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**Draft Winds...**The 2016 NFL Draft will be held April 28th-30th. Round one will commence on April 28th with rounds 2-3 scheduled for April 29th and rounds 4-7 concluding the player selection meeting on April 30th. The NFL Network and ESPN will provide television coverage. For the second straight year the Roosevelt University's Auditorium Theatre will host the event in the heart of downtown Chicago. The NFL will bring new experiences and more interactive attractions to Chicago when Grant Park transforms into Draft Town. Spanning 20 football fields, Draft Town is a free admission, three-day outdoor football festival for families and fans of all ages.

**Draft Board...**The enclosed draft board on pages 2-3 would be considered the front board. Players are stacked by position and by round. Players on the board in the draft room would horizontally represent their value with another position. Due to space limitations, the position columns may overlap by rounds. IE: some linebackers with 5<sup>th</sup> round grades are listed in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> rounds.

**Special Note...**We now have available a mobile platform for your smartphone, making it easier to access and study the Ourlads' depth charts.

## **Intriguing Prospects 2016...**

by Jon Cooper

Predicting what will happen on draft day is an inexact science as there are so many variables as to what motivates a team to select a player. That's one of the reasons Ourlads does the mock draft according to how we see it rather than predict. Injuries and off-field issues always play a role and teams see those things differently. Players with issues like that make for intriguing prospects. As part of this year's intriguing prospects we will again look at some of the "tweener" type players who in past years would have a tough time finding a home at a position. As the game continually evolves, players like this play in various packages NFL teams use on offense and defense. The term hybrid is used more and more to describe a player that fits this description. For example, a player described as a cross between a linebacker and safety may play as a box safety and take on linebacker responsibility in certain fronts and coverage. NFL coaches like to have their best personnel on the field for a given situation. On offense this can be dictated by a wide variety of things including down and distance, strength of opponent, time left in a half, and score of the game. On defense it is most often reactionary. In other words, defensive coordinators substitute according to the personnel the offense has on the field. Situational pass rushers, nickel backs, and dime backs are some of the situational subs that defenses use. In some cases the nickel is a starting corner that slides inside to cover a slot in the nickel package. NFL teams are now looking at this position as just as important as the starting corner as it is not uncommon for the nickel to be on the field 60-70% of the time and up. The fullback position is becoming an afterthought, but it still has a role in the NFL and teams have a hard time finding someone who can do more than block. The H-back or move tight end is still in use and some teams use the fullback in this role. In college many teams use the hybrid tight end/fullback/slot they call the super back. Teams are always looking for the two-way tight end that can block and stretch the field as a receiver. They are hard to find. In the multiple tight end sets, having at least one solid blocker and a great receiver works well. Receiving skills usually are coveted most. Teams are continuing to successfully convert college defensive ends to 3-4 outside linebackers. As a result, the 3-4 rush linebackers have been bigger and stronger players in recent years. There is some sacrifice in athletic ability and coverage, but the advantage in edge rush ability justifies this for most 3-4 teams. At quarterback the trend to the spread type-athletic quarterback continues in college football but this year some of the top prospects have solid NFL pocket style passer tools. **Carson Wentz (North Dakota State)** and **Jared Goff (California)** are generally considered the top two. The question is, how NFL game-ready are they? Wentz played at the FCS level and led North Dakota State to a pair of national championships. He has NFL style skills and size showing the ability to read coverage and make all the

throws. Wentz has good mobility and can make plays with his feet. He has experience in a pro-friendly offense even though it was wide open. He made a good impression at the Senior Bowl showing he can play at a higher level. He will still lock on one receiver at times and needs to improve his accuracy on extended routes. Has the tools but will need development time. Goff has a more slender build than ideal but has been durable in an outstanding career at California. He played in a spread offense but interestingly enough was strictly a passer, not your read-option runner or scrambler. He fits an NFL offense as he has great anticipation on his throws with a quick compact release. He is very accurate and puts the ball where receivers can catch and run. Is mobile enough in the pocket and can sense the rush. He has the tools but will take some time to adapt to an NFL offense. **Paxton Lynch (Memphis)** didn't always play against top FBS competition but he has very good NFL size at 244 pounds along with very good athletic ability. Even at 6'05 he can move and is mobile in the pocket with the ability to take off and run. His throwing motion and footwork are a little awkward. He has good arm strength but will hold onto the ball too long at times. He has improved but is still somewhat of a developing talent. Lynch could develop into the best of the group, but will need a lot of work in an NFL system. Just the opposite size-wise is **Vernon Adams Jr. (Oregon)**. At 5'10, 200 he does not fit the size mold of an NFL quarterback at all. That said he may be the exception to the rule. He is a playmaker and excelled in his 15 snaps in the East-West Shrine game. He makes the short to intermediate throws with consistent accuracy and a quick release and makes the reads with good decisions. He has good enough arm strength and makes plays with his feet. Extremely quick and elusive in the pocket he senses the rush and knows when to take off. Good deep ball accuracy. Versus TCU before his concussion, he lased in an 18-yard come-back from the opposite hash, hitting his receiver between the numbers. NFL scouts are concerned he will get balls knocked down, but that has not happened in his college career as he has good timing and instincts to avoid the rush. He may not justify a draft choice to most teams, but if not drafted he should be a sought-after college free agent. Fullbacks don't usually get drafted high and this year is no exception, but there are some prospects. **Dan Vitale (Northwestern)** has good workout numbers and was a quality super back in college. He projects as a fullback in the NFL and shows good receiving skills out of the backfield. He is not a short-necked blocker. His athletic ability should project well on special teams. **Glenn Gronkowski (Kansas State)** is the younger brother of Patriots' tight end Rob Gronkowski. He is unique for a modern fullback in that he can be a factor carrying the ball. Is a solid blocker and receiver as well with a good shot to be the first fullback taken. At tight end, **Nick Vannett (Ohio State)** was not used much as a receiver but shows good potential in his role. At 6'06, 257 he is a big target. A solid in-line blocker who could develop into that two-way tight end everyone wants. He will have some work to do to master an NFL offense but he has a lot of upside. **Hunter Henry (Arkansas)** is not a polished blocker at this stage but he has exceptional hands and understands how to get open. At this point he is a receiver-first tight end but he can be an integral part of an NFL pass offense. The need for athleticism at linebacker had the Arizona Cardinals moving former safety Deone Bucannon to inside linebacker this past season. There may be more of those conversions in the future. **Su'a Cravens (Southern Cal)** may project as a Will linebacker in the NFL. He displays very good agility and instincts. He played the hybrid nickel/linebacker position at Southern Cal and was outstanding in under-coverage. Undersized for the position but has the instincts and athletic ability needed. He is a fluid athlete with outstanding chase ability. The ex-Trojan will find a role in the right defense. **Miles Killebrew (Southern Utah)** is a big athletic safety who played in the box and as a nickel safety with linebacker responsibilities. He plays like a linebacker with outstanding instincts in run support. Some teams may project him at linebacker. Has outstanding chase ability and is always around the ball. Someone will find a spot for him. Defensive back **Jalen Mills (LSU)** has experience at corner, safety and nickel back. He is a tough

