

Amherst's spot on The Today Show was excellent. Both **Brandon Pointer** and **Dewayne Miles** looked and sounded great.

Mullin's loss to Milford meant that both team that participated in the **Super Bowl** in Brownwood lost in their state quarterfinals.

Earlier in the season I spoke of the **NFL's** documentary that will be released next Thanksgiving. I learned this week that they are also going to have a book of the same name, **Football in America**, and have asked to use pictures the **Texas Monthly** folks took.

Petey Salaiz was also featured in the show **Texas Country Reporter** last weekend.

The Computer is a whopping **24-2** for the playoffs. That's **92.3%**, which means the computer's good or the games have been predictable.

game notes:

Dewayne Miles of Amherst continues to roll up the numbers in the playoffs. Dewayne rushed the ball **33** times for **294** yards and **8** touchdowns. He has now scored **24** td's in three playoff games.

In the same game, **Delynn Reed** of Sands had an exceptional game passing against the Amherst defense. Delynn was **26** of **46** for **406** yards through the air and **3** touchdowns. His teammate, **Dallas Hopper**, had **9** receptions for **142** yards and a score. **Justin Hambrick** also had **8** receptions for **123** yards.

Klondike's **Tanner Ethridge** led the Cougars with a **5** yard touchdown pass to **Clayton Roberts**, with only **17** seconds remaining, to grab the victory. Ethridge rushed the ball **13** times for **105** yards. He was also **17** of **25** passing, for **232** yards and **4** touchdowns.

Brandon Rodgers of Whitharral carried the ball **19** times for **178** yards. This left the junior back with just under **1600** yards for the season. **Cameron Dockery** had **14** tackles against Klondike. Cameron finishes the season with **143** tackles.

Panther Creek continued its running barrage against Gordon. **Trey Sykes** rushed for **147** yards on **17** carries and **3** touchdowns. He also returned a kickoff **70** yards for a touchdown. **Luis Dellagadillo** ran it **11** times for **124** yards and a couple of scores. The Panthers also came up with some big plays. **Cody Crye** blocked a punt and **Miguel Guiljosa** recovered it in the end zone for a touchdown.

The **Gordon Longhorns** had an excellent season and do not lose a single player for next season. Look for these guys to be back next year.

Milford's **Chris Pendleton** had a terrific game despite playing most of the second half without part of his lip. Chris required **6-8** stitches to put his lip back together. He had **174** yards through the air and rushed for another **95** yards.

Mullin's **Petey Salaiz** ended one of the most successful six-man careers in history Friday night. Petey had **122** yards on **26** carries. This was despite being hampered by a bad ankle.



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Dawgs and Cats

Well it's down to two dog and cat fights to determine who will go to the Texas state championship game.

The Amherst Bulldogs will battle the Klondike Cougars Friday night in Levelland for the western title, while the Milford Bulldogs and the Panther Creek Panthers will tangle in Hamilton for the eastern crown.

Amherst won their high-scoring game against Sands despite giving up over **400** yards through the air. They just handed the ball to Dewayne Miles and let him run.

Klondike had a scare from upstart Whitharral, but rallied to advance, **38-30**.

Panther Creek locked up their spot by running for over

400 yards on the ground against Gordon.

Milford won the Battle of the Bulldogs rematch, scoring the exact number of points they scored the last year, to win **32-27**.

The Milford victory ended Mullin running back Petey Salaiz' career. Petey finished with **10,468** career rushing yards. Congratulations to Petey, a great player who provided many incredible memories.

It was a wonderful year for Mullin. They played to the largest crown to ever see a six-man game, were featured in an article in Texas Monthly, and made another great run in the playoffs.

The Huntress Six-Man Rankings (after playoff quarterfinals)

