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Initial Setup of Tag Pages

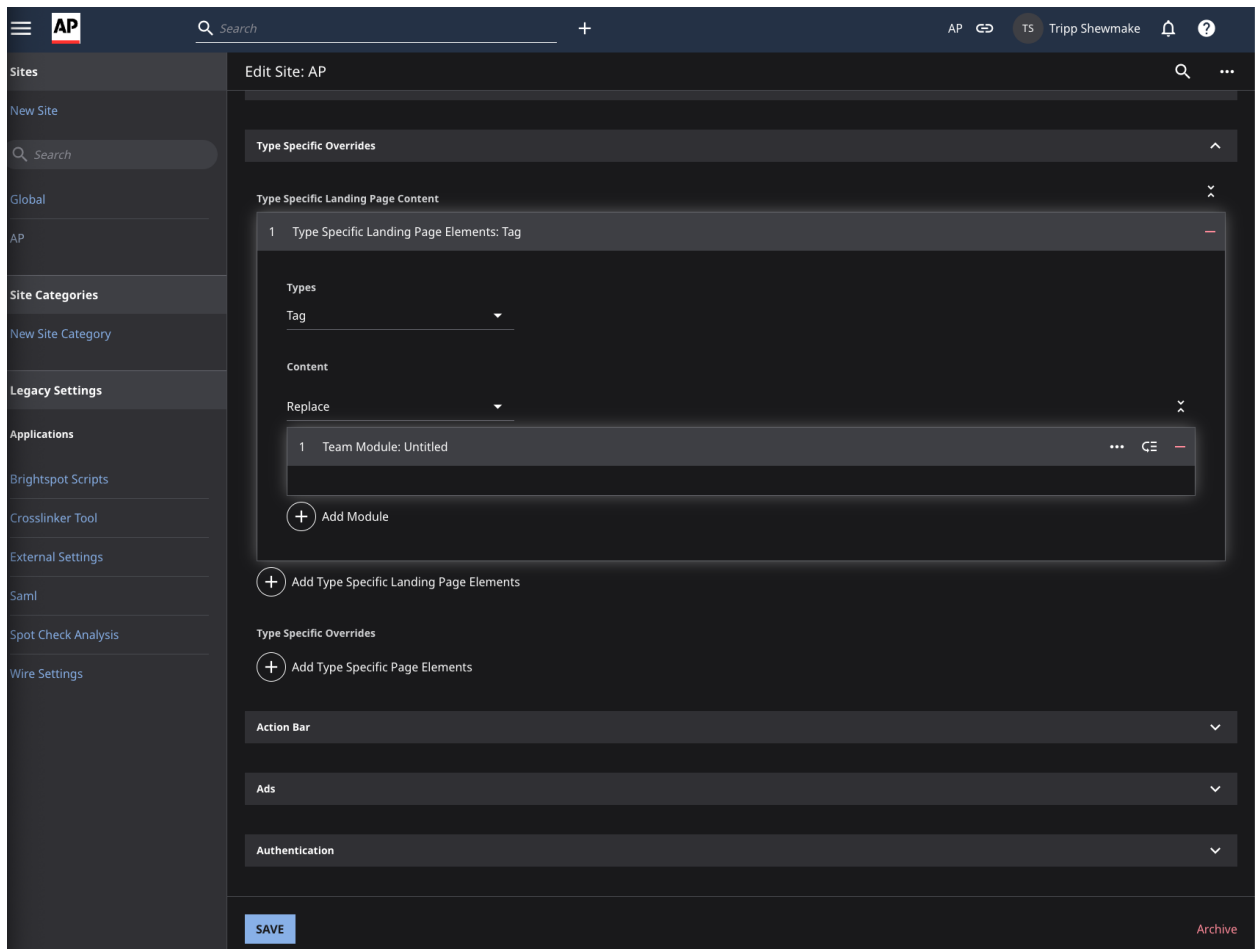
Every tag page essentially has the ability to output a Team Module. This is done by creating a type specific override in Sites and Settings. The module will only appear on a tag page if a 'Team Association' piece of content exists linking the tag page to a team.