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## Ourlads Offensive Draft Board

QB	RB/FB	WR	TE	OT	OG/OC
1st C. Wentz ND State J. Goff California P. Lynch Memphis	1st E. Elliott Ohio St.	1st J. Doctson TCU L. Treadwell Mississ. C. Coleman Baylor W. Fuller Not. Dame	1st	1st R. Stanley Not. Dame L. Tunsil Mississippi J. Conklin Michigan St. T. Decker Ohio State J. Spriggs Indiana	1st
2nd D. Prescott MS State	2nd D. Henry Alabama	2nd S. Shepard Oklahoma B. Miller Ohio State M. Thomas Ohio St. M. Mitchell Georgia C. Peake Clemson T. Boyd Pittsburgh	2nd H. Henry Arkansas N. Vannett Ohio State	2nd	2nd J. Garnett Stanford C. Whitehair Kansas St.
3rd K. Hogan Stanford C. Jones Ohio State	3rd D. Booker Utah K. Drake Alabama P. Perkins UCLA A. Collins Arkansas J. Howard Indiana	3rd P. Cooper S. Carol. C. Core Mississippi D. Cajuste Stanford K. Garrett Tulsa	3rd A. Hooper Stanford	3rd L. Clark Texas Tech J. Hawkins LSU A. Lewis Nebraska S. Coleman Auburn	3rd G. Glasgow Michigan R. Kelly Alabama N. Martin Not. Dame J. Thuney NC State C. McGovern Missouri C. Westerman AZ State J. Dahl Washington St.
4th C. Cook Michigan St.	4th J. Williams Arkansas CJ Prorise Not. Dame J. Ferguson Illinois K. Dixon LA Tech	4th M. North Tennessee L. Carroo Rutgers D. Robinson Florida C. Moore Cincinnati R. Higgins Colo. St. K. Lawler California T. Davis California	4th D. Morgan UTSA B. Braunecker Harvard J. Adams S. Carolina	4th G. Ifedi Texas A&M T. Johnstone Oregon	4th S. Drango Baylor D. Kirkland Arkansas P. Ehinger Cincinnati V. Alexander LSU D. Greene San Diego St.
5th V. Adams Jr. Oregon J. Driskel LA Tech C. Hackenberg Penn St.	5th T. Carson TX A&M D. Lasco California	5th K. Listenbee TCU D. Wilson MS State J. Payton UCLA J. Marshall Ohio St. T. Sharpe Massach. B. Marshall Oregon C. Brown Not. Dame	5th S. Scheu Vanderbilt D. Griswold Ark. State	5th K. Murphy Stanford J. Haeg ND State F. Cooper Mississippi	5th M. Tuerk USC L. Turner N. Carolina J. Brendel UCLA A. Redmond UCLA J. Allen Michigan State
6th B. Allen Arkansas N. Sudfeld Indiana C. Kessler USC B. Doughty W. Kent. J. Brissett NC State	6th D. Washington TX Tech D. Watt Wisconsin G. Gronkowski Kansas St. D. Vitale N'western	6th R. Louis Auburn D. Lucien Ariz. State DJ Foster Ariz. State C. Jones Arizona A. Burbridge Mich. St. G. Allison Illinois T. Duarte UCLA H. Sharp Utah State A. Russell Toledo	6th K. Cartwright Colo. St. B. Sandland Montana St. T. Higbee W. Kentucky B. Williams E. Carolina	6th B. Shell S. Carolina H. Vaitai TCU J. Theus Georgia C. Benenoch UCLA S. Nembot Colorado C. Toner Harvard W. Beavers W. Mich. A. Young Auburn K. Lumpkin Rutgers	6th I. Seumalo Oregon State S. Tretola Arkansas A. Blythe Iowa S. Aiono Utah D. Clark Michigan State T. Karras Illinois R. Odhiambo Boise State
7th J. Rudock Michigan J. Coker Alabama J. Woodrum Liberty	7th T. Ervin San Jose St. K. Marshall Georgia D. Johnson Marshall W. Smallwood W. VA P. Barber Auburn K. Taylor Florida A. Green TCU K. Reynolds Navy	7th B. Treggs California B. Addison Oregon D. Braverman W. Mich. D. Anthrop Purdue P. McRoberts SE Missouri St. J. Lee Baylor N. Spruce Colorado R. Scott Miami M. Thomas S. Miss.	7th D. Grinnage NC State H. Krieger-Coble Iowa	7th	7th E. Boehm Missouri L. Maiava Arizona A. Huettel Bowl. Green M. Henry Boise State V. Teofilo Arizona State M. Skura Duke R. Kugler Purdue
			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p><b>**Note - late addition, Moritz Boehringer, WR, Germany, 6044, 227, 4.46/40, 39/VJ, 10-11/BJ, 4.16/SS, 6.69/3 cone. Developmental wide receiver.</b></p> </div>		

