THE CAPITAL ONE ORANGE BOWL HOSTS CFP SEMIFINAL

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For the second time in four years, the Capital One Orange Bowl will play host to a College Football Playoff Semifinal. The 2018 College Football Playoff Semifinal at the Capital One Orange Bowl will be played on Dec. 29 at Hard Rock Stadium. The game will feature either the No. 1 team in the country vs. No. 4, or No. 2 vs. No. 3, as seeded by the College Football Playoff Selection Committee.

The exact pairing and game time (either 4 p.m. or 8 p.m.) will be announced on Dec. 2, when the Selection Committee announces its final rankings and matchups. The other playoff semifinal will be hosted by the Goodyear Cotton Bowl.

The Capital One Orange Bowl last hosted a Playoff Semifinal in December 2015 when No. 1 ranked Clemson rallied in the second half to overcome a 17-16 halftime deficit and defeat No. 4 ranked Oklahoma 37-17. Clemson went on to the CFP National Championship, where it fell to No. 2 ranked Alabama, 45-40, in a game that went down to the wire.

When the College Football Playoff was formed, a 12-year rotation for Semifinals was announced, with the Capital One Orange Bowl hosting a Playoff Semifinal in 2015, 2018, 2021 and 2024. In the years when it does not host a Semifinal, the Capital One Orange Bowl features the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) champion—or highest ranked non-playoff ACC team—against the highest ranked non-playoff, non-champion from the Big Ten, Southeastern Conference (SEC) or Notre Dame.
On Wednesday, July 11, 2018, the Orange Bowl Committee and Palm Beach County broke ground at Glades Pioneer Park in Belle Glade, Fl., on a $3 million renovation of the football stadium and field. The new field will be called Orange Bowl Field at Glades Pioneer Park.

Renovations will include a synthetic turf field and maintenance, an electronic scoreboard, an entry monument, fencing, walkways and signage. Glades Pioneer Park serves as the playing site for several teams from the Glades Youth Football League, a current member of the Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance presented by Metro by T-Mobile.

This is the Orange Bowl’s fifth legacy gift to the South Florida Community and the first in Palm Beach County. When the project is completed, Orange Bowl Legacy Gift projects will have provided a combined total with partner support of nearly $16 million of improvements toward the beautification of the South Florida community and recreational park activities.

The Orange Bowl first unveiled the Legacy Gift initiative in 2008-09 in honor of the organization’s 75th anniversary, coinciding with hosting the 2009 BCS National Championship. In January 2011, the Orange Bowl, along with the City of Miami, cut the ribbon on Orange Bowl Field at Moore Park. In 2013, the Orange Bowl, in conjunction with the City of Fort Lauderdale, renovated Joseph C. Carter Park in Fort Lauderdale. In 2014, the Orange Bowl, and Miami-Dade County, unveiled the new Orange Bowl Field at Ives Estates Park. In 2016, the Orange Bowl, in conjunction with the City of Homestead, unveiled the Orange Bowl Field at Harris Field Park.
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FLORIDA AND FSU RETURN FOR BASKETBALL CLASSIC

The Metro by T-Mobile Orange Bowl Basketball Classic Celebrates Its 25th Year

The 25th annual Metro by T-Mobile Orange Bowl Basketball Classic will feature perennial NCAA Tournament teams Florida and Florida State taking on two highly regarded mid-majors.

The Classic will take place on December 22, 2018 at the BB&T Center in Sunrise, Fla. with the Florida State-Saint Louis game at 2:30 p.m. and the Florida-Florida Gulf Coast contest at 5 p.m. Both games will be televised nationally on FS2 and statewide in Florida on Fox Sports Sun.

This year Florida State is back to make its 10th appearance (7-2 record) in the Classic while the Florida Gators will be making their 20th appearance in the Classic and have a 16-3 all-time record. In the opener, representing the Atlantic Coast Conference, the Florida State Seminoles will face the Saint Louis Billikens, the preseason pick to win the Atlantic 10 Conference. In the second game, SEC’s Florida Gators will host the Florida Gulf Coast Eagles from the Atlantic Sun Conference.

Ticket prices for the doubleheader begin at $20. To order tickets and for further ticket information, please call or text the Orange Bowl ticket sales office at (305) 341-4701 or email tickets@orangebowl.org.

With assistance from title sponsor Metro by T-Mobile and associate sponsors American Airlines, BB&T Center, FOX Sports Florida, Greater Fort Lauderdale CVB, Panera Bread, Sunshine Health and Toyota, the Orange Bowl Basketball Classic will be the only Division I basketball played in Broward County again this season.
PLAYING HEALTHY ALWAYS WINS

The Orange Bowl Creative Art Contest Promotes Health and Wellness Initiatives

For the 10th consecutive year, the Orange Bowl, in partnership with associate sponsors Bank of America, Florida Blue and Metro by T-Mobile, will feature its annual Creative Art Contest. The program, which focuses on health and wellness initiatives, affords all K-12 students in Miami-Dade and Broward County schools the opportunity to win an abundance of prizes by submitting artwork.