1. Go to "Hamburger" -> Sites & Settings -> Front-End
2. Go to the "Type Specific Overrides" cluster
3. Add a new "Type Specific Landing Page Element"

a. Set to “tags” and “replace”

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Site: AP' configuration page in a dark-themed interface. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories: Sites, Site Categories, Legacy Settings, and Applications. The 'Applications' section is expanded, showing options like 'Brightspot Scripts', 'Crosslinker Tool', 'External Settings', 'Spot Check Analysis', and 'Wire Settings'. The main content area is titled 'Edit Site: AP' and has tabs for 'MAIN', 'FRONT-END', 'INTEGRATIONS', 'CMS', 'MEDIA API', and 'SPORTS API'. The 'FRONT-END' tab is active. Under 'FRONT-END', there are sections for 'Dynamic List Module Cache Seconds', 'Logos & Icons', 'Layout', 'Type Specific Overrides', 'Type Specific Landing Page Content', and 'Action Bar'. The 'Type Specific Landing Page Content' section is expanded, showing a list with one item: '1 Type Specific Landing Page Elements: Tag'. Below this list are two '+ Add' buttons: 'Add Type Specific Landing Page Elements' and 'Add Type Specific Page Elements'. The 'Action Bar' and 'Ads' sections are also visible at the bottom of the main content area.

4. Click “Add Module” and select the Team module



5. Click “Save” to save Sites and Setting changes.

Initial Setup of Sports Ingestion Jobs

This step should already be complete on the existing environment and is only necessary when creating a new environment or setting up a local environment.

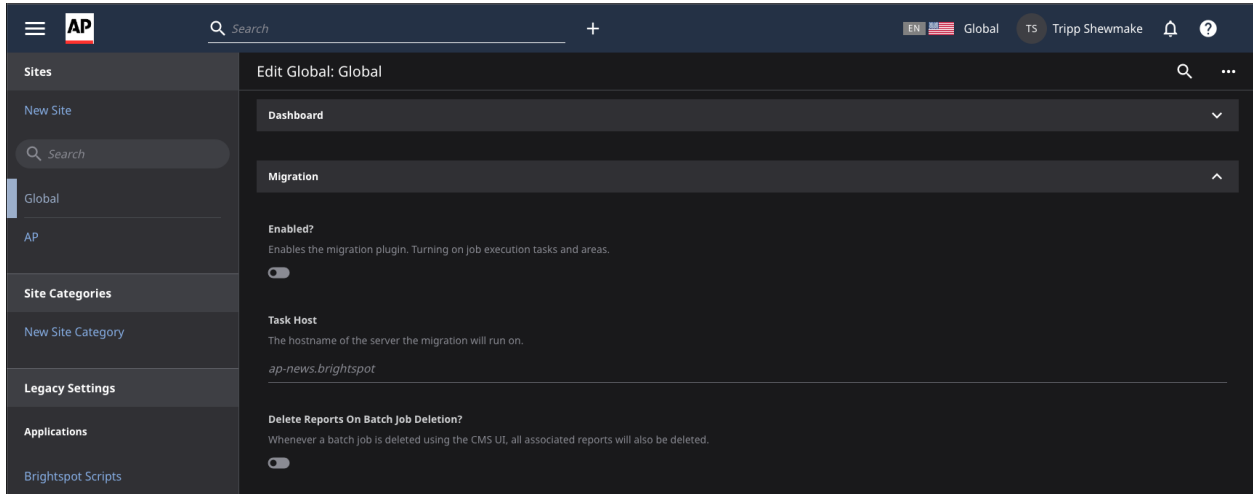
Before a cron job will run on an environment, a Task Host must be defined.

Select the “Global” site.

Go to Hamburger->Sites and Settings and find the migration cluster.