## Ourlads Defensive Draft Board

DT/NT	DE	IB/OB	CB	FS/SS	PK/PT
1st A. Robinson Alabama J. Reed Alabama S. Rankins Louisville K. Clark UCLA R. Nkemdiche M'ssippi	1st D. Buckner Oregon J. Bosa Ohio State S. Lawson Clemson E. Ogbah Okla. State J. Bullard Florida K. Dodd Clemson	1st M. Jack UCLA D. Lee Ohio State R. Ragland Alabama L. Floyd Georgia N. Spence E. Kentucky	1st J. Ramsey Florida St. V. Hargreaves Florida E. Apple Ohio State M. Alexander Clemson A. Burns Miami W. Jackson Houston	1st V. Bell Ohio State	1st
2nd C. Jones MS State A. Billings Baylor V. Butler LA Tech A. Washington Ohio State	2nd C. Tapper Oklahoma B. Kaufusi BYU C. Nassib Penn State	2nd J. Perry Ohio State K. Fackrell Utah State	2nd K. Fuller VA Tech X. Howard Baylor Z. Sanchez Oklahoma	2nd S. Davis Maryland	2nd
3rd J. Hargrave SC State A. Johnson Penn St. S. Day Notre Dame	3rd S. Oakman Baylor S. Calhoun Mich. St.	3rd N. Vigil Utah State D. Jones LSU J. Smith Notre Dame J. Jenkins Georgia S. Cravens USC	3rd E. Murray Minnesota	3rd TJ Green Clemson	3rd R. Aguayo Florida State
4th M. Collins Nebraska L. Thomas Mich. St. M. Ioannidis Temple W. Henry Michigan H. Ridgeway Texas	4th D. Lowry N'western J. Ward Illinois A. Zettel Penn State J. Fanaika Utah R. Blair Appal. State M. Judon Gr. Valley St.	4th K. Brothers Missouri T. Matakevich Temple B. Martinez Stanford A. Morrison Florida S. Wright Arizona  J. Schobert Wisconsin K. Correa Boise State	4th C. Jones Alabama K. Russell Not. Dame D. Hall Northern IA J. Burris NC State J. Jones Auburn M. Canady Virginia K. Crawley Colorado J. Bradberry Samford	4th J. Cash Duke K. Joseph W. Virginia T. Powell Ohio State J. Simmons Bost. Coll. J. Mills LSU KJ Dillon W. Virginia	4th
5th	5th R. Okwara Not. Dame	5th S. Weatherly Vanderbilt D. Alexander Oklahoma T. Feeney Washington BJ Goodson Clemson J. Norris Utah E. Striker Oklahoma D. Campbell Minnesota J. Forrest Kentucky J. Cowser S. Utah	5th A. Brown Purdue B. Boddy-Calhoun Minnesota T. Young Temple K. Peterson Okla. St. L. Sims S. Utah	5th M. Killebrew S. Utah K. Neal Florida J. Kearse Clemson D. Houston-Carson Wm & Mary D. Thompson Boise St.	5th K. Fairbairn UCLA
6th A. Gotsis GA Tech C. Johnson Kentucky C. Wujciak Bost. Coll. J. Heath Mich. State L. Maddy VA Tech D. Dean Virginia A. Balducci Oregon V. Valentine Nebraska T. Coley FL Atlantic	6th	6th T. Holmes Montana D. Nicholas VA Tech A. Williams GA South. Y. Ngakoue Maryland V. Ochi Stony Brook  J. Walker Oregon T. Smith FL State	6th C. LeBlanc FL Atlan. D. Worley W. VA T. Calhoun MS State M. Jordan MO West. DJ White GA Tech H. Miller SE Louisiana	6th D. Bush Miami	6th W. Monday Duke
7th Q. Jefferson Maryland	7th A. McCalister Florida R. Thompson Syracuse	7th J. Burgess Louisville B. Brown MS State  C. French Oregon A. Wallace UCLA N. Kwiatkoski W. VA	7th	7th K. Byard Mid. TN St. T. Carter Utah M. Caputo Wisconsin C. Fejedelem Illinois E. Shumate Not. Dame A. Williamson Vander. D. Kindred TCU T. Elston Mississippi	7th T. Bertolet TX A&M R. Martin Duke D. Kaser TX A&M B. LeCompte ND State T. Hackett Utah