rk	team	record	rating	rk	team	record	rating	rk	team	record	rating
1.	Amherst	(13-0-0)	227.47	29.	Lazbuddie	(5-5-0)	165.10	57.	May	(3-7-0)	136.89
2.	Panther Creek	(10-3-0)	210.78	30.	Silverton	(5-5-0)	164.51	58.	Trent	(2-7-0)	134.56
3.	Klondike	(13-0-0)	210.40	31.	Southland	(7-4-0)	163.88	59.	Lefors	(4-6-0)	134.07
4.	Milford	(12-1-0)	208.73	32.	Rochester	(7-3-0)	163.39	60.	Lueders-Avoca	(2-8-0)	133.81
5.	Mullin	(10-3-0)	203.30	33.	Blackwell	(8-3-0)	160.40	61.	Brookesmith	(5-6-0)	133.19
6.	Covington	(9-1-0)	199.63	34.	Lorraine	(5-5-0)	159.83	62.	Follett	(3-7-0)	131.11
7.	Gordon	(12-1-0)	197.35	35.	Sidney	(6-5-0)	159.22	63.	Benjamin	(4-6-0)	128.29
8.	Whitharral	(11-2-0)	196.51	36.	Paint Creek	(5-6-0)	159.02	64.	Newcastle	(4-6-0)	126.57
9.	Jayton	(9-2-0)	196.04	37.	Morgan	(7-2-0)	158.80	65.	Higgins	(2-7-0)	125.36
10.	Sands	(11-2-0)	195.63	38.	Blanket	(4-6-0)	157.62	66.	Oglesby	(3-6-0)	122.86
11.	Trinidad	(9-2-0)	191.57	39.	Rochelle	(7-3-0)	154.98	67.	Ropes	(0-10-0)	120.86
12.	Woodson	(9-2-0)	190.74	40.	Dell City	(3-5-1)	152.91	68.	Star	(2-8-0)	120.40
13.	Strawn	(9-2-0)	183.54	41.	Moran	(5-5-0)	151.26	69.	Patton Springs	(2-7-0)	119.96
14.	Westbrook	(7-4-0)	183.09	42.	Coolidge	(6-4-0)	150.89	70.	Bynum	(1-9-0)	119.86
15.	Richland Springs	(8-2-0)	182.85	43.	Wilson	(4-6-0)	150.47	71.	Cranfills Gap	(2-6-1)	119.20
16.	Wellman	(7-3-0)	181.15	44.	Loop	(3-7-0)	150.07	72.	Lohn	(1-9-0)	118.74
17.	Chillicothe	(8-3-0)	179.92	45.	McLean	(4-6-0)	149.69	73.	Cotton Center	(1-9-0)	116.95
18.	Jonesboro	(8-3-0)	177.41	46.	Gustine	(3-7-0)	149.31	74.	Union	(4-6-0)	114.20
19.	Highland	(5-5-1)	172.49	47.	Paint Rock	(3-5-1)	147.28	75.	Dawson	(0-10-0)	111.69
20.	Samnorwood	(9-2-0)	172.06	48.	Fruitvale	(4-6-0)	146.97	76.	Sierra Blanca	(2-7-0)	110.92
21.	Buena Vista	(9-2-0)	172.01	49.	Buckholts	(4-7-0)	144.11	77.	Aquilla	(0-8-0)	108.78
22.	Zephyr	(7-3-0)	171.59	50.	Borden County	(5-5-0)	143.93	78.	Megargel	(1-8-0)	103.70
23.	Guthrie	(7-2-0)	170.79	51.	Northside	(4-6-0)	142.90	79.	Harrold	(1-8-0)	102.84
24.	Miami	(9-2-0)	169.48	52.	New Home	(3-7-0)	142.14	80.	Ira	(1-9-0)	101.69
25.	Balmorhea	(7-2-1)	167.81	53.	Grandfalls-Royalty	(3-5-2)	141.49	81.	Rule	(0-8-0)	101.02
26.	Cherokee	(8-4-0)	167.70	54.	Grady	(4-6-0)	139.92	82.	Iredell	(0-9-0)	99.39
27.	Meadow	(5-7-0)	166.81	55.	Hermleigh	(5-5-0)	139.86	83.	Novice	(0-10-0)	90.69
28.	Three Way	(5-4-0)	166.53	56.	Walnut Springs	(4-5-1)	139.30	84.	Marathon	(0-9-0)	81.69

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The Draw



Amherst-Klondike at Levelland 7:30 Friday

This is the matchup I hinted at in the preseason. Now they come in undefeated with a state title berth up for grabs.

Both clubs have the franchise player. Amherst has Dwayne Miles, while Klondike has Tanner Ethridge. Both have solid supporting casts. Amherst has Brandon Pointer, Tommy Traylor, and should get Jeremy Jennings back this week. Klondike has Lon Estes, Chris Arizmendez, and Clayton Roberts.

Both teams will run primarily out of a tight formation, but are not afraid to go spread if needed. Yes, Amherst actually ran some plays in the spread last weekend.

Look for the Bulldogs to rely heavily on Miles. He got them this far, now they hope he can take them the rest of the way.

Expect Klondike to run a balanced attack behind Ethridge. The Cougars will try to exploit an Amherst defense that gave up over 400 yards passing last week against Sands.

A great battle on the South Plains.

What the computer says: Amherst by 17

Panther Creek-Milford at Hamilton 7:30 Friday

In the preseason, not many expected to see these two teams make it to this game, however tradition prevailed. Panther Creek was a preseason number 33, while Milford was getting a new coach and came in at number 10.

They have both been here before. Panther Creek won back-to-back titles in 92 and 93, while Milford won back-to-back titles in 1979 and 80, and lost in the title game last season.

Panther Creek comes in on a tear, having won their last 10 games. The Panthers are averaging 79 points per game in the playoffs.

Transfer Trey Sykes has added a new dimension to this team that started the season 0-3, giving them the luxury of 3 quality backs, including Luis Dellagadillo and Cory Crye.

Milford is doing it with Chris Pendleton running the offensive show with Kinta Cook. They run out of both basic formations, but are more effective in the spread, where Chris can utilize his speed. Defensively, Henry Coleman is a monster. He is extremely quick to the ball.

What the computer says: Panther Creek by 2

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