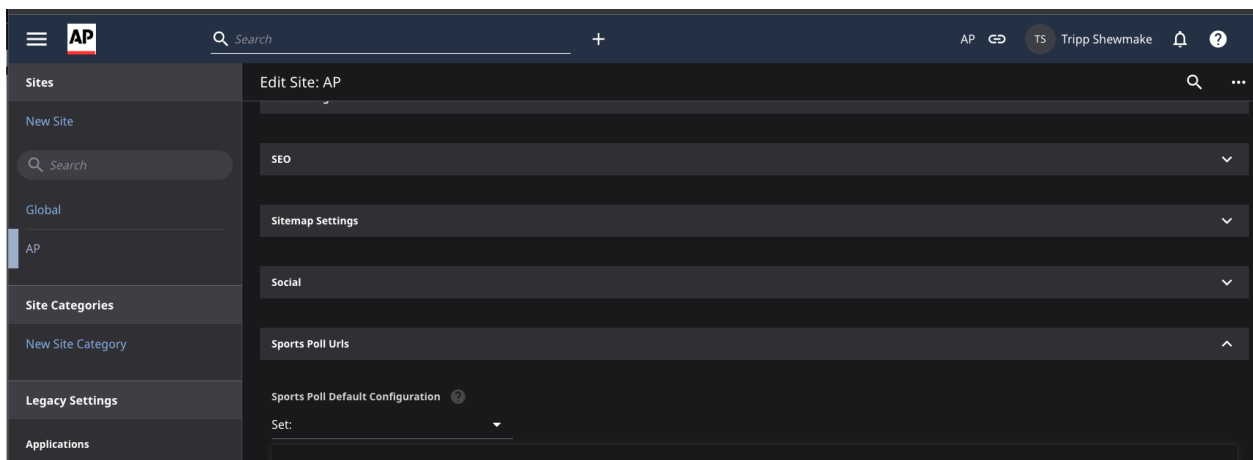
For a local environment, use the value “ap-news.brightspot”.

Other environments will have a value determined by its configuration.



Sports Front End

There are several front-end related values that can be configured for each sport. These can be accessed by going to Sites and Setting → Front-end and finding the Sports cluster.



First create a new configuration. A configuration contains a list of default values. There should be one set of defaults per sport. Each set of default contains the following:

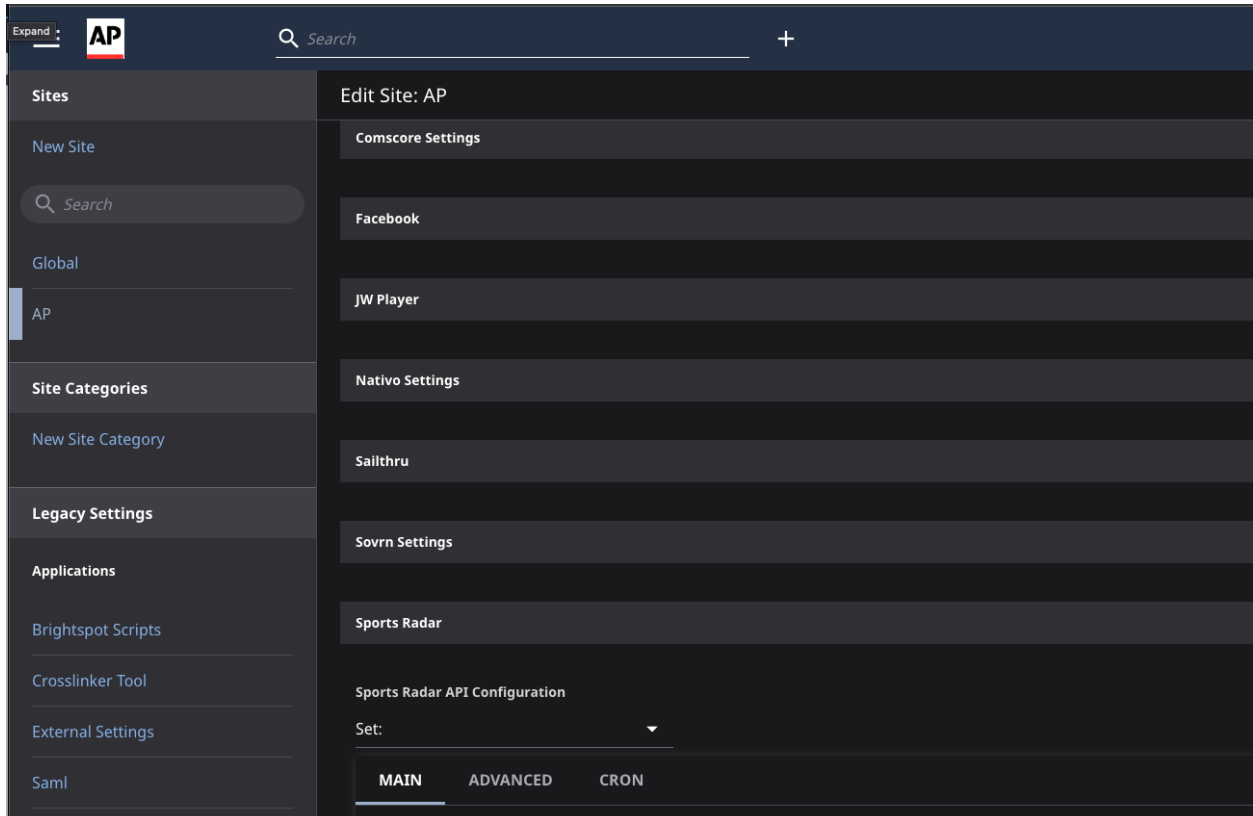
- Sport Type - the sport for which the values apply. There should only be one set of default per sport.
- Poll Page - The poll module can be placed on any page, but one page must be designated as the primary poll page for a sport. This is the page that links to the poll page will point to (example: the link to the Top 25 poll from a team module)
- Previous Next Window - This defines the number of days past a poll's release to show a team's previous game results in the "This Week" column. Once the number of days exceeds the value here, the poll page will feature a team's Next game in the "This Week" column. It may be useful to set this value differently for different sports. Example: If this value is set to 2, the poll will show previous games in the "This Week" column of the poll page for the first two days from when a new poll is released (based on the poll's release date, not when it is ingested). After two days, it will show each team's Next Game in the "This Week" column until a new poll is released.
- Game Recap Window - defines the number of days since publishing that a story should be considered when showing the "Game Recap" link in the "This Week" column. The game recap only shows up when the Previous Game is being shown and only if a story can be located that matches the defined criteria. Games Recap Window is the same as days since publishing.
- Top 25 Tag Page - Define the Tag that must be present on a story for it to be considered for the "Game Recap" link.

