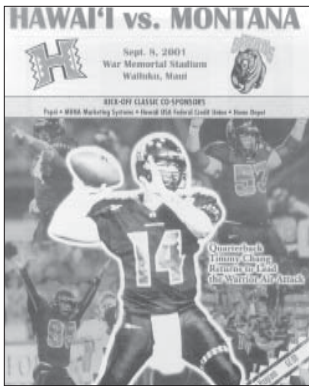


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## GAME 2 vs. Hawai'i 30, Montana 12 September 8, 2001 War Memorial on Maui - Attendance: 12,863 Weather: 80. Trade Winds: 20-30 mph.

UM-1st-9:53-Chris Snyder, 47 field goal, 3-0 UM  
 UM-1st-5:17-Snyder, 49 field goal, 6-0 UM  
 UH-2nd-12:40-Thero Mitchell, 4 run (Justin Ayat kick), 7-6 UH  
 UH-2nd-8:35-Ashley Lelie, 26 pass from Timmy Chang (Ayat kick), 14-6 UH  
 UH-2nd-1:24-C. Stutzmann, 3 pass from Chang (kick failed), 20-6 UH  
 UH-4th-12:12-Ayat, 22 field goal, 23-6 UH  
 UM-4th-9:25-Etu Molden, 12 pass from John Edwards (kick failed), 23-12 UH  
 UH-4th-3:06-Mitchell, 2 run (Ayat kick) 30-12 UH

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Montana	6	0	0	6	12
Hawai'i	0	20	0	10	30

Team Stats	Montana	Hawai'i
First Downs	23	25
Rushing Att-Net Yards	35-165	28-90
Passing Yards	232	435
Comp.-Att.-Int.	47x24-1	54x31-2
Plays-Total Net Yards	82-397	82-525
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	2-1
Punts-Avg.	8-35.1	6-39.3
Penalties-Yards	9-84	10-86
Time of Poss.	27:54	32:06
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	4x16	6x16
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	0x1	0x2
Sacks-by-Yards	1(-6)	4(-23)

**GAME NOTES:** The Warriors snapped a 10-game Griz road win streak with an impressive passing game and Division I-A Hawai'i opened its season with a win at a "home" game at Maui's Memorial Stadium. Maui is an island which is about an hour flight from Honolulu, UH's home base.

Montana's last road loss had been Oct. 2, 1999 in overtime at Portland State. The loss also snapped the Grizzlies' 11-game regular-season win skein, which began exactly a year ago with a 45-38 win over Idaho.

Montana took an early, but short-lived lead on a pair of long field goals of 47 and 49 yards in the first quarter by sophomore kicker Chris Snyder. That was all of Montana's scoring until the final quarter.

Hawai'i scored 23 unanswered points after Snyder's two field goals. The Griz scored their only TD of the game with 9:25 left on a screen pass from John Edwards to Etu Molden from 12 yards out.

Sophomore quarterback Timmy Chang, who was injured a couple of games later and slated to redshirt in 2001, was 31-

of-45-2 for 435 yards and two touchdowns. The 435 passing yards came a week after the Griz allowed just 104 passing yards by Cal Poly.

Junior receiver Ashley Lelie, who reportedly runs a 4.27 second in the 40, hauled in eight passes for 163 yards, including a 26-yarder for a TD in Hawai'i's 20-point second quarter. Chang completed 8-of-13 passes for 179 yards and two touchdowns in the quarter.

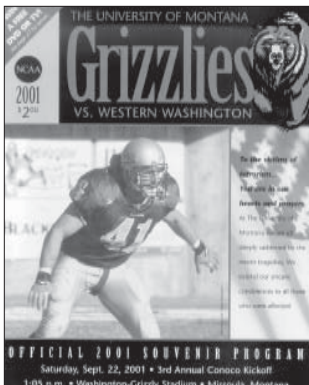
All-time leading rusher Yohance Humphery gained 133 hard-earned yards on 22 carries, Edwards passed for 232 yards and a score, and Molden had a career-high 11 catches for 94 yards and a TD.

Montana was slated to play another I-A team, Idaho, the following Saturday, but due to the events of Sept. 11, 2001, the game was rescheduled for Nov. 24 (in Missoula).

Rushing: UM- Yohance Humphery: 22-133/0. UH- Mike Bass: 16-72/0 Mitchell: 5-19/2.

Passing: UM- Edwards: 24x46-1=232/1. UH- Chang: 31x54-2=435/2.

Receiving: UM- Molden: 11-94/1; Humphery: 3-34/0. UH- Lelie: 8-163/1; Justin Colbert: 8-139/0; Stutzman: 8-99/1. Defense: UM- Vernon Smith: 8 TT; Dave DeCoite: 8 TT; Vince Huntsberger: 7 TT. UH- P. Tinoisamoa: 13 TT, 5 TLs, 3 sacks; Nate Jackson: 10 TT, TL.



## GAME 3 at Montana 30, Western Wash. 0 September 22, 2001 Washington Grizzly Stadium Attendance: 18,398 Weather: 65 Degrees, Sunny.

UM-1st-3:41-Chris Snyder, 24 field goal, 3-0 UM  
 UM-2nd-9:45-John Edwards, 1 run (Snyder kick), 10-0 UM  
 UM-2nd-2:13-Snyder, 27 field goal, 13-0 UM  
 UM-2nd-00:22-Yohance Humphery, 1 run (Snyder kick), 20-0 UM  
 UM-4th-14:13-Snyder, 44 field goal, 23-0 UM  
 UM-4th-8:48-T.J. Oelkers, 52 pass from Edwards (Snyder kick), 30-0 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
W. Washington	0	0	0	0	0
Montana	3	17	0	10	30

Team Stats	W. Wash.	Montana
First Downs	11	15
Rushing Att-Net Yards	37-44	34-113
Passing Yards	137	277
Att.-Comp.-Int.	28x13-0	31x19-0
Plays-Total Net Yards	65-181	65-390
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	3-1
Punts-Avg.	12-42.5	7-36.3
Penalties-Yards	4-25	8-66
Time of Poss.	29:33	30:27
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	4x17	4x15
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	0x1	0x1
Sacks-by-Yards	2(-15)	6(-47)

**GAME NOTES:** Quarterback John Edwards threw for a career-high 277 yards, and Montana and the rest of America tried to return to some sort of normalcy after the terrorists' attacks of September 11. The Griz had been scheduled to play Idaho the previous week, but the game was postponed and then re-scheduled for Nov. 24

Thousands of fans dressed in red, white, and blue, and a ceremony honoring the victims and heroes of the attack was held before kickoff. The new playing surface was dedicated to John C. Hoyt, a Grizzly benefactor who died in March 2001.

Second-ranked Montana dominated the game defensively and registered its first shutout since a 48-0 win over Idaho State early in the 1997 season. That was 49 games ago. It was the Grizzlies' first blanking at home since a 43-0 thrashing of Cal Poly in 1996.

Western Washington, one of the top-rated teams in Division II, had scored 77 points the previous week in a 77-0 pounding of NAIA foe Western Montana. The Griz held the Vikings to 181 total yards and 11 first downs and limited them to 44 net yards rushing on 37 attempts.

Senior halfback Yohance Humphery had a one-yard scoring run in the closing seconds of the first half. It was his 31st career

touchdown, tying the school record set by quarterback "Wild" Bill Kelly from 1924-26. Humphery finished with 105 yards on 19 carries. It was his third straight 100-yard game and the 14th on his career.

Linebacker Matt Steinau led the "D" with 8 tackles. Montana had 11 tackles for losses. Freshman returner Levander Segars debuted with nine punt returns for 122 yards.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 19-105/1 Edwards: 7-17/1. WWU-Nyle Chambers: 13-40/0.