**Ourlads Draft Choices by Team**

<b>Arizona</b>		
29 Kevin Dodd	DE	Clems.
92 Joe Dahl	OG	Wash. St.
128Justin Burriss	CB	NC St.
167Jalen Marshall	WR	Ohio St.
170BJ Goodson	LB	Clem.
205Jacobys Brissett	QB	NC St.
<b>Atlanta</b>		
17 Sheldon Rankins	DT	L'ville
50 Sean Davis	S	Maryland
81 Connor McGovern	OG	Missouri
115Antonio Morrison	LB	Florida
238Glenn Gronkowski	FB	KS State
<b>Baltimore</b>		
6 Eli Apple	CB	Ohio St.
36 Joshua Perry	LB	Ohio St.
70 Joe Thuney	OG	NC St.
104Demarcus Robinson	WR	Florida
130Dean Lowry	DE	N'western
132Ben Braunecker	TE	Harvard
134Cardale Jones	QB	Ohio St.
182Brian Poole	CB	Florida
209Keith Marshall	RB	Georgia
<b>Buffalo</b>		
19 Myles Jack	LB	UCLA
49 Chris Jones	DT	MS St.
80 Keyarris Garrett	WR	Tulsa
117Vadal Alexander	OG	LSU
139Connor Cook	QB	Mich. St.
156Miles Killebrew	S	S. Utah
192Kivon Cartwright	TE	CO St.
218Dadi Nicholas	LB	VA Tech
<b>Carolina</b>		
30 Kenny Clark	DT	UCLA
62 Eric Murray	CB	Minn.
93 Leonte Carroo	WR	Rutgers
129Darell Greene	OG	S. Diego St.
168Jared Norris	LB	Utah
252Joel Heath	DT	Mich. St.
<b>Chicago</b>		
11 Mackensie Alexander	CB	Clem.
41 Robert Nkemdiche	DT	Mississ.
72 Devonte Booker	RB	Utah
106Spencer Drango	OG	Baylor
127David Morgan II	TE	UTSA
150Dominique Alexander	LB	Okla.
185Will Redmond	CB	MS St.
206Ricardo Louis	WR	Auburn
230Jake Coker	QB	Alab.
<b>Cincinnati</b>		
24 Vonn Bell	S	Ohio St.
55 Pharoh Cooper	WR	S. Carol.
87 Christian Westerman	OG	AZ St.
122Lawrence Thomas	DT	Mich. St.
161Daniel Lasco	RB	Cal.
199Josh Forrest	LB	Kentucky
245Hunter Sharp	WR	Utah St.
<b>Cleveland</b>		
2 Carson Wentz	QB	ND St.
32 Corey Coleman	WR	Baylor
65 Nick Vigil	IB	Utah St.
99 Germain Ifedi	OT	TX A&M
138Anthony Zettel	DE	Penn. St.
141Robert Aguayo	PK	FL State
172Darian Thompson	S	Boise St.
173Jake Brendel	OC	UCLA
176Fahn Cooper	OT	Mississ.
223Ryan Malleck	TE	VA Tech
<b>Dallas</b>		
4 Joey Bosa	DE	Ohio St.
34 Will Fuller	WR	Not. Dame
67 KeiVarae Russell	CB	Not. Dame
101Kevin Hogan	QB	Stanford
135Joe Schobert	LB	Wisc.
189Romeo Okwara	DE	Not. Dame
212Brandon Shell	OT	S. Carol.
216Wendell Smallwood	RB	W. VA
217Derek Lee	TE	Bowl. Gr.

<b>Denver</b>		
31 Paxton Lynch	QB	Memphis
63 Ryan Kelly	OC	Alab.
94 Sheldon Day	DT	Not. Dame
98 Jonathan Williams	RB	Arka.
136K.J. Dillon	S	W. VA
144Steven Scheu	TE	Van'bilt
219Antwione Williams	LB	GA South.
228Aaron Burbridge	WR	Mich. St.
235DeAndre Houston-Carson		
	S Wm & Mary	
253Alonzo Russell	WR	Toledo
<b>Detroit</b>		
16 Jarran Reed	DT	Alab.
46 Cody Whitehair	OG	KS State
95 Marquez North	WR	Tenn.
111Blake Martinez	LB	Stanford
151Maurice Canady	CB	Virginia
169Jeff Driskel	QB	LA Tech
191Briean Boddy-Calhoun	CB	Minn.
202Bryce Williams	TE	E. Carol.
210Devon Johnson	RB	Marshall
236Cory Johnson	DT	Kentucky
<b>Green Bay</b>		
27 Leonard Floyd	LB	Georgia
57 Nick Vannett	TE	Ohio St.
88 Javon Hargrave	DT	SC State
125Kenny Lawler	WR	Cal.
131Tyvis Powell	S	Ohio St.
137Kyle Murphy	OT	Stanford
163Vernon Adams Jr.	QB	Oregon
200James Cowser	LB	S. Utah
248Aaron Green	RB	TCU
<b>Houston</b>		
22 Josh Doctson	WR	TCU
52 Jerald Hawkins	OT	LSU
85 Paul Perkins	RB	UCLA
119Jonathan Jones	CB	Auburn
159Hassan Ridgeway	DT	Texas
166Travis Feeney	LB	Wash.
195Cody Kessler	QB	USC
<b>Indianapolis</b>		
18 Taylor Decker	OT	Ohio St.
48 Kyler Fackrell	LB	Utah St.
82 Kenyan Drake	RB	Alab.
116Justin Simmons	S	Bost. Coll.
155Darion Griswold	TE	Ark. St.
239Nile Lawrence-Stample	DT	FL St.
<b>Jacksonville</b>		
5 Vernon Hargreaves	CB	Florida
38 Josh Garnett	OG	Stanford
69 Bronson Kaufusi	DE	BYU
103Tyler Matakevich	LB	Temple
146De'Runnya Wilson	WR	MS St.
181Jayron Kearse	S	Clem.
201Jake McGee	TE	Florida
226Derek Watt	FB	Wisc.
<b>Kansas City</b>		
28 Noah Spence	LB	E. KY
59 TJ Green	S	Clem.
126Trevor Davis	WR	Cal.
162Jihad Ward	DT	Illinois
165Joe Haeg	OT	ND St.
203Brandon Doughty	QB	W. KY
249Keenan Reynolds	RB	Navy
<b>Los Angeles</b>		
15 Jared Goff	QB	Cal.
43 Malcolm Mitchell	WR	Georgia
45 Henry Hunter	TE	Ark.
76 Jaylon Smith	LB	Not. Dame
110Karl Joseph	S	W. VA
190Jack Allen	OC	Mich. St.