Sports Radar Ingestion

Please ensure [Initial Setup of Sports Ingestion Jobs](#) has been completed or ingestion jobs will not run.

AP Poll ingestions can be configured under Sites and Settings under the Integrations tab. Find the Ap Poll cluster and define a configuration.

The configuration will have three tabs. The “Main” and the “Cron” tab both need to be configured.



Main Tab

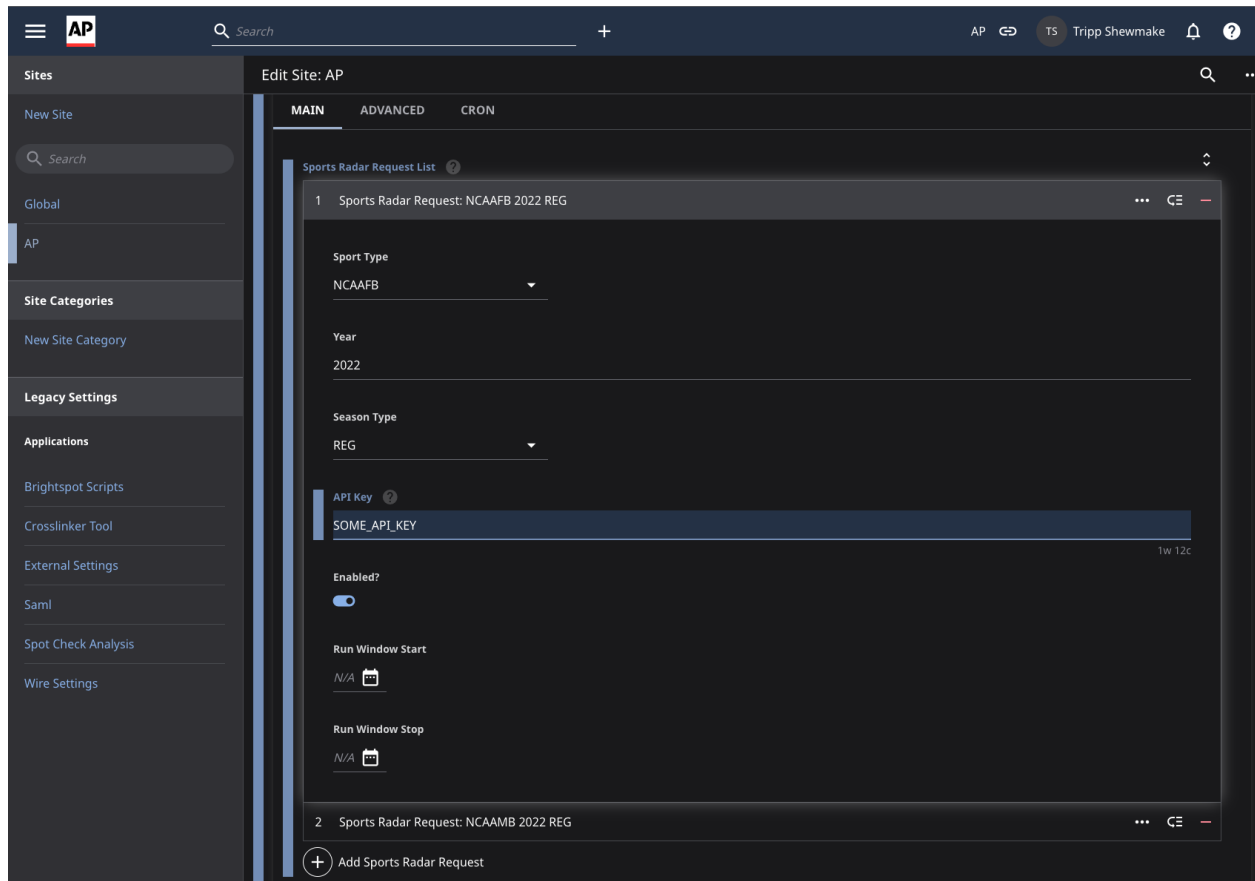
The “Main” tab contains a list of Sports Radar requests. Each entry represents a specific request to the AP Poll endpoint and contains the following. The Sport Type, Year, Season Type, and API Key are part of the request made to the Sport Radar endpoint. Example:

`https://api.sportradar.us/ncaafb/production/v7/en/seasons/{YEAR}/{SEASON_TYPE}/standings/season.json?api_key={API_KEY}`.

- Sport Type - the sport for the poll request. NCAAFB, NCAABB, or NCAAWB
- Year - the year for the season to ingest. This ties directly to the year value in the sports radar reqs. For seasons that span two calendar years, the earlier year should be used. Example, the 22/23 NCAAFB season would use the year 2022.
- Season Type - The type of season (REG, PRE, POST, or CT)
- Enabled – turns running this request on and off. If “Enabled” is turned off, the request will not be run.
- Run Window - these values can be optionally set to define a window of time when the request will run. The request will not be run if today’s date is outside the window. It may be desired to run the Football ingestion during the active football season and the window can be used to do this. Example: If you only want the NCAAFB 2022 ingestion to run during the football season, you would set Run Window Start to “Aug 1 2022” and Run Window Stop to “January 31 20223”
 - Run Window Start - an optional calendar date of when to start running the request. If this is set, the “Run Window Stop” should also be set.
 - Run Window Stop - an optional calendar date of when to stop running the request. If this is set, the “Run Window Start” should also be set.

A single request pulls in data from two different Sports Radar endpoints - Standings, which has data about teams, and Schedule, which has data about games both played

and unplayed.



Cron Tab

The cron tab defines when the jobs will run. These settings impact each of the requests defined on the main tab. Example: If the cron jobs are configured to run daily, all of the enabled request listed on the “Main” tab will be made daily. The “Cron Tab” has the following values:

- Owner - the site owner that will run the cron job. This should be set to the “AP” site.

- Cron Expression - defined when and how often the cron jobs will run using standard cron syntax. (Latest version translates the Cron expression to human readable format)
- Run Immediately - if toggle on, all enabled requests will be made when the “Save” button for “Sites and Settings” is clicked. It is important to make any other changes and save them BEFORE turning “Run Immediately” on. For example, if you want to disable a request, make the change and save. Turning this to on should be the only change being saved. Once saved, the job will run in the background and the toggle will return to the “off” position.

While it is possible to define requests for the same sport for different seasons and years, it is recommended to only ever have one enabled Sports Radar request per sport. Either update the request by changing the season type and/or year or disabled the old request and create and enable a new request with a different season and/or year. The reason for this is team data from sports radar contains year-specific data like a team’s record or conference affiliation. Having multiple years defined would cause one ingestion request to overwrite the other. Example: If NCAAFB Regular Season requests exist and are enabled for both 2023 and 2024, the conference affiliation for Texas and Oklahoma would either be Big 12 or SEC depending on which of the two requests ran most recently.