Students are encouraged to submit artwork that includes visual representations of South Florida, college football, healthy lifestyles and OBIE (the Orange Bowl’s official mascot). The theme for this year’s Orange Bowl Creative Art Contest is “Playing Healthy Always Wins.”

The Orange Bowl recently embarked on a school tour for the Creative Art Contest, where students have the opportunity to play games, meet and interact with OBIE, learn more details about the contest and become educated on living a healthy lifestyle. The school tour will end on November 16th and all art entries are due on November 16 by 5 p.m. ET. The winners of the contest will be contacted and announced by November 30th.

To schedule a school visit as part of the Creative Art Contest and for more details about the contest, all teachers and principals are encouraged to contact Erika Lorenzo at (305) 341-4746 or elorenzo@orangebowl.org.

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Sean Pittman was installed as the Orange Bowl Committee’s 80th President and Chair in January 2018 at the Riviera Country Club in Coral Gables. Pittman has been a member of the Orange Bowl Committee (OBC) since 2005 and succeeds Immediate Past President & Chair Don Slesnick.

Since taking over as President, Pittman has overseen the Committee's continued commitment to the South Florida community, including a full slate of events, highlighted by the College Football Playoff Semifinal at the Capital One Orange Bowl on December 29, 2018. Year-round, the Orange Bowl invests nearly $1 million back into the South Florida community, funding a variety of community events, academic programs, scholarships and youth sports programs and initiatives on an annual basis.

Additionally, under Pittman’s leadership, the Orange Bowl broke ground this summer on its fifth legacy gift park renovation at Glades Pioneer Park in Belle Glade. Upon its completion, the Orange Bowl will have provided a combined total of nearly $16 million of park improvements, in conjunction with five South Florida municipalities. "After admiring the work of the Orange Bowl Committee since 1993, it's humbling and surreal to know that I have now been entrusted to lead this prestigious organization," said Pittman. "In this 85th year of the Committee, we will execute a Playoff Semifinal to be remembered for years to come, while elevating the member experience for all of those who volunteer their time and energy to the work of the Committee. We will also continue to support the South Florida community, as they have supported us for so long. I'm honored to know that my colleagues have elected me to serve as their President, and in return it is my mission to make them proud."

Pittman is the Senior Partner of Pittman Law Group, P.L., which specializes in the areas of government, administrative and corporate law. Pittman represents a diverse client list of individuals, local governments, small businesses and Fortune 500 companies. As a local government lawyer, he represents Florida counties and municipalities before the Florida Cabinet, Florida legislature and other tribunals. As an administrative lawyer, Pittman advises clients on matters before the Department of Administrative hearings and various State of Florida boards and agencies. Pittman also provides counsel to local government clients on issues related to Public Finance law.

Florida Trend Magazine cited Pittman as a “Must Know Contact”, and he has been named one of the “Top 100 most influential people in Florida politics” by Influence Magazine. The Tallahassee Democrat also named Pittman one of the “Top twenty-five most influential people in Tallahassee.” Pittman is the founder and chairman of the Big Bend Minority Chamber of Commerce, past Chairman of the Children’s Home Society of Florida, former Trustee of the Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, and a current member of the Board of Directors for Hancock Whitney Bank.

Sean was awarded Leadership Florida's 2015 Distinguished Member Award and the 2016 Heman Sweatt Award by the National Bar Association, for demonstrating community leadership and concern for human and civil rights. In 2017, Sean was inducted into the Tallahassee Barristers Association's Legal Hall of Fame, recognizing over two decades of his work as a Florida attorney. He was also presented the Servant Leadership Award by the Greater Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce and the 2014 Founders Award from the Big Bend Minority Chamber of Commerce.

Sean is a co-host of the popular television talk show “The Usual Suspects” during which he analyzes and provides commentary on the latest happenings in state and national politics.

Sean and his wife Dr. Audra Pittman, reside in Tallahassee where they are raising three daughters, Paloma, Pilar and Phoebe.

José C. Romano moves into Pittman’s former role as President-Elect and Chair-Elect and will serve as the 81st President and Chair during the 2019-2020 year. Jeff E. Rubin will serve as the First Vice-Chair and will become President and Chair in 2020-2021. Eric L. Poms enters his 13th year as the Chief Executive Officer and marks his 25th year with the Orange Bowl Committee.
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OBYFA CELEBRATES 20 YEARS
The Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance Celebrates 20 years of Service to Youth in South Florida

2018 marks the 20th season of the Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance (OBYFA) presented by Metro by T-Mobile. The program has grown to annually impact approximately 13,000 youth football players and cheerleaders reaching from Lake Okeechobee to Key West through the OBYFA’s eight leagues. Since the start of the Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance (OBYFA) in 1999, the Orange Bowl has invested more than $7 million in youth sports.