Passing: UM-Edwards: 19x31-0-277/1. WWU-Scott Mitchell: 13x28-0=137/0.

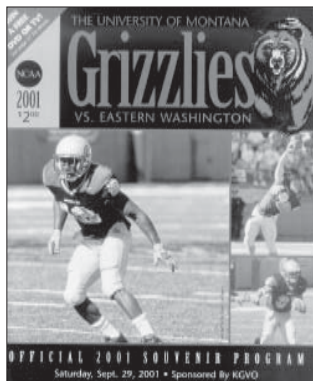
Receiving: UM- Etu Molden: 6-60/0; Rory Zikmund: 4-55/0; Oelkers: 3-83/1. WWU-Ryan

Van Diest: 5-66/0. Defense: UM-Matt Steinau: 8 TT, 2 TLs; Tim Bush: 6 TT, 2 TLs, sack.

WWU-Erik Totten: 14 TT, 3 TLs, PD; Wayne Parker: 11 TT, sack, 2 FF.



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## GAME 4 at Montana 29, Eastern Washington 26–Double Overtime September 29, 2001 Washington Grizzly Stadium - 19,198 Weather: 55 Degrees, Cloudy

EWU-1st-12:06-Jesse Chatman, 9 run (Troy Griggs-kick failed), 6-0 EWU  
UM-1st-8:40-Etu Molden, 15 pass from T.J. Oelkers (Chris Snyder kick), 7-6 UM  
EWU-1st-3:07-Griggs, 32 field goal, 9-7 EWU  
UM-1st-0:13-Yohance Humphery, 7 run, (John Edwards pass to Humphery), 15-9 UM  
UM-3rd-1:07-Humphery, 23 run (Edwards pass to Oelkers), 23-9 UM  
EWU-4th-10:39-Chatman, 11 run (Griggs kick), 23-16 UM  
EWU-4th-8:21-Chatman, 12 run (Griggs kick), 23-23  
EWU-2nd OT-Griggs, 42 field goal, 26-23 EWU  
UM-2nd OT-Molden, 20 pass from Edwards, 29-26 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	1-OT	2-OT	Score
E. Washington	9	0	0	14	0	3	26
Montana	15	0	8	0	0	6	29

Team Stats	EWU	Montana
First Downs	25	25
Rushing Att-Net Yards	42-169	47-247
Passing Yards	353	228
Att.-Comp.-Int.	44x23-2	35x20-2
Plays-Total Net Yards	86-522	82-475
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Punts-Avg.	5-38.2	6-42.0
Penalties-Yards	5-58	10-90
Time of Poss.	28:46	31:14
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	5x19	5x14
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	2x3	0x1
Sacks by-Yards	1(-3)	2(-14)

Rushing: UM-Humphery:31-201/2; Edwards:10-36/0;Branden Malcom:4-30/0. EWU-Chatman:36-177/3.  
Passing: UM-Edwards: 19x33-2=213/1. EWU-Fred Salanoa: 23x44-2=353/0.  
Receiving: UM- Spencer Frederick: 6-54/0; Molden: 5-69/2; Humphery: 5-58/0. EWU-Kyler Randall: 7-118/0; Lamont Brightful: 5-129/0.  
Defense: UM-Matt Steinaur: 12 TT, TL; Vince Huntsberger: 11 TT, FF, PD. EWU-Luke Vincent: 16 TT, 3 Tls; Alvin Tolliver: 14 TT.

GAME NOTES: Montana led 23-9 after three quarters, but it took a 20-yard touchdown pass from John Edwards to Etu Molden in the second overtime for the Grizzlies to pull this one out of the proverbial hat against long-time nemesis Eastern Washington.

The Eagles unleashed the "8 ball," also known as half-back Jesse Chatman, and the quick, powerful back rushed for 56 yards in the final quarter and scored twice, including a 12-yarder which eventually led to a 23-all score at the end of regulation.

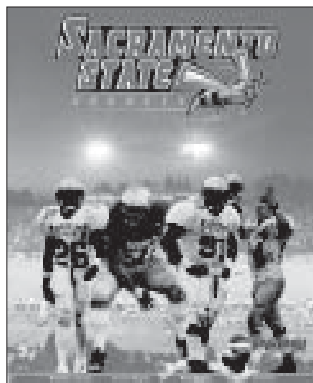
Molden drew single coverage on the left side of the field and caught the ball in the back of the north end zone. The touchdown capped a surreal final few minutes and was like deja vu for Griz fans, considering the Griz won five games in the closing minutes in the 2000 season.

An errant snap foiled Montana's 27-yard field goal attempt in the first overtime. EWU ran the ball three straight times, but kicker Troy Griggs was wide right on the potential game-winner from 36 yards out. Griggs hit a 42-yarder in the second OT to give the Eagles a 26-23 lead.

The game-winner came on a 3rd-and-5 from the 20, as Edwards floated a perfect pass to Molden and the third-ranked Grizzlies escaped with the victory.

Yohance Humphery rushed for a career-high 201 yards and scored twice, while Molden had UM's other two scores. Junior free safety Trey Young had eight tackles, an interception, a forced fumble, a sack, and three pass deflections. UM's defense forced three turnovers inside the red zone.

Chatman rushed 36 times for 177 yards and all three Eagle touchdowns.



## GAME 5 Montana 42, at Sacramento State 7 October 6, 2001 Hornet Stadium - Attendance: 13,586 Weather: 72 Degrees, Clear

UM-1st-10:04-John Edwards, 5 run (Chris Snyder kick), 7-0 UM  
UM-1st-5:51-Yohance Humphery, 3 run (Snyder kick), 14-0 UM  
SAC-2nd-12:49-Mike Johnson, 14 pass from Ryan Leadingham (Jimmy Sanchez kick), 14-7 UM  
UM-2nd-2:50-Etu Molden, 55 pass from Edwards (Snyder kick), 21-7 UM  
UM-3rd- 12:03-Molden, 5 pass from Edwards (Snyder kick), 28-7 UM  
UM-3rd-1:26- Humphery 1 run (Snyder kick), 35-7 UM  
UM-4th-8:10-Branden Malcom, 2 run (Snyder kick), 42-7 UM

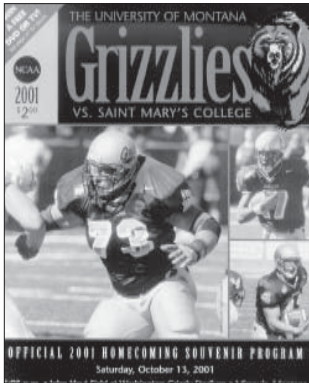
Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Montana	14	7	14	7	42
Sacramento State	0	7	0	0	7

Team Stats	Montana	Sac
First Downs	23	26
Rushing Att-Net Yards	41-186	39-121
Passing Yards	253	302
Att.-Comp.-Int.	26x17-0	51x29-1
Plays-Total Net Yards	67-439	90-423
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	3-1
Punts-Avg.	5-45.8	4-42.3
Penalties-Yards	7-83	8-67
Time of Poss.	27:24	32:36
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	4x10	11x20
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	0x0	0x3
Sacks by-Yards	2(-16)	2(-10)

quarter. Back-up Brandon Neill, a junior transfer from Wyoming, played admirably, and he led the Griz to score and completed all three of his pass attempts.  
The Sac defense held Yohance Humphery to a season-low 75 yards, although he scored twice.  
Junior safety Joel Rosenberg had a game and career-high 13 tackles, including one stop for a loss, along with a pass deflection.  
Rushing: UM-Humphery: 18-75/2; Malcom: 11-56/1; Edwards: 8-24/1. SAC-Derard Barton: 18-69/0.  
Passing: UM-Edwards: 23x14-0=225/2. SAC-Leadingham: 46x25-1=285/1.  
Receiving: UM- Molden: 7-149/2. SAC-Mike Johnson: 6-89/1; Fred Amey: 6-79/0.  
Defense: UM-Joel Rosenberg: 13 TT, TL, PF; Trey Young: 10 TT, Int; Vince Huntsberger: 10 TT. SAC-Camron Mbewa: 9 TT, 2 Tls.



