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## The Hit List

#	NAME	POS	YR	HGT
1	Trevin Harris	F	Sr.	6'5"
2	T.J. Wallace	G	Fr.	6'2
3	Sama Taku	G	Sr.	6'2
4	Aaron Hendricks	G	Fr.	6-0
5	Spencer Llewellyn	G	Jr.	6'3
11	Gabriel Aguirre	F	Jr.	6'9
12	Andrew Bock	G	Sr.	6'2
13	Khalil Kelley	F	Sr.	6'8
15	Aaron Short	F	Jr.	6'3
20	Ross Rivera	F	Sr.	6'7
22	Ray Bowles	G	Fr.	6'5
24	David Taylor	F	Fr.	6'3
30	Thomas Peters	F	Fr.	6'6
33	Tony Gill	F	Sr.	6'8
42	Tim Thomas	C	Sr.	6'10

Head Coach: Ron Verlin

## Pacific Tigers set All Time NCAA Record for Most Boring Team

In an announcement by the NCAA, University of the Pacific Basketball team set an all time record for "Most Boring Team in the Nation." "The level of absolute lack of anything interesting about this squad is historic," the report said, citing an all time high score of 914 on the NCAA's monotometer test. "The results were especially shocking, because we've never seen a score above 57."

"We're actually pretty interesting and exciting," said Ross Rivera, a Sr. forward whose team bio says he enjoys video games and watching television. "I mean, we bring a lot to the table. Who can say that they like both video games AND watching tv? That's called being unique."

"Oh ya, we're totally interesting and exciting," agreed Aaron Hendricks, freshman guard whose bio dropped the interest in television, and video games in general, settling instead for a passion for ONLY NBA 2K13. "Basketball. Uh. Ya. Basketball... basketball basketball basketball... I need a friend. Please be my friend?"

"My team's a bunch of boring losers. We deserve every inch of this award," said Thomas Peters. "I mean, look at me! I'm into reading and watching Jeopardy! Of course we deserve the award. This sucks."

Among many naysayers, no shouts of dissent were louder than that of center Tim Thomas who listed - as his top hobby, mind you - disc golf.

"No, I'm serious. It's thrilling," wailed Thomas. "Have you ever watched a frisbee sail into a metal basket from kinda far away. It can take one's breath. Wait. Why are you walking away? LOOK AT ME! I'M INTERESTING! PLEASE DON'T LEAVE!"

Head Coach Ron Verlin, twin brother of Idaho Head Coach Don Verlin, and whose parents foresaw his incredibly boring future and didn't even try to get original with naming their children, argued in favor of his players. "Most boring? Are you kidding me? Sama like sports! And listens to music! And Andrew Bock says that in his free time he loves playing basketball!" At this point, Verlin began crying quietly, and appeared to check the room to make sure his players weren't there to listen. "You have to save me from these guys," he pleaded. "I'm ready to just give up. I can't talk to them about anything. Llewellyn is the most interesting guy here, and its only because he likes ping pong! Seriously. I'll give you anything. Just get me out."

At this point, reporters on scene say that Verlin lost all verbal abilities, broke down into sobs, began emptying the content of his wallet to various people in an effort to bribe them into staying. Eventually he was forcibly removed from the premises after refusing to exit the car of a local TV reporter, insisting that they were "best friends" and that the reporter was Verlin's "savior from the madness."

## In All Honesty: A game preview

At this point in the season the Tigers have a 6-1 record on a schedule that has the players jogging but not really sprinting. They've had one shot at a big opponent in a 23-point loss to #14 Oregon but leaves much else to the imagination. Scoring seems decently distributed with four guys at double figures and two leading scorers (Gill and Taku) at a cool 13.3 ppg. breaking the 90-point mark only once all season this squad seems to produce more on possession and defense than anything else.

Where the Aggies have the main edge among many others: size. Pacific boasts only one player at the 6-10 mark (Tim Thomas) and he only wagers about 10 minutes a game. Pair that with an Aggies squad fresh off some BYU bloodboil and starting a strong December homestand and you should easily expect a blowout in this one. Aggies by 20 (and that's being nice).