In addition to the OBYFA, the Orange Bowl directly supports locally based festivals and events that provide participatory opportunities to youth from all over the world.

Youth sports is one of the four pillars of Orange Bowl Community Outreach, which also includes fundraising and community events, academic programs and scholarships, and legacy gifts. For 85 years, the Orange Bowl has been one of South Florida’s leading civic organizations, promoting championship sporting events, related premier entertainment and other year-round activities to inspire youth, engage our community and enhance the South Florida economy.

Each Saturday during the season, the OBYFA’s Park of the Week program recognizes select youth football parks across South Florida as part of its continuous community engagement and support. At each stop, OBIE, the Orange Bowl mascot, is joined by Orange Bowl Committee members, ambassadors and staff in distributing promotional items and discounts from Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance sponsors and presenting each park with a commemorative plaque.

This year’s Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance is presented by Metro by T-Mobile and supported by associate sponsors American Airlines, CiCis Pizza, Clutch Insurance, Comcast, Dave & Buster’s, Marathon Petroleum Company, Miami Orthopedics & Sports Medicine Institute, Sunshine Health, Nike, Toyota and Xenith continue to positively impact the South Florida community.

For more information about the Orange Bowl Committee and the Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance presented by Metro by T-Mobile please visit orangebowl.org.
The annual Orange Bowl Food & Wine Celebration presented by Florida Blue, took place on Friday, May 11, 2018 at the Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center where more than $100,000 was donated to Make-A-Wish Southern Florida, Special Olympics Florida and the Orange Bowl Leadership Academy. The evening was hosted by Lisa Petrillo, the Entertainment and Lifestyle reporter for WFOR, CBS4 in Miami.

During a special presentation, Orange Bowl and Make-A-Wish Southern Florida surprised 7-year old “Wish Kid” Andrew Harker by bringing him on stage to grant his wish to go on a Disney Cruise. Andrew was also surprised on stage by Obie, the Orange Bowl's mascot, with a giant tub of ice cream and a gift package.

The 2018 Keith Tribble Community Service Excellence Award was presented to Charles (Charlie) DeLucca Jr., for his extraordinary efforts to promote and enhance social conditions that continue to significantly impact the South Florida Community. Additionally, during an on-stage presentation, the Orange Bowl donated $25,000 to Special Olympics Florida.

Over 30 of South Florida's top restaurants and chefs served up their best bites and pairings for those in attendance while also engaging in some friendly competition.

Toro Toro took home the award for best restaurant in Miami Dade, NYY Steak won the award for best restaurant in Broward, and Miami Beach Edition Hotel-Matador Room By Jean-Georges Vongerichten & Market By Jean-Georges Vongerichten was awarded for best overall restaurant and best dessert. Patrons in attendance also voted for their favorite restaurants in the “People's Choice Award” which went to Ms. Cheezious for best bite and to SOBE Promos for best dessert.

Jeff McInnis and Janine Booth, Chef/Partners at Stiltsville Fish Bar in Miami Beach, served as celebrity chefs for the annual event.

The consistent and continued success of the Orange Bowl Food and Wine Celebration can be credited in part to Florida Blue, the presenting sponsor of the event. Florida Blue was joined by the following associate sponsors:

Blue Moon, CBS4, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Coca-Cola Beverages Florida, Dave & Buster’s, Deloitte, Delta Business Solutions, Florida Power & Light Company, Florida Prepaid College Plans, Gold Coast Beverage Distributors, L.L.C., Greater Fort Lauderdale CVB, Hard Rock Stadium, Pernod-Ricard USA Wines & Champagnes, The Cayman Islands Department of Tourism, Toyota, Wizard Creations and Woodford Reserve.
The eighth annual Orange Bowl Paddle Championship presented by Windhaven Insurance, took place Saturday, April 14, 2018 at the Miami Marine Stadium Flexpark located at 3601 Rickenbacker Causeway on Key Biscayne.

Paddle Boarders competed in the Long Race, a challenging 8.13-mile course around the historic Virginia Key. For the men, Eri Tenorio claimed first, Josh Riccio claimed second, and Sam English claimed third. For the women, Seychelle took first, Kimberley Barnes took second, and Karen Kennedy took third. In the 50+ division of the Long Race, Scott Baste and Mary Ann Boyer took home first place.