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## GAME 6 at Montana 49, St. Mary's 19 October 13, 2001 Washington Grizzly Stadium - Attendance: 19,242 Weather: 51 Degrees, Sunny & Breezy.

UM-1st-10:24-Yohance Humphery, 14 pass from Brandon Neill (Chris Snyder kick), 7-0 UM  
UM-1st-7:35-Etu Molden, 34 pass from Neill (Snyder kick), 14-0 UM  
UM-1st-3:40-Humphery, 13 run (Snyder kick), 21-0 UM  
UM-2nd-13:05-Molden, 11 pass from Neill (Snyder kick), 28-0 UM  
UM-2nd-11:18-Molden, 75 pass from Neill (Snyder kick), 35-0 UM  
SMC-2nd-9:28-Andre Coleman, 2 run (kick failed), 35-6 UM  
UM-2nd-5:27-Spencer Frederick, 17 pass from Neill (Snyder kick), 42-6 UM  
SMC-2nd-4:27-Gus Papanikolas, 58 run (pass failed), 32-12 UM  
UM-2nd-3:14-Humphery, 1 run (Snyder kick), 49-12 UM  
SMC-4th-12:36-Nate Brown, 59 pass from Papanikolas (Ezequiel Arevalo kick), 49-19 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
St. Mary's	0	12	0	7	19
Montana	21	28	0	0	49

Team Stats	St. Mary's	Montana
First Downs	15	23
Rushing Att-Net Yards	52-226	43-203
Passing Yards	155	286
Att.-Comp.-Int.	16x7-0	28x17-0
Plays- Total Net Yards	68-381	71-489
Fumbles-Lost	6-1	3-1
Punts-Avg.	10-38.1	6-47.2
Penalties-Yards	7-59	6-55
Time of Poss.	29:58	30:02
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	6x17	6x13
4 <sup>th</sup> Downs Cons.	0x1	0x0
Sacks by-Yards	1(-4)	1(-5)

**GAME NOTES:** The Grizzlies had a nail-biter at home a couple of weeks earlier in the season against Eastern Washington, but this one wasn't like that. Montana dismantled St. Mary's, a Division I-AA Independent, scoring all 49 of its points in the first half. The Griz scored eight of their nine possessions in the first 30 minutes en route to an unsurmountable 49-12 halftime advantage.

It was the Grizzlies' Homecoming contest and 19,242 sun-baked fans, the fourth biggest crowd in Washington Grizzly Stadium history, was on hand.

Quarterback Brandon Neill, subbing for fellow junior John Edwards, passed for 281 yards and 5 touchdowns in the first three quarters, and he rushed for 72 yards on eight carries. Neill, a transfer from the University of Wyoming, led the Griz to touchdowns on their first six possessions. His 5 TD passes tied him with five others for the second most scoring passes in a game at UM.

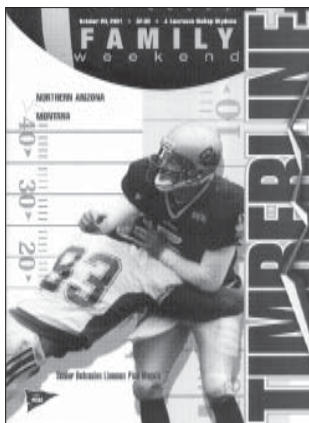
Neill, from C.M. Russell High School in Great Falls, started two games at Wyoming in 2000 when its starter went down.

Senior receiver Etu Molden continued his torrid play, scoring on touchdown catches of 34, 11, and 75 yards, giving him seven scoring grabs in UM's past three games.

On defense, the Griz were led by senior safety Vince Huntsberger who had a team-high 11 tackles.

Yohance Humphery carried 25 times for 114 yards and scored three times, two via the rush and one via the pass.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 25-114/2; Neill: 8-72/0. SMC-Papanikolas: 18-95/1; Coleman: 12-54/1.  
Passing: UM-Neill: 16x26-0=281/5. SMC: Papanikolas: 7x16-0=155/1.  
Receiving: UM-Molden: 5-151/3; Tyler Peterson: 4-46/0. SMC-Coleman: 3-55/0; Brown: 2-63/1.  
Defense: UM-Vince Huntsberger: 11 TT, PD; Dave DeCoite: 7 TT, TL. SMC-Burley-Johnson: 10 TT.



## GAME 7 Montana 38, at Northern Arizona 27 October 20, 2001 Walkup Skydome - Attendance: 11,387 Weather: Indoors (72 degrees)

UM-1st-12:36-Spencer Frederick, 8 pass from John Edwards (Chris Snyder kick), 7-0 UM  
UM-1st-11:29-Branden Malcom, 32 run (Snyder kick), 14-0 UM  
UM-2nd-10:37-T.J. Oelkers, 29 pass from Edwards (Snyder kick), 21-0 UM  
UM-2nd-6:55-Etu Molden, 4 pass from Edwards (Snyder kick), 28-0 UM  
UM-2nd-0:57-Snyder 49 field goal, 31-0 UM  
UM-3rd-11:16-Vince Huntsberger, 65 fumble return (Snyder kick), 38-0 UM  
NAU-3rd-9:24-Inoke Taufa, 13 fumble return (Ty Dondelinger kick), 38-7 UM  
NAU-3rd-7:37-Johnny Marshall, 29 pass from Preston Parsons (Dondelinger kick), 38-14 UM  
NAU-0:15-Brian Bingham, 1 run (Dondelinger kick), 38-21 UM  
NAU-4th-6:45-Tom Winn, 30 pass from Parsons (kick failed), 38-27 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Montana	14	17	7	0	38
Northern Arizona	0	0	21	6	27

Team Stats	Montana	NAU
First Downs	21	18
Rushing Att-Net Yards	37-136	39-119
Passing Yards	216	246
Att.-Comp.-Int.	31x16-2	35x17-0
Plays- Total Net Yards	68-352	74-365
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	5-5
Punts-Avg.	4-43.0	4-53.5
Penalties-Yards	7-63	7-60
Time of Poss.	31:33	28:27
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	7x15	5x14
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	0x0	2x4
Sacks by-Yards	7(-35)	5(-39)

**GAME NOTES:** When senior strong safety Vince Huntsberger literally took the ball out of the hands of NAU quarterback Preston Parsons and scored from 65 yards out to give Montana a stunning 38-0 lead over the Lumberjacks at their annual "Family Day" game in Flagstaff, this one looked like it was over.

It wasn't, though, as the Jacks scored 27 unanswered points and took advantage of Griz turnovers.

Quarterback John Edwards returned after a one-week injury hiatus and looked unstoppable in the first half, going 14-of-23-0 for 199 yards and 3 TDs. The Griz defense forced four NAU fumbles, and the Griz recovered all four, and three of them resulted in touchdowns.

In the final half, the No. 18 Lumberjacks out-gained the Grizzlies 211 to 58 total yards and took advantage of those Grizzly turnovers. NAU's comeback started when Edwards dropped back to pass and was blind-sided, then fumbled, and defensive end Inoke Taufa scooped up the loose ball and scored. Edwards was 2-of-8-2 for 17 yards passing in the second half and was picked off twice.

