

2016 Rowe Bowl Contest

Back for its 23rd year, it's the 2016 Rowe Bowl Contest. The deadline is noon (Central), Friday, December 23. There is a limit of five entries per person. Please forward or copy this e-mail to anyone you think would be interested in participating (spouses, friends, clients, etc.). Just a reminder that my software limits the number of games to 32 so I'm missing a couple of games. I apologize to those of you who are big fans of the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl. You can find past results and the standings as the games are completed. My website is: <http://www.markrowecontest.com/RoweBowlIndex.htm>.

Last year it didn't matter but this year it does. We need at least an 8 team playoff (I still say 32). I think OU was playing pretty good at the end of the year. As much as I hate to say it, I think Penn St. deserved a shot. We all know it doesn't matter as Alabama is better than everyone but that's beside the point. The question is what happens first – an expanded playoff or a UT bowl game. We'll see.

Here is your chance to once again prove your football knowledge (or lack thereof). The rules are simple. Each bowl game is listed along with the point spread. Go to the entry form at my website (see above) and pick the team you think will cover the spread for each game. The spread indicates how much one team is supposed to beat another. For example, Old Dominion is favored by 3.5 points over Eastern Michigan. If you think Old Dominion will win by 4 points or more then pick Old Dominion. If you think Old Dominion will win by 3 or less points or not win at all then pick Eastern Michigan. If there isn't a point spread, it means you only have to pick the winner. The tiebreaker will be based on the combined score of the championship game. If you think the score will be 37 to 27 then enter 64 (37 + 27) in the tie breaker box.

Make sure you click the box next to "Email Me a Copy" so you receive a copy of your picks. If you run into any problems, let me know.