<b>Miami</b>		
13 Ezekiel Elliott	RB	Ohio St.
42 Kendall Fuller	CB	VA Tech
73 Andrew Billings	DT	Baylor
107Denver Kirkland	OG	Ark.
147Stephen Weatherly	LB	Van'bilt
186Anthony Brown	CB	Purdue
227Cayleb Jones	WR	Arizona
231Christian French	LB	Oregon
<b>Minnesota</b>		
23 Laquon Treadwell	WR	Mississ.
54 Charles Tapper	DE	Okla.
86 Su'a Cravens	LB	USC
121Jalen Mills	S	LSU
160Alex Redmond	OG	UCLA
180Byron Marshall	WR	Oregon
240Dan Vitale	FB	N'western
244Thomas Duarte	WR	UCLA
<b>New England</b>		
60 Alex Lewis	OT	Neb.
61 Cody Core	WR	Mississ.
91 Shilique Calhoun	DE	Mich. St.
96 Jordan Howard	RB	Indiana
196Tavon Young	CB	Temple
204Tyronne Holmes	LB	Mont.
208David Grinnage	TE	NC St.
214Isaac Seumalo	OG	OR St.
221Austin Blythe	OC	Iowa
243Donovan Clark	OG	Mich. St.
250Terrance Smith	LB	FL State
<b>New Orleans</b>		
12 A'Shawn Robinson	DT	Alab.
47 Tyler Boyd	WR	P'burgh
78 Shon Coleman	OT	Auburn
112Josh Ferguson	RB	Illinois
152Ken Crawley	CB	Colo.
237Yannick Ngakoue	LB	Maryland
<b>NY Giants</b>		
10 Laremy Tunsil	OT	Mississ.
40 Michael Thomas	WR	Ohio St.
71 Deion Jones	LB	LSU
109Jeremy Cash	S	Duke
149Willie Henry	DT	Mich.
184Chris Brown	WR	Not. Dame
<b>NY Jets</b>		
20 Darron Lee	LB	Ohio St.
51 Le'Raven Clark	OT	TX Tech
83 Adolphus Washington	DT	Ohio St.
118Chris Moore	WR	Cinn.
157Halapoulivaati Vaitai	OT	TCU
241Victor Ochi	LB	St. Brook
<b>Oakland</b>		
14 Jack Conklin	OT	Mich. St.
44 Xavien Howard	CB	Baylor
75 Carl Nassib	DE	Penn. St.
114Kenneth Dixon	RB	LA Tech
143Kolby Listenbee	WR	TCU
154Joe Walker	LB	Oregon
194Nate Sudfeld	QB	Indiana
234Sebastian Tretola	OG	Ark.
<b>Philadelphia</b>		
8 Ronnie Stanley	OT	Not. Dame
77 Jordan Jenkins	LB	Georgia
79 Vernon Butler	DT	LA Tech
100CJ Proisie	RB	Not. Dame
153James Bradbury	CB	Samford
164Jordan Payton	WR	UCLA
188Matt Judon	DE	G. Val. St.
233Adam Gotsis	DT	GA Tech
251Jatavis Brown	LB	Akron