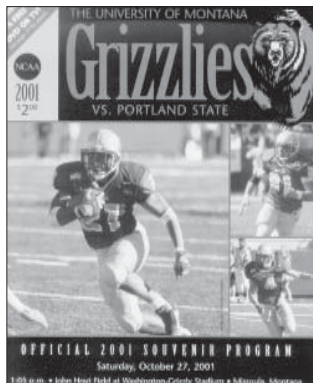
Yo Humphery picked up some critical first downs for UM in its final couple of possessions of the game. He gained 127 hard-earned yards on 29 carries. Etu Molden had a team-high 6 catches for 63 yards and a TD.

There was a war of words leading up to the game, as NAU offensive lineman Nick Yerton told the *Arizona Daily Sun* following the Jacks' win at Weber State: "The big thing is we just came in knowing Montana was going to watch our film. We had a big game last year, and we wanted them to know that this is the best line in our conference."

Rushing: UM-Yohance Humphery: 29-127/0; Malcom: 1-32/1. NAU-Bingham: 18-106/1.  
Passing: UM-Edwards: 16x31-2=216/3. NAU-Parsons: 17x34-0=246/2.  
Receiving: UM-Molden: 6-63/1; Rory Zikmund: 4-36/0. NAU-Marshall: 8-136/1; Winn: 3-60/1.  
Defense: UM-Vernon Smith: 9 TT, FR; Huntsberger: 9 TT, TL/sack, FR (TD); Jonny Varona: 6 TT, 3 sacks. NAU-Keith O'Neil: 11 TT, sack; Kela Loo: 11 TT, PD.



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## GAME 8 at Montana 33, Portland State 13 October 27, 2001 Washington Grizzly Stadium - 19,238 Weather: 42 Sunny

UM-1st-13:15 Etu Molden, 66 pass from John Edwards (Chris Snyder kick), 7-0 UM  
UM-1st-10:01 Spencer Frederick, 19 pass from Edwards (Snyder kick), 14-0 UM  
PSU-1st-6:14 Jesse Levin, 14 pass from Justin Wood (M. Cajal-Willis kick), 14-7 UM  
UM-2nd-0:45 Yohance Humphery, 24 run (Snyder kick), 21-7 UM  
PSU-2nd-11:28 Cajal-Willis, 26 field goal, 21-10 UM  
UM-2nd-7:51 Snyder, 47 field goal, 24-10 UM  
UM-3rd-10:10 Molden, 2 run (Snyder kick), 31-10 UM  
PSU-3rd-6:26 Cajal-Willis, 46 field goal, 31-13 UM  
UM-4th-8:38 Team Safety, 33-13 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Portland State	7	3	3	0	13
Montana	21	3	7	2	33

Team Stats	PSU	Montana
First Downs	20	28
Rushing Att-Net Yards	26-43	40-192
Passing Yards	341	301
Att.-Comp.-Int.	42x23-2	37x26-0
Plays-Total Net Yards	68-384	77-493
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	0-0
Punts-Avg.	5-40.2	5-41.6
Penalties-Yards	7-60	10-109
Time of Poss.	28:46	31:14
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	6x14	8x16
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	0x1	0x0
Sacks by-Yards	4(-30)	5(-42)

Molden was once again impressive, hauling in 10 passes for 142 yards and a score. He also rushed for his first career TD, a 2-yarder which gave the Griz a 31-10 cushion.

Sophomore ends Ciche Pitcher and Tim Bush both had big games. Pitcher had 5 tackles, an interception, a forced fumble and a sack. Bush had three of UM's six sacks.

Two days after the PSU victory, Montana was voted the No. 1 team in Division I-AA, as Georgia Southern dropped a 19-16 contest to visiting East Tennessee State.

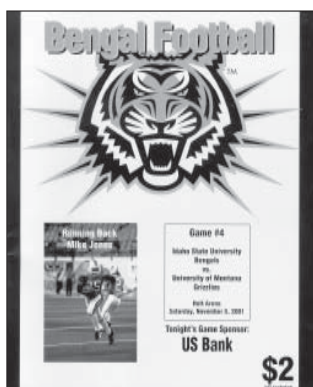
Rushing: UM-Humphery: 21-153/1; Edwards: 12-29/1. PSU-Ryan Fuqua: 20-88/0.  
Passing: UM-Edwards: 23x32-0=270/2; Brandon Neill: 3x5-0=31/0. PSU-Wood: 23x42-2=341/1.  
Receiving: UM-Molden: 10-142/1; Spencer Frederick: 6-47/1; Humphery: 4-48/0. PSU-Terry Charles: 8-114/0; Levin: 5-82/1.  
Defense: UM-Joel Robinson: 8TT; Calvin Coleman: 7TT, TL; Vince Huntsberger: 6TT, FF, PD. PSU-Ryan Wells: 11TT.

GAME NOTES: Like last season, this game was expected to be a showdown between two of the Big Sky Conference's title contenders, but Etu Molden set the tone when he took a screen pass from QB John Edwards and raced 66 yards for a touchdown on Montana's (7-1/4-0 in league) first possession of the game as the Griz defeated visiting Portland State.

Last year's Griz-Viking clash marked the return of halfback Yohance Humphery, who had not played in a month due to a hamstring pull he suffered early in the Eastern Washington game. Yo rushed for a school-record 37 times and gained a career-high 194 yards in UM's 33-21 win at PSU in 2000.

Humphery gained 153 yards on 21 totes in the 2001 meeting with the Vikings, and his 24-yard burst late in the first quarter put the Griz on top 21-7. It was Yo's seventh 100-yard effort of the season and 18<sup>th</sup> in his career.

It was arguably Edwards' best career outing, as he completed 23-of-32 (72%) passes for 270 yards and two TDs. (Last season Edwards also was the winning QB at PSU, subbing for the injured Drew Miller).



## GAME 9 Montana 32, at Idaho State 28 November 3, 2001 Holt Arena - Attendance: 9,242 Weather: Indoors (72 degrees)

ISU-1st-11:43 Troy Bell, 1 run (Javier Garcia kick), 7-0 ISU  
UM-1st-9:23 Chris Snyder, 48 field goal, 7-3 ISU  
UM-3rd-12:26 Yohance Humphery, 22 pass from Brandon Neill (Snyder kick), 10-7 UM  
ISU-3rd-8:54 Mike Jones, 2 run (Garcia kick), 14-10 ISU  
ISU-3rd-8:35 Josh Robinson, 13 fumble return (Garcia kick), 21-10 ISU  
UM-3rd-4:46 Etu Molden, 32 pass from Neill (Neill rush), 21-18 ISU  
ISU-3rd-1:54 Sale' Key, 21 pass from Doug Baughman (Garcia kick), 28-18 ISU  
UM-4th-13:02 Calvin Coleman, 53 interception return (Snyder kick), 28-25 ISU  
UM-4th-6:06 Neill, 5 run (Snyder kick), 32-28 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Montana	3	0	15	14	32
Idaho State	7	0	21	0	28

Team Stats	Montana	ISU
First Downs	22	23
Rushing Att-Net Yards	38-140	29-62
Passing Yards	200	300
Att.-Comp.-Int.	27x20-0	43x26-1
Plays-Total Net Yards	65-340	72-362
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	0-0
Punts-Avg.	4-47.0	4-39.3
Penalties-Yards	8-88	8-93
Time of Poss.	30:16	29:35
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	7x13	6x13
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	1x1	1x2
Sacks by-Yards	5(-30)	5(-25)

10 advantage. The teams then traded touchdowns, and when ISU scored again the Bengals took a 28-18 lead after three quarters.

Montana (8-1/5-0 Big Sky) turned the tide when senior CB Calvin Coleman picked off a pass by Bengal QB Doug Baughman and scored on a 53-yard interception return, cutting the ISU lead to 28-25.