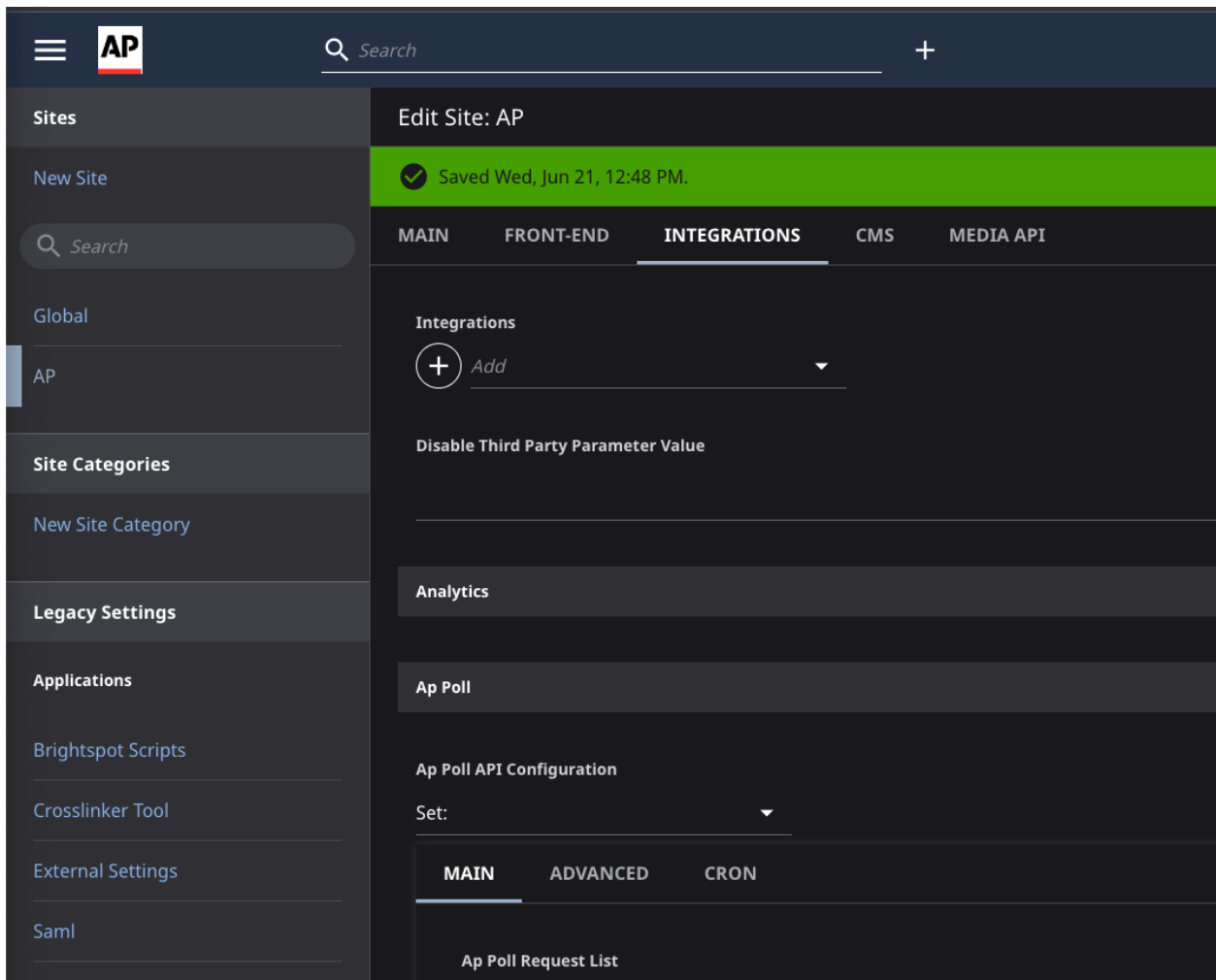
Avoid running a request for a future year and then trying to revert back to a previous year. Next and Previous game logic looks at the most recent schedule data so once a future year’s schedule is loaded it will be used to determine a team’s next and previous game.