<b>Pittsburgh</b>		
25 Reggie Ragland	LB	Alab.
58 Zack Sanchez	CB	Okla.
89 Austin Johnson	DT	Penn. St.
123Tyler Johnstone	OT	Oregon
220 DJ Foster	WR	AZ St.
229 Kelvin Taylor	RB	Florida
246 Matt Weiser	TE	Buffalo
<b>San Diego</b>		
3 DeForest Buckner	DE	Oregon
35 William Jackson III	CB	Hous.
66 Nick Martin	OC	Not. Dame
102Austin Hooper	TE	Stanford
175Christian Hackenberg		
	QB	Penn. St.
179Tajae Sharpe	WR	Mass.
198De'vondre Campbell	LB	Minn.
224Peyton Barber	RB	Auburn
<b>San Francisco</b>		
7 Emmanuel Ogbah	DE	OK St.
37 Sterling Shepard	WR	Okla.
68 Dak Prescott	QB	MS St.
105Deiondre Hall	CB	N. Iowa
133Jerrell Adams		TE S. Carol.
142 Landon Turner	OG	N. Carol.
145Kamalei Correa	LB	Boise St.
174Jason Fanaika	DE	Utah
178Ronald Blair	DE	Appal. St.
207Tyler Ervin	RB	S. Jose St.
211 Mike Rose	DE	NC St.
213 Devin Lucien	WR	AZ St.
<b>Seattle</b>		
26 Jonathan Bullard	DE	Florida
56 Graham Glasgow	OC	Mich.
90 Alex Collins	RB	Ark.
97 Kentrell Brothers	LB	Missouri
124Rashard Higgins	WR	CO St.
171Keanu Neal	S	Florida
215Henry Krieger-Coble		
	TE	Iowa
225Jake Rudock	QB	Mich.
247Connor Wujciak	DT	Bost. Coll.
<b>Tampa Bay</b>		
9 Shaq Lawson	DE	Clem.
39 Braxton Miller	WR	Ohio St.
74 Cyrus Jones	CB	Alab.
108Parker Ehinger	OG	Cinn.
148Tra Carson	RB	TX A&M
183Eric Striker	LB	Okla.
197Beau Sandland	TE	Mont. St.
<b>Tennessee</b>		
1 Jalen Ramsey	CB	FL St.
33 Jason Spriggs	OT	Indiana
64 Devon Cajuste	WR	Stanford
113Maliek Collins	DT	Neb.
140Matt Ioannidis	DT	Temple
177DeAndre Washington		
	RB	TX Tech
193Brandon Allen	QB	Ark.
222Kyle Carter	TE	Penn. St.
<b>Washington</b>		
21 Artie Burns	CB	Miami
53 Derrick Henry	RB	Alab.
84 Shawn Oakman	DE	Baylor
120Scooby Wright	LB	Ariz.
158Max Tuerk	OC	USC
187Kevon Seymour	CB	USC
232Geronimo Allison	WR	Illinois
242John Theus	OT	Georgia

athletic player with good range and agility. He could be drafted as a nickel back first with the ability to slide to corner or safety depending on the team. He is not a high round draft pick but can be a valuable addition due to his versatility. Linebacker **Jaylon Smith (Notre Dame)** was thought to be a sure first-round pick prior to his unfortunate knee injury in the Fiesta Bowl. He is an instinctive explosive player who could play in any scheme at a variety of linebacker spots. How NFL teams see his recovery will determine his draft status. **Myles Jack (UCLA)** could be a top ten pick and is the consensus top linebacker in this draft. He also suffered a knee injury and had surgery. It was expected he would be ready for the post-season but did not work out at the Combine. In a recent pro-day workout he answered the injury questions and should be drafted high. He can play anywhere in any scheme at linebacker due to his instincts, toughness and agility. He can run and chase and will not come off the field on defense. Should be an impact player. **Darron Lee (Ohio State)** is somewhat undersized for an outside linebacker at 6006, 232 but has the outstanding instincts and change of direction needed to play the position. He was converted from a quarterback and defensive back at Ohio State. His speed, agility and quickness propelled him into one of the top linebackers in the country by the time he was a red-shirt sophomore. Has some inconsistency in technique and is not a great take-on guy but he has elite athletic ability. He fits well as a Will linebacker in a 4-3 at this point. **Noah Spence (Eastern Kentucky)** played primarily with his hand in the dirt as a defensive end and projects as 3-4 outside linebacker. He is a classic "tweener" as he is too small at 6024, 251 for defensive end. He has outstanding edge rush ability and demonstrates the athletic ability if not the flat out speed to make the transition. As a result of off-field issues he transferred from Ohio State. Teams will look at Spence as a risk-reward prospect. **Kamalei Correa (Boise State)** played both outside linebacker and defensive end at Boise State. He lacks the size and strength to play defensive end and may not be athletic enough to play outside linebacker. He does show good timed speed but has some holes as a linebacker. Has not shown coverage aptitude and is somewhat mechanical in reactions. He is a solid blitzer and is explosive coming off the edge. Raw as a linebacker but teams

will covet his pass rush ability and someone will like his upside. **Leonard Floyd (Georgia)** is a unique prospect at 6055, 244. He is thin and angular looking more like a small forward in basketball. He plays with outstanding agility and good short space redirection for a taller player. A playmaker who can run and chase. He is not the best take-on guy at this point but he is a solid pass rusher with good upside. He also demonstrates good coverage skills in both man and zone. Needs some development but he could play outside linebacker in a variety of fronts. First-year starter **Deion Jones (LSU)** might be considered a sleeper due to his experience and 6007, 222 frame. That is not the case because he was such a playmaker. He plays bigger and tougher than his stature. He shows explosive take-on ability using his hands and turns his quickness to power. Attacks bigger blockers in-line and can blow up the inside run. He is a fast twitch change of direction player who can chase. Has outstanding coverage tools. He is a little raw due to experience and his size will still scare some off, but he is a player. Projects most likely as a Will but he has the tools to be an every down linebacker and will excel on special teams. Defensive end **Emmanuel Ogbah (Oklahoma State)** had an outstanding Combine and some project him as an outside linebacker. At 6042, 273 he could play either spot. An explosive pass rusher he definitely has upside as he has a unique blend of quickness and power. Needs some technique work and more consistency. He has good agility but is inconsistent playing the run on the edge. His upside and production as a pass rusher will get him drafted very high. Defensive tackle **Robert Nkemdiche (Mississippi)** is a frustrating player because he has outstanding physical tools and flashes big play ability. He was not productive this past season and only held his own. Inconsistent at best with technique as he lacks pass rush moves and ability to use his hands to get separation. He flashes power but does not show good functional strength. He may not have the instincts to play defense as he struggles to read blocks and at times is easily neutralized. He is better as a one gap attacker. Has also had some off field issues. He will have to develop and show he has the "want to" to do what it takes to make it in the NFL. He could go high based on potential, but many teams will stay away.