Neill engineered a five-minute long drive, and his 5-yard run on a quarterback draw play with 6:06 left proved to be the game-winner. Neill was an extremely efficient 15-of-18 (83%) for 148 yards and two TDs, and he also rushed for 29 yards and had a few carries for some key first downs.

Humphery had his eighth 100-yard rushing game of the season, gaining 112 yards on 19 carries. Senior receiver Etu Molden had a TD catch for the sixth game in a row.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 19-112/0; Neil: 12-29/1. ISU-Jones: 15-44/1; Bell: 5-31/1. Passing: UM-Neill: 15x18-0-148/2; John Edwards: 5x9-0=52/0. ISU-Baughman: 26x43-1=300/1. Receiving: UM-Molden: 8-97/1; Humphery: 5-61/1. ISU-Key: 8-86/1; Jason Girley: 6-52/0. Defense: UM-Vince Huntsberger: 10 TT, PD; Matt Steinau: 9 TT, TL; Trey Young: 8 TT, 2 sacks (-17); Calvin Coleman: 7 TT, int. (TD), 2 PDs. ISU-Bart Brooks: 11 TT, 2 TLs; Josh Whitworth: 11 TT, 2 TLs.

GAME NOTES: The No. 1-ranked Griz struggled early in this one, but a momentum-swinging defensive break, the solid play of junior QB Brandon Neill and senior running back Yohance Humphery, along with the "D," helped Montana pull this one out against the upset-minded Idaho State Bengals.

Idaho State set the tone early, as it marched 80 yards in seven plays en route to an early 7-0 lead. The Griz answered on its first drive with a 48-yard field goal by sophomore kicker Chris Snyder. That was to be all of the scoring in the half, however.

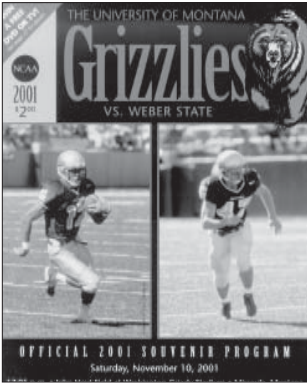
Junior QB John Edwards had to leave the game late in the first quarter with a rib injury. It was the second time in 2001 that he'd been knocked out of a game, as he suffered a concussion and neck injury at Sac State on Oct. 6.

After a so-so second quarter, Neill led the offense to a five-play, 89-yard scoring drive on UM's first possession of the second half — he hit Humphery for a 22-yard TD pass to give Montana its first lead.

That lead was short-lived, though, as ISU scored on its first possession of the third quarter to take a 14-



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## GAME 10 at Montana 38, Weber State 23 November 10, 2001 Washington Grizzly Stadium - 17,062 Weather: 34 (kickoff) Sunny

UM-1st-7:38-Yohance Humphery, 46 run (Chris Snyder kick), 7-0 UM  
WSU-1st-5:07-Johnnie Gray, 2 run (Jason Zur kick), 7-7  
UM-1st-2:20-Humphery, 38 run (Snyder kick), 14-7 UM  
WSU-2nd-14:19-Justin DeFour, 8 pass from Tyler Gladwell (Zur kick), 14-14  
UM-2nd-0:22-Brandon Neill, 6 run (Snyder kick), 21-14 UM  
UM-3rd-11:16-Humphery, 8 run (Snyder kick), 28-14 UM  
WSU-3rd-6:35-Zur, 32 field goal, 28-17 UM  
UM-3rd-2:11-Snyder, 48 field goal, 31-17 UM  
WSU-3rd-0:32-Gray, 32 run (Zur-kick failed), 31-23 UM  
UM-4th-1:19-Humphery, 10 run (Snyder kick), 38-23 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Weber State	7	7	9	0	23
Montana	14	7	10	7	38

Team Stats	WSU	Montana
First Downs	25	27
Rushing Att-Net Yards	44-156	54-377
Passing Yards	280	167
Att.-Comp.-Int.	41x22-0	30x20-1
Plays-Total Net Yards	85-436	84-544
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	3-2
Punts-Avg.	5-39.6	2-41.5
Penalties-Yards	6-49	8-71
Time of Poss.	29:44	30:16
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	8x17	11x15
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	1x2	0x0
Sacks by-Yards	1(-7)	7(-52)

**GAME NOTES:** Senior halfback Yohance Humphery broke several records, as the Grizzlies defeated the Wildcats to give Montana a record-setting fourth Big Sky Conference championship in a row. It was the Grizzlies' seventh Big Sky title in nine years and 10th in school history.

The top-ranked Grizzlies improved to 6-0 in the Big Sky and 9-1 overall. Montana has now won 19 consecutive league games and eight games in a row.

The league crown also assured the Griz of their ninth straight trip to the I-AA playoffs, a streak that started in 1993.

Humphery had his ninth 100-yard rushing game of 2001 and 20th of his career. He rushed a school-record 38 times and a school-record 265 yards. He broke the single-game record of 227 yards set by Les Kent at Portland State in 1969.

That yardage total gave Yo 1,444 for the season, shattering the mark of 1,277 yards that he set in 1999. Humphery's 3,680 career yards rank him fifth in conference history.

Junior quarterback Brandon Neill rushed 11 times for 102 yards and a TD and passed for 167 yards. He started his second game of the season (the other start was against St. Mary's) for injured (ribs) junior QB John Edwards.

Neill's reaching of the century mark was the first time since 1978 that a Griz QB had rushed for more than 100 yards in a game. In '78, Rocky Klever was moved from his usual tailback spot to quarterback against intra-state Montana State, and he gained 119 yards in a 24-8 Griz win.

Junior free safety Trey Young had a team-high 13 tackles, three for losses, along with two sacks and a forced fumble.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 38-265/4; Neill: 11-102/1. WSU-Gray:33-204/2.

Passing: UM-Neill: 20x30-1=167/0. WSU-Gladwell: 22x41=280/1.

Receiving: UM-T.J. Oelkers: 6-42/0; Humphery: 5-35/0; Spencer Frederick: 3-54/0. WSU-Dam.

Greenberry: 9-105/0; Justin DeFour: 5-47/1.

Defense: UM-Trey Young: 13TT, 3TLs, 2sacks, FF; Vince Huntsberger: 9TT, TL. WSU-Matt McFadden: 21 TT, 2 TLs, PD.



## GAME 11 Montana 38, at Montana State 27 November 17, 2001 Bobcat Stadium - Attendance: 15,238 Weather: 47, Cloudy; Wind: 5-15 SW

MSU-1st-8:49-Ryan Johnson, 3 run (Nate Cook kick), 7-0 MSU  
UM-1st-7:23-Etu Molden, 26 pass from John Edwards (Chris Snyder kick), 7-7  
MSU-1st-4:50-Johnson, 6 run (Cook kick), 14-7 MSU  
UM-2nd-11:46-Snyder, 34 field goal, 14-10 MSU  
UM-2nd-6:36-T.J. Oelkers, 19 run (Snyder kick), 17-14 UM  
MSU-2nd-0:27-Cook, 39 field goal, 17-17  
UM-3rd-11:23-Yohance Humphery, 1 run (Snyder kick), 24-17 UM  
UM-3rd-5:35-Humphery, 1 run (Snyder kick), 31-17 UM  
MSU-3rd-3:20-Aaron Ware, 3 pass from Tyler Thomas (Cook kick), 31-24 UM  
MSU-4th-14:24-Cook, 35 field goal, 31-27 UM  
UM-4th-9:10-Edwards, 1 run (Snyder kick), 38-27 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Montana	7	10	14	7	38
Montana State	14	3	7	3	27

Team Stats	Montana	MSU
First Downs	22	18
Rushing Att-Net Yards	48-134	28-124
Passing Yards	163	227
Att.-Comp.-Int.	29x14-0	38x18-1
Plays-Total Net Yards	77-297	66-351
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-1
Punts-Avg.	6-52.5	5-41.6
Penalties-Yards	8-50	9-77
Time of Poss.	35:13	24:47
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	6x16	3x12
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	2x2	1x2
Sacks by-Yards	1(-2)	4(-16)

**GAME NOTES:** THE STREAK continued, but the Grizzlies' 16<sup>th</sup> win in a row in this 101st match-up was difficult.