AP Poll Manual Ingestion

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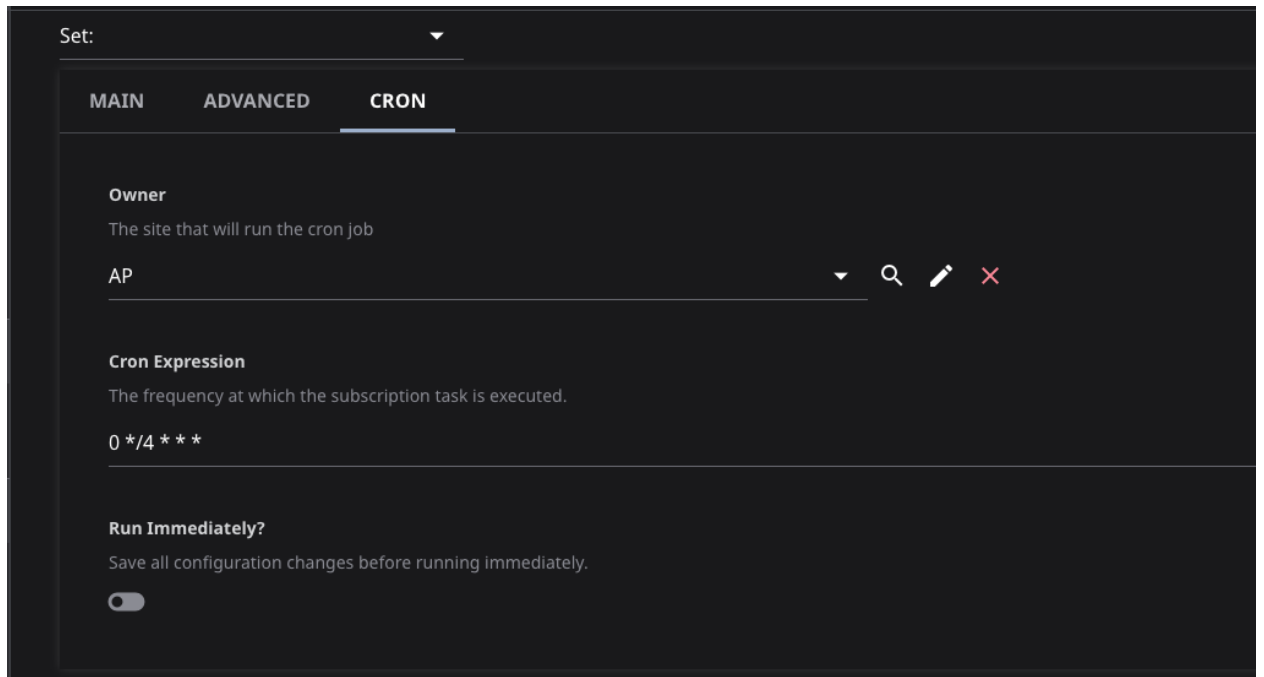
- Sport Type - the sport for the poll request. NCAAFB, NCAABB, or NCAAWB
- Poll ID - the unique identifier for the poll
- Ap Poll Type - The type of poll either WEEKLY or POLLSTER
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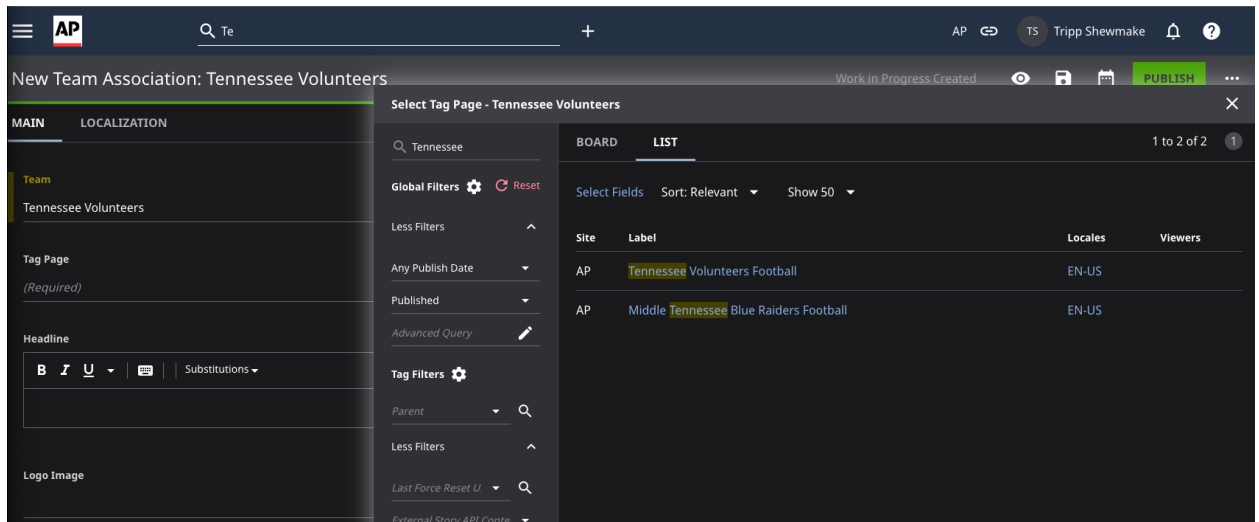
This cron expression says to run the AP poll ingestion every four hours starting at midnight.