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## "THE BANT" - The "University of the Pacific sounds ridiculous" edition

See, here's the thing. This game is against The University of the Pacific. It's located in Stockton, Calif. Outside of catering to the academic careers of Jamie Lee Curtis, Chris Isaak and a couple Playboy playmates (one of them got a Masters degree there, we can't make this up), this place really lacks excitement, and for the most part the player names are a strong testament to that.

Have no fear, though. We managed to dig enough to forage together a few dingers. So if it's I'm-positive-the-only-root-for-that-name-is-one-of-the-moons-of-Jupiter style tomfoolery you're into, hold on tight for the BANT - Pacific Edition!

### HONORABLE MENTIONS -

**Gabriel Aguirre** (mainly because it's so much gosh darn fun to say. Like Francisco, but more syllables and less Will Ferrell's voice), **Andrew Bock** (BOCK! HA! The first time he hits the bench feel free to join us in screaming "I'LL BE BOCK!" in your best Schwarzenegger voice followed by a hearty laugh), **T.J. Wallace** (because, let's be honest, all T.J.'s are dicks), **David Taylor** (this one may confuse you, but you'll agree with me including it when you learn he's from FRIGGIN' GERMANY! So many

questions...)

### BANT INDUCTEES -

**Spencer Llewellyn** - I'll get this out of the way right now: it's pronounced "Lou Ellen." We know. And yes, this means we're just calling him "Ellen" the entire game. This was flooring to our staff, as we ran with the assumption that by law after the first double L county officials charged in the event of repeats. Not fair at all to spell a name in a method that induced migraines seemingly unaccosted. Also, his sister's name is Tia. Feel free to ask him where secret twin Tamara is and you'll gain our full respect. Also tweet us with what show we just referenced we'll we'll throw some Aggie Ice Cream for you on top of it.

**Sama Taku** - We can't lie, we're jealous of this guy. I mean, has anyone been born with a more perfect name for a bruising polynesian wrestling tag team? We can hear it in our minds, "Now entering the ring, from Neiafu, Tonga, at a combined weight of 821 pounds, Sama Taku and Kalavi'i Kafu, THE TRIBE! OF! TERROR!" Only problems: he's black, and from Tuscon, Arizona. A David from Germany and a Sama from Arizona. The hell is with this team...

## The Boo Box - How many synonyms for boring can you guys think of?

**Ray Bowles**: Member of the 90s band "Tristan Park" since 1993. Has owned a successful carpentry and cabinet making business in Sussex in the UK for over 30 years. Was arrested as for a string of murders in 1994 according to murderpedia.com (yes, an actual site). See also: We can't find any of these guys anywhere online.

**Sama Taku**: We're pretty sure he made that name up simply to prevent us being able to find dirt on him. Once we exhausted the 45 seconds worth of google search effort that we felt like putting into it, we concede defeat. So just yell random mean things. Here's an idea: if he commits a foul, right before shouting "You" repeatedly throw in a loud "TAK." Kinda funny, right? No? Seriously, this team is beyond boring.

**Andrew Bock**: Has tweeted "Great win tonight against a tough (insert team name here) squad" at least 5 times this season. Started his career at Creighton, at which point we imagine the coaches realized they could win tournament games if they got rid of deadweight players. Hey look, Bock's a tiger now!

**Tony Gill**: Also managed to keep off the grid enough to escape our searches. We'd suggest yelling something deadly like "fish would need a plural number of you to oxygenate", but

we're sure you guys are clever enough to come up with something on your own here.

**Trevin Harris**: Spends a lot of time talking about business etiquette and the like on his twitter. Espouses the importance of body language. Our vote? Our body language will say "we hate you" so that his will say "we lost." Also, has a famous moment when he made a game winning shot at the buzzer to beat the powerhouse Idaho State Bengals 66-64. The youtube vid has, get this, over 5000 views. Celebrity, this one.

**Ross Rivera**: Best tweet of his? "If it wasn't so cold outside I might have went to this optional class today #yeahright #dontlikeschool #mybedisbetter" We know there has to be many a student here who wants to tell him a thing or two about what going to class in the cold is really like. Make sure you do it.

**Khalil Kelley**: Actually seems like a pretty alright dude. Wants to start up a restaurant chain, which seems legit. Rather than getting on his back all night, keep making him offers to partner with him in his endeavours. Recipes, business models, whatever you can think of. You can even refer him to Trevin for advice on interviewing. If you're brave enough feel free to drop him a business card. Resumes upon request.

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