UM's ninth straight win of the 2001 season was once again due in a large part to two big plays: a fake field goal and a Bobcat turnover.

Mid-way through the second quarter the Grizzlies regained the lead when T.J. Oelkers, UM's holder, raced 19 yards for a touchdown on a fake field goal. It was Oelkers' first career rushing TD. MSU tied the game 17-all at half-time on a field goal.

The Griz got a break on MSU's first possession of the second half when junior halfback Ryan Johnson fumbled on the Cat 13-yard line. Four plays later Yohance Humphery scored on a one-yard run, and Montana took the lead (24-17) for good.

Humphery rushed 35 times for a hard-earned 101 yards and scored twice.

Junior quarterback John Edwards started his second Griz-Cat game in a row and improved to 2-0 vs. MSU with the win. Edwards was an efficient 13-of-28 for 162 yards and a scoring pass and had a critical one-yard run for UM's final touchdown.

Montana State out-gained Montana 351 to 297 total yards, but the Grizzlies had almost 11 more minutes of possession time and held the Cats to 3-of-12 on third down conversions. Junior punter Mark Spencer had a career-long 77 yards in the game.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 35-101/2; Oelkers: 1-19/1; Edwards: 10-19/1. MSU-Johnson: 24-98/2.

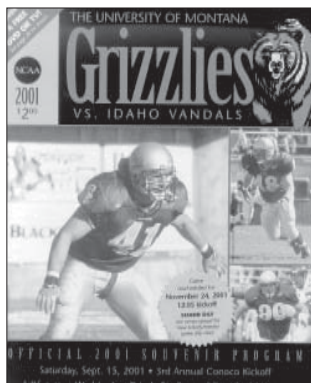
Passing: UM-Edwards: 13x28-0=162/1. MSU-Thomas: 18x38-1=227/1.

Receiving: UM-Humphery: 5-41/0 Molden: 2-44/1; Frederick: 3-31/0. MSU-Junior Adams: 6-63/0

Defense: UM- Vince Huntsberger: 9TT, PD; Calvin Coleman: 8 TT, TL, 2 PDs. MSU-Kane loane: 16 TT, 3 TLs, 2sacks.



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## GAME 12 at Montana 33, Idaho 27 (2 OTs) November 24, 2001

Washington Grizzly Stadium - 18,056  
Weather: 36 Degrees, Cloudy. Wind: 15-25, swirling.

UM-1st-11:47-Etu Molden, 25 pass from John Edwards (Chris Snyder kick), 7-0 UM  
UI-1st-4:53-Anthony Tenner, 4 run (Keith Stamps kick), 7-7  
UM-1st-1:28-Yohance Humphery, 2 run (Snyder kick), 14-7 UM  
UM-2nd-8:46-Snyder, 33 field goal, 17-7 UM  
UI-2nd-4:51-Tenner, 12 run (Stamps kick), 17-14 UM  
UM-3rd-1:40-Snyder, 26 field goal, 20-14 UM  
UI-4th-14:34-Rossi Martin, 25 pass from John Welsh (Stamps-kick failed), 20-20  
UM-1st OT-Molden, 11 pass from Edwards (Snyder kick), 27-20 UM  
UI-1st OT-Ethan Jones, 19 pass from Welsh (Brian Pope kick), 27-27  
UM-2nd OT-Humphery, 25 run 33-27 UM

**GAME NOTES:** The last three times these teams have met, it's come down to the final seconds of the game, and fortunately for Montana, they came out on top. This 81st meeting in this long-standing rivalry – the second oldest for each school, featured all sorts of momentum swings.

Two years ago, when the Vandals won on a last-second field goal, it looked like the Griz would win in the same fashion, but Chris Snyder's 41-yard field goal was wide left, due in a large part to strong, swirling winds, forcing overtime.

The Griz struck first blood in overtime, as Etu Molden caught a fade pass in the right side of the end zone for an 11-yard touchdown. Trailing by seven and facing a 4th-and-14 from the 19, Idaho QB John Welsh found Ethan Jones in the right side of the end zone, and he made an improbable catch between two Griz defenders. Brian Pope's PAT knotted it at 27-27.

Idaho had the first possession in the second OT, but Pope missed a 30-yard field goal attempt, which meant Montana just had to score in any fashion for the win.

Quarter	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>Score</u>
Idaho	7	7	0	6	7	0	27
Montana	14	3	3	0	7	6	33

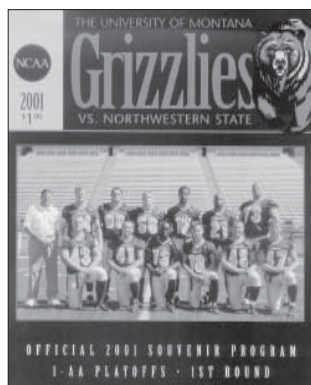
Team Stats	Idaho	Montana
First Downs	23	22
Rushing Att-Net Yards	57-192	26-115
Passing Yards	243	304
Att.-Comp.-Int.	31x23-0	37x21-0
Total Net Yards	88-435	63-419
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	3-2
Punts-Avg.	5-38.6	6-38.5
Penalties-Yards	13-100	6-65
Time of Poss.	37:24	22:36
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	11x22	2x12
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	2x2	1x1
Sacks by-Yards	3(-20)	4(-28)

Yohancy Humphery ended the game quick, scoring on a 25-yard sweep around left end for the winning points. Humphery's 4,074 career rushing yards rank him fifth in Big Sky Conference history.

It was a record day for Humphery, as he broke the career record for points (290) and single-season rushing touchdowns (17). He added to his single-season rushing yards list, finishing the regular-season with 1,658, as well as his career touchdown mark (48).

Molden ended 7<sup>th</sup> on UM's career receiving yards list with 2,300, while his 1,145 receiving yards this season are the second most in school history. Edwards threw for a career-high 304 yards.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 16-113/2. UI-Tenner: 38-170/2. Passing: UM-Edwards: 21x37-0=304/2. UI-Welsh: 21x28-0=227/2. Receiving: UM-Molden: 7-145/2; Humphery: 7-61/0. UI: Michael McCoy: 5-17/0. Defense: UM-Vince Huntsberger, 16 TT; Matt Steinau, 13 TT, 3 TLs, FF; Dan Orizotti: 12 TT; Tim Bush: 11 TTs, 2 sacks. UI-Brad Rice: 11 TT, TL.



## GAME 13 at Montana 28, Northwestern State (LA) 19 December 1, 2001

Washington Grizzly Stadium - 17,289  
Weather: 35 Degrees, Cloudy. Wind: 15-25, SW  
*First Round Game: NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs*

NSU-1st-14:01-Nathan Black, 73 pass from Craig Nall (Clint Sanford kick), 7-0 NSU  
NSU-2nd-0:35-Nall, 1 run (kick blocked by Calvin Coleman), 13-0 NSU  
UM-3rd-11:15-Yohance Humphery, 12 run (Chris Snyder kick), 13-7 NSU  
UM-3rd-6:20-T.J. Oelkers, 11 pass from Brandon Neill (Snyder kick), 14-13 UM  
UM-4th-12:04-Humphery, 44 pass from John Edwards (Snyder kick), 21-13 UM  
NSU-4th-8:38-Clint Roy, 35 run (pass failed-Nall), 21-19 UM  
UM-4th-2:23-Ciche Pitcher, fumble recovery in end zone (Snyder kick) 28-19 UM

**GAME NOTES:** In this tight contest the first and second halves were like two different games, but fortunately for Montana, the second half belonged to the Grizzlies, as they defeated a good Northwestern State Demons team to advance to a I-AA quarterfinal game for the sixth time.

