

UConn Huskies Win Paradise Jam

The Connecticut Huskies outscored Wisconsin 76-57 to claim the championship of the 2008 U.S. Virgin Islands Paradise Jam in convincing fashion. The Badgers started strong in the first half with solid outside shooting and managed to hold a 5 point lead until the Huskies' stifling defense forced turnovers and created fast break opportunities to help them take control of the game. Tournament MVP Hasheem Thabeet set a tournament record with 15 total blocked shots and a single-game record on Sunday against Miami with 7 swats. In the consolation games, Miami outscored San Diego 80-45 to claim third place, Southern Mississippi edged Iona 64-63 for 4th, and La Salle beat Valparaiso 75-70 for 7th place.

2008 tournament field: Boston College, DePaul, East Carolina, Northern Iowa, Purdue, Saint Joseph's, South Dakota State, Tennessee

The U.S. Virgin Islands Paradise Jam at University of the Virgin Islands is a 3-for-2 MTE tournament held annually in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. Games are played at the state-of-the-art Sports and Fitness Center on the U.V.I. campus. The 2009 field has been filled and only a few spots remain for the 2010 tournament.

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UConn Men celebrate winning the championship of the 2008 Paradise Jam.



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2008 CHAMPION: Connecticut
2009 FIELD: Boston College, DePaul, East Carolina, N. Iowa, Purdue, Saint Joseph's, South Dakota State, Tennessee
2010 FIELD: Alabama, Clemson, Iowa, Long Beach State, Old Dominion, Xavier; 2 Teams TBA



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Invitational: Utah State (host), Cal State Fullerton, Morehead State, Weber State
Tip-Off: Oregon (host), Colorado State, UC Davis, Winston Salem State
2010 FIELD: Hosts, participants needed

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2009 FIELD: **Classic:** New Mexico (host), Louisiana Tech, Nicholls State, Miami of Ohio
Invitational: Providence (host), Mercer, Bryant, Bucknell
Challenge: Wyoming (host), Hampton, Monmouth, Pepperdine
2010 FIELD: Hosts, participants needed



Athletes in Action

2009 FIELD: Washington (host), Belmont, Portland State, Wright State
2010 FIELD: Hosts, participants needed

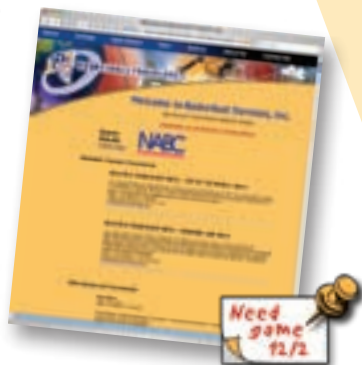


Duel in the Desert

2009 FIELD: Texas Tech (host), Oregon State, South Dakota, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi
2010 FIELD: Hosts, participants needed

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MISSOURI TOURS NIAGARA FALLS

The Missouri Tigers got a jump start on their season by taking a tour last September to Niagara Falls, Canada. Their 3-0 record against Canadian college programs set the tone for an extremely successful 2008-09 season to date. The team improved from their 16-16 record last season to their current 28-6 record and #9 ranking as of press-time. They were picked to finish 7th in the pre-season Big 12 rankings, but ended up winning the Big 12 Championship.

After the last Canadian game, Head Coach Mike Anderson commented, "This was a beneficial trip for us. We saw our young guys get a lot of experience against some different types of teams. We tried to rotate players in and get everyone a chance to play some extended minutes and that's what this tour is all about."

In addition to playing their three games against Canadian competition, the Tigers also were able to enjoy the "Maid of the Mist" boat tour of Niagara Falls.



The Missouri Tigers stay dry in their rain ponchos during their visit to Niagara Falls.

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