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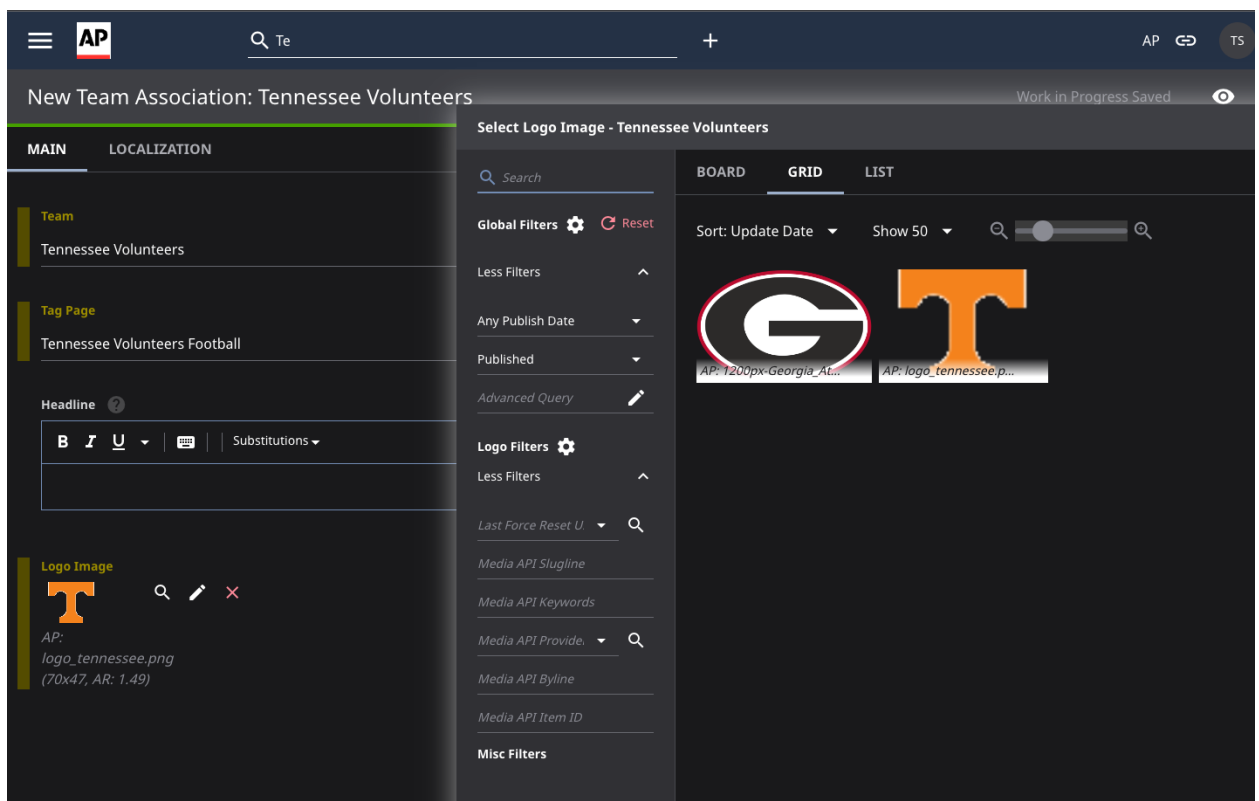
Make sure the [Initial Setup of Tag Pages](#) has been completed. While the below steps can be completed without the initial setup, the Team Module will not display on the tag if the initial setup is incomplete.

1. Create a new “Team Association”
2. Assign a team using search (teams are created by running a Sports Radar ingest)
 - a. You can filter by sports
 - b. You can start to type the name of a team to search

3. Assign a tag page using search



4. The Headline field is optional override and will replace the team's default display name.
5. Add a logo to the association if you want a log for the team to appear in the module.



6. The team module should now display on the tag page assigned in Step 2.