For the first time at home this season, Montana trailed at halftime. The Demons' 13-0 lead at intermission looked almost insurmountable to the 17,289 Griz faithful, as UM was out-gained 230 to 137 in total yards and completed just five passes.

But, after a 38-yard kickoff return by freshman Jefferson Heidelbergberger, Montana started on the NSU 45-yard line, and eight plays later Yohance Humphery scored on a 12-yard run, and the Griz were finally on the board. Humphery's 120 rush yards was the 12th time he's reached the century mark this season and the 23rd in his career.

The Demons went three-and-out on their next possession, and a punt return of 37 yards by fresh

Quarter	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Score</u>
Northwestern St.	7	6	0	6	19
Montana	0	0	14	14	28

Team Stats	NW State	Montana
First Downs	21	16
Rushing Att-Net Yards	35-66	40-150
Passing Yards	339	186
Att.-Comp.-Int.	46x24-0	24x15-0
Total Net Yards	81-405	64-336
Fumbles-Lost	5-2	2-1
Punts-Avg.	9-40.1	8-39.4
Penalties-Yards	9-85	6-41
Time of Poss.	32:06	27:16
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	7x19	4x15
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	1x2	1x1
Sacks by-Yards	4(-20)	4(-37)

Levander Segars started UM on the NSU 39. This time it took five plays, as quarterback Brandon Neill connected with wide receiver T.J. Oelkers for an 11-yard scoring pass. Chris Snyder's PAT gave Montana a 14-13 edge, and the Griz never trailed again.

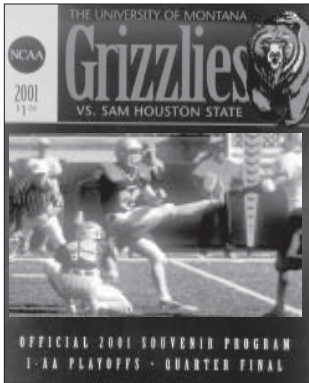
Montana scored its 21st unanswered point early in the fourth stanza when John Edwards hit Humphery on a 44-yard touchdown pass. Edwards had left the game in the first half after suffering an injury. The Demons cut the lead to 21-19 on a 35-yard touchdown run by Clint Roy.

Griz linebacker Matt Steinau forced a fumble after a catch by Fredd Harrison, and it was recovered by sophomore DE Ciche Pitcher in the end zone for a TD, giving Montana some breathing room. Pitcher had 9 tackles, four sacks, two forced fumbles, and the fumble recovery for a TD.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 23-120/1. NSU-Jeremy Lofton: 23-43/0; Roy: 3-41/1. Passing: UM-Edwards: 8x14-0=101/1; Neill: 7x10-0=85/1. NSU-Nall: 24x46-0=339/1. Receiving: UM-Oelkers: 5-57/1; Molden: 5-47/0; Humphery: 4-54/1. NSU-Black: 13-222/1. Defense: UM-Vince Huntsberger, 11 TT, TL, 2 PDs; Pitcher: 9 TT, 4 sacks, 2 FF, FR (TD); Matt Steinau, 9 TT, 1 TL, FF; Calvin Coleman: 8 TT, 3 PDs. NSU-Daryl Lacy: 8 TT, TL, FR.



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## GAME 14 at Montana 49, Sam Houston State 24 December 8, 2001

Washington Grizzly Stadium - 18,125  
Weather: 30 Degrees, Partly Cloudy. Wind: 8-10, S  
*Quarterfinal Game: NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs*

UM-1st-10:17-Yohance Humphery, 3 run (Chris Snyder kick), 7-0 UM  
SHSU-1st-5:33-Josh McCown, 8 run (Alex St. Peter kick), 7-7  
UM-1st-2:43-John Edwards, 16 run (Snyder kick), 14-7 UM  
UM-2nd-12:46-Etu Molden, 19 pass from T.J. Oelkers, (Snyder kick), 21-7 UM  
UM-2nd-6:42-Humphery, 4 run (Snyder kick), 28-7 UM  
SHSU-2nd-1:32-St. Peter, 29 field goal, 28-10 UM  
UM-2nd-0:20-Edwards, 2 run (Snyder kick), 35-10 UM  
SHSU-3rd-6:41-Jonathon Cooper, 8 pass from McCown, (St. Peter-kick failed), 35-16 UM  
UM-3rd-3:41-Johnnie Peeples, 25 interception return (Snyder kick), 42-16 UM  
UM-4th-13:33-Molden, 41 pass from Brandon Neill, (Snyder kick), 49-16 UM  
SHSU-4th-9:29-Corey Zeno, 56 pass from McCown, (pass: McCown to Maurice Harris), 49-24 UM

GAME NOTES: Griz quarterback John Edwards rebounded from a lackluster performance from a week earlier, accounted for 313 total yards and led his team to five touchdowns in the first six possessions of the game, as the Griz took a commanding 25-point halftime lead, and Montana went on to defeat the Sam Houston State Bearkats 49-24 in an NCAA I-AA quarterfinal game.

Edwards was on the money time-after-time and eluded relentless pressure from the Bearkats (10-3), co-winners (5-1) of the Southland Conference. By halftime, he had completed 16-of-19 passes for 270 yards, and he ran for 43 yards and two touchdowns.

"John Edwards played with a flair today and he took his team with him," Griz mentor Joe Glenn told the media after the game. "He showed up in a big way."

In the second half the Griz defense picked off a season-high five passes, including two each by senior strong safety Vince Huntsberger and junior cornerback Johnnie Peeples, while senior corner Calvin Coleman had the other theft. Peeples' 25-yard return of a Josh McCown pass with 3:41 to go in the third period gave Montana a lofty 33-point (49-16) lead.

Senior receiver Etu Molden had 8 catches for 138 yards and 2 TDs. His receiving scores came from senior receiver T.J. Oelkers and junior back-up QB Brandon Neill. Senior halfback Yohance Humphery was held to a season-low 39 yards.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 14-39/2; Brandon Malcom: 12-37/0; Edwards: 13-31/2. SHSU-Joe Rauls: 14-61/0. Passing: UM-Edwards: 19x25-0=278/0; Neill: 2x5-0=41/1; Oelkers: 1x1-0=19/1. SHSU-McCown: 30x50-4=344/2. Receiving: UM-Molden: 8-138/2; Rory Zikmund: 4-56/0; Humphery: 3-50/0; Oelkers: 3-26/0. SHSU-Cooper-9-117/1; Rauls: 5-57/0. Defense: UM-Matt Steinau, 9 TT; Vince Huntsberger, 7 TT, 2 Ints., 3 PDs; Trey Young: 7 TT, PD. SHSU-Keith Davis: 8 TT.