Along with the Long Race, there was a featured Short Race where paddle boarders paddled around a 3-mile loop in protected waters inside Marine Stadium Basin on Virginia Key. Additionally, there was a Novice Race that welcomed all first-time and novice paddlers for a fun 1-mile race on calm water as well as a Corporate Challenge for four-person corporate teams featuring an “inflate the board” challenge. The event also included a relay race with a short paddle course and a finish on land. Each corporate team received its own paddle board to use during the race and to keep.

All registered racers received an event t-shirt, event medal, continental breakfast and lunch as well as beverage coupons for on-site food trucks. In addition, attendees were able watch the entire Corporate, Short and Novice races while cheering on the Long Race for their launch and sprint to the finish line.

The Orange Bowl Paddle Championship, presented by Windhaven Insurance, is a charity-driven event with a focus on children and the community. All funds raised by the event went to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Miami to fund mentorship activities in the area.

Windhaven Insurance was joined by the following associate sponsors: Adventure Sports, Baptist Health South Florida, Eventstar, Greater Miami CVB, Pacifico, Panera Bread, TD Bank and Wizard Creations.
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Upcoming Orange Bowl Events

**Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance Cheer Championships presented by Metro by T-Mobile**

*Nova Southeastern University // November 11, 2018*

More than 1,200 cheerleaders from more than 90 teams across South Florida will compete in the day-long event at the 2018 Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance Cheer Championships presented by Metro by T-Mobile.

**Metro by T-Mobile Orange Bowl Basketball Classic**

*BB&T Center // December 22, 2018*

In the midst of the football excitement, the Metro by T-Mobile Orange Bowl Basketball Classic brings first-rate college basketball to South Florida as the only Division I basketball to be played in Broward County. This action-packed doubleheader will feature the Florida Gators as they meet the Atlantic Sun Conference’s Florida Gulf Coast Eagles and the Florida State Seminoles taking on the Saint Louis Billikens.

**Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta Series**

*Coral Reef Yacht Club // December 26-30, 2018*

The Orange Bowl International Youth Regatta brings world-class sailing talent to South Florida in a five-day event that has become the largest international youth regatta in the U.S. and South America for sailors ages eight-18. Featuring more than 700 sailors from 20 countries, past regatta participants have achieved notoriety in the sailing world. Current U.S. Junior Women’s single-handed champions Louisa Nordstrom and Sophia Reineke are past competitors in the regatta.

**Orange Bowl International Tennis Championships**

*Frank Veltri Tennis Center // December 3-9, 2018*

The Orange Bowl International Tennis Championships are the longest-running international junior tennis tournament in the world. An International Tennis Federation Group A Series Tournament, the competition features more than 1,000 players from 80 countries. Past participants include Roger Federer, Caroline Wozniacki, Chris Evert, Anna Kournikova, Andre Agassi, Elena Dementieva and John McEnroe.

**College Football Playoff Semifinal at the Capital One Orange Bowl**

*Hard Rock Stadium // December 29, 2018*

The College Football Playoff Semifinal at the Capital One Orange Bowl will host two of the top four teams in college football. The Orange Bowl is one of two semifinal games this year and will be held on December 29, 2018. In addition to the gridiron showdown, fans will experience world-class entertainment during the renowned Capital One Halftime Show.
The sixth annual Orange Bowl Family Fun & Fit Day presented by Sunshine Health was held on Saturday, Aug. 4 at the Betty T. Ferguson Recreational Complex in Miami Gardens.

The event, which was free and open to the public, featured activities for the entire family including food trucks, music, games, raffle giveaways, bounce houses, caricaturists and face painting for children. Kids in attendance received free haircuts and free backpacks filled with school supplies so they were prepared for the school year.

“We were thrilled to host the sixth annual Orange Bowl Family Fun & Fit Day and make a positive impact in our community,” said Orange Bowl Committee President and Chair Sean Pittman. “This event affords us the opportunity to provide families and children in South Florida the essentials to be successful in school and to live a healthier, more active life.”

The event, previously known as the Orange Bowl Health and Wellness Fair, featured more than 60 vendors who provided a variety of products, services and essentials for families in attendance.

“The Orange Bowl Family Fun and Fit Day gave hundreds of South Florida youth and families a head start on the school year,” said Chris Paterson, Community Affairs Officer at Centene Corporation. “Receiving new back-to-school supplies boosts kids’ confidence and makes them look forward to returning to school. It also eases the financial burden that the back-to-school season places on families, and gives them a great reason to spend one of the last weekends of summer break outdoors having fun together.”

The Orange Bowl Family Fun & Fit Day was presented by Sunshine Health. Sunshine Health was joined by associate sponsors: AutoNation, Clutch Insurance, Florida Prepaid College Plans, Hard Rock Stadium, USA Football, Wells Fargo and media partner CBS4 as well as community sponsor, The City of Miami Gardens.
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