A big thanks to **Bill Connelly**, author of **Study Hall: College Football, its Stats and its Stories** for sharing his research with Ourlads' subscribers. Listed below are 30 frequently targeted players eligible for the 2016 draft. Who had the best/worst catch rates of the bunch? Yards per catch? Target rates (% of your team's passing targeting you)? **Key:** T-targets, C-catches, Yds-yards, C/R-catch rate, Y/C-yards per catch, Y/T-yards per target, T/R-target rate, T#-teams' most frequent target.

Player	Offense	T	C	Yds	C/R	Y/C	Y/T	T/R	T#
Tajae Sharpe	Massachusetts	176	111	1319	63.1%	11.9	7.5	37.4%	1
Keyarris Garrett	Tulsa	159	96	1588	60.4%	16.5	10	33.7%	1
Aaron Burbridge	Michigan State	146	85	1258	58.2%	14.8	8.6	34.1%	1
Daniel Braverman	Western Michigan	142	109	1371	76.8%	12.6	9.7	36.1%	1
Geronimo Allison	Illinois	129	65	882	50.4%	13.6	6.8	25.9%	1
Tyler Boyd	Pittsburgh	126	91	926	72.2%	10.2	7.3	38.9%	1
Jordan Payton	UCLA	124	78	1106	62.9%	14.2	8.9	25.8%	1
Nelson Spruce	Colorado	123	90	1043	73.2%	11.6	8.5	27.6%	1
Laquon Treadwell	Mississippi	122	83	1165	68.0%	14	9.5	26.2%	1
Corey Coleman	Baylor	121	74	1363	61.2%	18.4	11.3	32.4%	1
Sterling Shepard	Oklahoma	117	86	1288	73.5%	15	11	28.1%	1
Mike Thomas	Southern Miss	112	71	1391	63.4%	19.6	12.4	22.2%	1
D.J. Foster	Arizona State	109	59	584	54.1%	9.9	5.4	21.1%	1
Hunter Sharp	Utah State	109	71	827	65.1%	11.6	7.6	29.0%	1
Pharoh Cooper	South Carolina	107	66	977	61.7%	14.8	9.1	32.4%	1
Josh Doctson	TCU	107	79	1327	73.8%	16.8	12.4	21.7%	1
Rashard Higgins	Colorado State	106	75	1062	70.8%	14.2	10	28.7%	1
Devin Lucien	Arizona State	99	66	1074	66.7%	16.3	10.8	19.2%	2
De'Runya Wilson	Mississippi State	98	60	918	61.2%	15.3	9.4	20.1%	2
Bralon Addison	Oregon	98	63	804	64.3%	12.8	8.2	27.2%	1
Will Fuller	Notre Dame	95	62	1258	65.3%	20.3	13.2	25.9%	1
Cayleb Jones	Arizona	93	55	908	59.1%	16.5	9.8	21.5%	1
Malcolm Mitchell	Georgia	92	58	865	63.0%	14.9	9.4	29.8%	1
Thomas Duarte	UCLA	89	53	872	59.6%	16.5	9.8	18.5%	2
Kenny Lawler	California	85	52	658	61.2%	12.7	7.7	16.1%	1
Rashawn Scott	Miami	85	52	695	61.2%	13.4	8.2	19.5%	1
Michael Thomas	Ohio State	84	56	781	66.7%	13.9	9.3	27.5%	1
Ricardo Louis	Auburn	83	46	716	55.4%	15.6	8.6	28.9%	1
Charone Peake	Clemson	81	51	726	63.0%	14.2	9	16.2%	2
Danny Anthrop	Purdue	81	57	450	70.4%	7.9	5.6	17.3%	2

**OURLADS' Annual LADDIE AWARDS**

The LADDIES have become a regular part of our Draft coverage. We enjoy them. It's fun. Based on our discussion with subscribers, most enjoy them as well. These awards are the subjective result of a poll among "our lads" and are for your enjoyment. And the 2016 Awards go to:

**Quarterbacks**

Cream of the Crop: **Carson Wentz** (North Dakota State)  
 Arm Strength: **Paxton Lynch** (Memphis)  
 Accuracy: **Jared Goff** (California)  
 Touch: **Jared Goff** (California)  
 Mobility: **Dak Prescott** (Mississippi State), **Vernon Adams Jr.** (Oregon)  
 Underappreciated: **Dak Prescott** (Mississippi State)  
 Combine King: **Carson Wentz** (North Dakota State)  
 Best All-Star Bowl Performance: **Vernon Adams Jr.** (Oregon)-Shrine Game  
 Free Agent Find: **Jake Rudock** (Michigan)

**Running Backs**

Cream of the Crop: **Ezekiel Elliott** (Ohio State)  
 Fastest: **Keith Marshall** (Georgia), 4.33/40  
 Hands: **Josh Ferguson** (Illinois)  
 Blocker: **Derek Watt** (Wisconsin)  
 Moves: **Alex Collins** (Arkansas)  
 Power: **Derrick Henry** (Alabama)  
 Toughest: **Ezekiel Elliott** (Ohio State)  
 Underappreciated: **Devontae Booker** (Utah)  
 Return Man: **Kenyan Drake** (Alabama)  
 Combine King: **Keith Marshall** (Georgia)  
 Best All-Star Performance: **Daniel Lasco** (California)-Shrine Game  
 Free Agent Find: **Derek Watt** (Wisconsin), fullback