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Sam Houston State	7	3	6	8	24
Montana	14	21	7	7	49
Team Stats	Sam Houston		Montana		
First Downs	22		23		
Rushing Att-Net Yards	22-70		41-117		
Passing Yards	354		338		
Att.-Comp.-Int.	53x31-5		31x22-1		
Total Net Yards	75-424		72-455		
Fumbles-Lost	3-1		1-1		
Punts-Avg.	6-37.3		5-42.4		
Penalties-Yards	7-38		7-63		
Time of Poss.	29:29		30:31		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	4x13		7x15		
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	1x1		1x1		
Sacks by-Yards	4(-25)		3(-16)		

## GAME 15 at Montana 38, Northern Iowa 0 December 15, 2001

Washington Grizzly Stadium - 18,848  
Weather: 31 Degrees, Partly Sunny.  
*Semi-final Game: NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs*

UM-1st-9:03-Chris Snyder, 36 field goal, 3-0 UM  
UM-1st-6:45-John Edwards, 12 run (Snyder kick), 10-0 UM  
UM-1st-2:15-Edwards, 6 run (Snyder kick), 17-0 UM  
UM-2nd-12:54-T.J. Oelkers, 14 run (Snyder kick), 24-0 UM  
UM-2nd-6:21-Yohance Humphery, 8 run (Snyder kick), 31-0 UM  
UM-3rd-8:39-Humphery, 3 run (Snyder kick), 38-0 UM

GAME NOTES: Griz quarterback John Edwards had another outstanding game, as did the Griz defense, and senior halfback Yohance Humphery rebounded from a lackluster performance from a week earlier, as the Griz blitzed the visiting Northern Iowa Panthers 38-0.

It was the 13th straight win for Montana, which is making its second consecutive trip to the I-AA title game. It was just Montana's second shutout in 27 playoff games. (The Griz defeated Georgia Southern 45-0 in Missoula in a 1995 quarterfinal game).

Edwards, who rushed for 94 yards on nine carries in the first half, scored on touchdown runs of 12 and 6 yards in the first quarter, to give Montana a 17-0 lead.

The Griz roared to a 31-0 halftime lead on an 18-yard end-around scoring run by T.J. Oelkers and an 8-yard TD run by Humphery.

The game was marred by many UNI personal foul penalties. Panther star receiver Jake Soliday was ejected just before halftime after he punched Montana sophomore safety Dave DeCoite

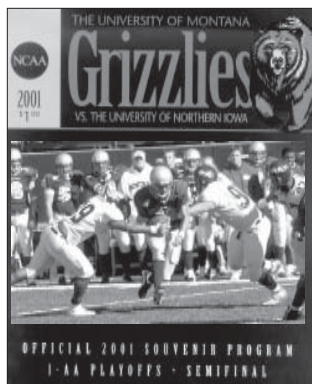
below the belt after an incomplete pass in the Grizzly end zone.

UNI starting junior quarterback Griff Jurgens injured a knee early in the second quarter and was replaced by freshman QB Tom Petrie.

Humphery gained 142 yards for his 13th 100-yard rushing game of the season. Last week Yo was held to a season-low 39 yards rushing in a quarterfinal win over Sam Houston State.

Montana rushed 48 times for 283 yards and 5 TDs. It was their second highest rushing total of the season, as they had 377 yards on 54 carries in a win over Weber State on Nov. 10.

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 22-142/2; Edwards: 13-111/2; Brandon Malcom: 10-22/0. UNI-Richard Carter: 13-57/0; Adam Bengel: 10-26/0. Passing: UM-Edwards: 8x14-0=65/0; Brandon Neill: 2x4-0=30/0. UNI-Tom Petrie: 10x21-0=178/0; Griff Jurgens: 2x3-1=1/0. Receiving: UM-Humphery: 4-35/0; Etu Molden: 3-10/0. UNI-Ryan Hannam: 4-22/0. Defense: UM-Matt Steinau, 10 TT, TL, FF; FR; Trey Young: 7 TT, TL; Cliche Pitcher: 6 TT, 2 TLs, 2 FF, 2 sacks. UNI-Adam Vogt: 12 TT, 3 TLs.



Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
N. Iowa	0	0	0	0	0
Montana	17	14	7	0	38
Team Stats	N. Iowa		Montana		
First Downs	13		23		
Rushing Att-Net Yards	34-70		48-283		
Passing Yards	179		95		
Att.-Comp.-Int.	24x12-1		18x10-0		
Total Net Yards	58-249		66-378		
Fumbles-Lost	3-1		1-0		
Punts-Avg.	5-41.0		2-49.0		
Penalties-Yards	5-58		5-26		
Time of Poss.	26:46		33:14		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	5x15		5x12		
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	0x1		0x1		
Sacks by-Yards	1(-7)		6(-28)		



# 2001 Season Review



**GAME 16**  
**Montana 13, Furman 6**  
 December 21, 2001  
 Finley Stadium, Chattanooga, Tenn. - 12,698  
 Weather: 54 Degrees. Wind: Calm.  
**I-AA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**

UM-2nd-6:27-Yohance Humphery, 2 run (Chris Snyder kick), 7-0 UM  
 UM-2nd-0:53-Snyder, 35 Field Goal, 10-0 UM  
 UM-4th-6:12-Snyder, 30 Field Goal, 13-0 UM  
 FU-4th-00-James Thomas, 54 pass from Billy Napier, 13-6 UM

Quarter	1	2	3	4	Score
Furman	0	0	0	6	6
Montana	0	10	0	3	13

Team Stats	Furman	Montana
First Downs	14	16
Rushing Att-Net Yards	39-121	43-173
Passing Yards	172	124
Att.-Comp.-Int.	26x10-2	28x18-0
Total Net Yards	65-293	71-297
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Punts-Avg.	7-38.7	6-40.7
Penalties-Yards	5-22	5-28
Time of Poss.	28:09	31:51
3 <sup>rd</sup> Down Cons.	3x16	3x16
4 <sup>th</sup> Down Cons.	3x3	1x2
Sacks by-Yards	2(-14)	2(-4)

Rushing: UM-Humphery: 30-142/1; John Edwards: 11-32/0. FU-Eric Emerson: 7-34/0; Louis Ivory: 12-33/0; Napier: 12-30/0. Passing: UM-Edwards: 18x28-0=124/0. FU-Napier: 10x26-2=172/1.  
 Receiving: UM-Etu Molden: 10-74/0. FU-Thomas: 4-75/1. Defense: UM-Vince Huntsberger: 10 TT, FR, Int., PB; Joel Robinson: 7 TT. FU-Will Bouton: 12 TT, 3 Tls, PD, sack; Shelvis Smith: 12 TT.

**GAME NOTES:** Senior halfback Yohance Humphery capped his illustrious career off with a 142-yard rushing effort on 30 carries and scored the Grizzlies' only touch-down as No. 1-ranked and top-seeded Montana captured its second I-AA championship with a 13-6 decision over No. 4 Furman (12-3).

It was Humphery's 14th 100-yard rushing game of the season.

Junior QB John Edwards was instrumental in UM's 16-play, 99-yard game-winning scoring march in the second quarter. Humphery gained 37 yards on seven carries on the drive, while Edwards picked up 22 yards on the ground and was 4-of-5 passing for 34 yards. Furman forced UM to attempt a field goal in the drive, but was called for an offside, and two plays later Humphery scored.

It was also another Herculean effort by UM's defense, which was just seconds away from registering the first shutout ever in this, the 24th I-AA title game. Just a week earlier the Griz had blanked visiting Northern Iowa 38-0 in a semi-final game.

This contest was like night-and-day compared to Montana's 22-20 nail-biting win in the 1995 championship game over host Marshall.

The Griz defense dominated the Paladins, forcing three turnovers, and held the Paladins to just 121 rushing yards, 124 under their season average.

Furman, which averaged 33.6 points a game, didn't score until the final play of the game, when junior quarterback Billy Napier threw a Hail Mary pass that was batted down by Griz senior safety Vince Huntsberger, and James Thomas grabbed the ball and raced along the right sideline for a meaningless TD.

It was the 14<sup>th</sup> straight win for the Griz, which have gone 28-3 and 15-0 in the Big Sky Conference the last two seasons, advancing to the I-AA championship game in 2000 and 2001.



Griz All-American guard Thatcher Szalay after the 13-6 win over Furman.