponents. The fact that we may be capable of doing so though make it that much harder to game plan for us.

players declared for NFL draft from UCLA
DRAFTED PLAYERS POS ROUND PK(OVR) TEAM
Bruce Davis OLB 3 25(88) Pittsburgh
Matt Slater WR 5 18(153) New England
ALL PLAYERS POS HT WT GRADE FLAG POS RANK OVR RANK
Brandon Breazell WR 5'11" 160 Insider Only
Trey Brown CB 5'9" 185 Insider Only
Kevin Brown DT 6'1" 296 Insider Only
Joe Cowan WR 6'3" 225 Insider Only
Marcus Everett WR 6'0" 204 Insider Only
Brigham Harwell DT 6'0" 287 Insider Only
Christopher Horton S 6'0" 212 Insider Only
Dennis Keyes S 6'0" 205 Insider Only
Christopher Markey RB 5'9" 204 Insider Only
Michael Pitre FB 6'0" 245 Insider Only
Christian Taylor ILB 5'11" 225 Insider Only
Shannon Tevaga OG 6'2" 312 Insider Only
Rodney Van CB 5'10" 175 Insider Only

Re:Looks like BYU may get shot at Olson after all.

Posted by the_other_blackguy@byu - 2008/04/27 21:40

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Re:Looks like BYU may get shot at Olson after all.

Posted by BYUtx - 2008/04/27 21:54

Doesn't sound lame at all.

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Posted by harlinestillopen - 2008/04/28 08:17

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Posted by domanater - 2008/04/28 09:04

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Biggest difference = Provo

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Posted by Real.Men.Wear.Blue - 2008/04/28 09:07

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Their no confidence vote in Ben last week turned out to be premature then.

Re:Looks like BYU may get shot at Olson after all.

Posted by imuakahuku - 2008/04/28 09:41

harlinestillopen wrote:

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I'm not sure, but my guess would be that Cooper could tell you.

Re:Looks like BYU may get shot at Olson after all.

Posted by mountaincougar - 2008/04/28 10:17

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Probably Doman looked at the TE competition at BYU and Oregon while making that decision. B)

Re:Looks like BYU may get shot at Olson after all.

Posted by gmj81 - 2008/04/28 23:14

Funny thing is that he couldn't seem to get over not being able to play QB in college so he tranfers to a school where he thinks the competition is "open" and where he has to walk on to do so. Not only does he still get moved to TE, but he loses the scholarship he had while at BYU. On top of that, if you're going to be a TE, who's going to make you a better one, BYU or Oregon? Some kids just can't seem to exercise a little patience. I know the writing was on the wall with Max being the starter but you never know when the starter will go down. Four years may seem like a long time to play but it goes pretty quick when you keep transferring from one school to another chasing the "open competition at your position".

Re:Looks like BYU may get shot at Olson after all.

Posted by MrRoboto - 2008/04/29 11:29

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Posted by TimO - 2008/04/29 11:31

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A blowout of UCLA would be nice. But if the kicker is becomes the starting QB because of injury or unconsciousness due to hyperventilation, I would feel a little guilt for picking on such a team. About that "." much! :)

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Rumor has it that they did offer Prince back in the day... but had to retract the offer because the team manager couldn't figure out how to put his name, "The artist formerly known as Prince" on the back of the jersey, and Prince didn't like the suggestion of abbreviating it to "BS". :dry:

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