**Wide Receivers**

Cream of the Crop: **Josh Doctson** (TCU), **Laquon Treadwell** (Mississippi)  
 Hands: **Josh Doctson** (TCU), **Sterling Shepard** (Oklahoma)  
 Fastest: **Will Fuller** (Notre Dame), 4.34/40  
 Routes: **Sterling Shepard** (Oklahoma)  
 Blocker: **Pharoh Cooper** (South Carolina)  
 Run After Catch: **Laquon Treadwell** (Mississippi)  
 Return Man: **Jalin Marshall** (Ohio State)  
 Leaper: **Josh Doctson** (TCU), **Sterling Shepard** (Oklahoma), 41/VJ  
 Underappreciated: **Keyarris Garrett** (Tulsa)  
 Combine King: **Josh Doctson** (TCU)  
 Best All-Star Bowl Performance: **Danny Anthrop** (Purdue), Shrine Game  
 Free Agent Find: **Daniel Braverman** (Western Michigan)

**Tight Ends**

Cream of the Crop: **Hunter Henry** (Arkansas)  
 Hands: **Hunter Henry** (Arkansas)  
 Blocker: **David Morgan II** (Texas-San Antonio)  
 Fastest: **Jerell Adams** (South Carolina), 4.64/40  
 Strongest: **David Morgan II** (Texas-San Antonio), 29/BP  
 Underappreciated: **Nick Vannett** (Ohio State)  
 Combine King: **Ben Braunecker** (Harvard)  
 Best All-Star Bowl Performance: **Nick Vannett** (Ohio State)-Senior Bowl  
 Free Agent Find: **Steven Scheu** (Vanderbilt), **Darion Griswold** (Arkansas State)

**Offensive Line**

Cream of the Crop: **Ronnie Stanley** (Notre Dame)  
 Feet: **Laremy Tunsil** (Mississippi)  
 Pass Blocker: **Ronnie Stanley** (Notre Dame)  
 Run Blocker: **Ronnie Stanley** (Notre Dame)  
 Strongest: **Christian Westerman** (Arizona State), 34/BP  
 Toughest: **Taylor Decker** (Ohio State)  
 Underappreciated: **Alex Lewis** (Nebraska)  
 Combine King: **Jason Spriggs** (Indiana)  
 Best All-Star Bowl Performance: **Graham Glasgow** (Michigan)-Shrine Game & Senior Bowl  
 Free Agent Find: **Marcus Henry** (Boise State)

**Defensive Line**

Cream of the Crop: **DeForest Buckner** (Oregon)  
 Run Stopper: **DeForest Buckner** (Oregon)  
 Pass Rusher: **Joey Bosa** (Ohio State)  
 Fastest: **Charles Tapper** (Oklahoma), 4.59/40  
 Strongest: **Chris Mays** (Georgia), 33/BP  
 Toughest: **Sheldon Rankins** (Louisville)  
 Underappreciated: **Chris Jones** (Mississippi State)  
 Combine King: **Robert Nkemdiche** (Mississippi)  
 Best All-Star Bowl Performance: **Sheldon Day** (Notre Dame), Senior Bowl  
 Free Agent Find: **Trevon Coley** (Florida Atlantic)

**Linebackers**

Cream of the Crop: **Myles Jack** (UCLA) IB, **Jaylon Smith** (Notre Dame) OB  
 Run Defender: **Kentrell Brothers** (Missouri) IB, **Jaylon Smith**, (Notre Dame) OB  
 Pass Coverage: **Su'a Cravens** (Southern Cal)  
 Pass Rusher: **Noah Spence** (Eastern Kentucky)  
 Fastest: **Travis Feeney** (Washington), 4.47/40  
 Strongest: **BJ Goodson** (Clemson), 30/BP  
 Toughest: **Jaylon Smith** (Notre Dame)  
 Underappreciated: **Nick Vigil** (Utah State)  
 Combine King: **Travis Feeney** (Washington)  
 Best All-Star Bowl Performance: **Tyler Matakevich** (Temple), Senior Bowl  
 Free Agent Find: **Joe Walker** (Oregon)

**Defensive Backs**

Cream of the Crop: **Jalen Ramsey** (Florida State)  
 Coverage: **Vernon Hargreaves** (Florida)  
 Toughest: **Miles Killebrew** (Southern Utah)  
 Fastest: **Jonathan Jones** (Auburn), 4.33/40  
 Playmaker: **Jalen Ramsey** (Florida State)  
 Return Man: **Cyrus Jones** (Alabama)  
 Leaper: **Jalen Ramsey** (Florida State), 41.5/VJ  
 Underappreciated: **Kevin Byard** (Middle Tennessee State)  
 Combine King: **Jalen Ramsey** (Florida State), CB, **Justin Simmons** (Boston College) S  
 Best All-Star Bowl Performance: **Mike Caputo** (Wisconsin)-Shrine Game  
 Free Agent Find: **Clayton Fejedelem** (Illinois), **Frankie Williams** (Purdue) CB

**Place Kickers**

Cream of the Crop: **Robert Aguayo** (Florida State)  
 Free Agent Find: **Conrad Ukropina** (Stanford)

**Punters**

Cream of the Crop: **Will Monday** (Duke)  
 Free Agent Find: **Ben LeCompte** (North Dakota State)

**Special Teams**

Best Long Snapper: **Jimmy Landes** (Baylor)