

# **SOUTH CAROLINA (4-3, 1-3) vs. VANDERBILT (2-5, 0-3)**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2021 • WILLIAMS-BRICE STADIUM | COLUMBIA, S.C.**

## **>>> SOUTH CAROLINA NOTES**

- Vanderbilt won the toss and deferred.
- Attendance at Williams-Brice Stadium was 64,695
- South Carolina's captains for the game were: Dakereon Joyner, Jovaughn Gwyn, RJ Roderick and Dama-ni Staley.
- Carolina leads the all-time series with Vanderbilt 27-4 and have won the last 13 meetings.
- Xavier Legette made his first start of the season.
- Kolbe Fields made his first appearance of his career.

## **>>> SOUTH CAROLINA OFFENSE NOTES**

- The touchdown on Carolina's opening drive is the first time they've scored a TD on their opening drive this season.
- Jaheim Bell finished the night with a career-high 136 yards on six catches with a touchdown.
  - > It's the most receiving yards this season by a Gamecock.
  - > It's the most receiving yards in program history by a tight end.
  - > He's the first tight end with 100 receiving yards since Nick Muse had 131 against Georgia on Nov. 28, 2020.
  - > It's the most receiving yards by any player since Bryan Edwards finished with 139 also against Vanderbilt on Nov. 2, 2019.
  - > His 82-yard touchdown catch in the first quarter from Luke Doty is tied for the 10th longest pass play in program history.
  - > It's the longest since Jake Bentley to Deebo Samuel for 89 yards against Florida on Nov. 10, 2018.
- Luke Doty completed 17-of-27 for 242 yards, his second most passing yards this season.
  - > His 82-yard touchdown pass to Jaheim Bell is the longest of his career.
- Zeb Noland led the game-winning drive, completing 5-of-8 for 75 yards.
  - > It was his first appearance since leaving the game against Georgia on Sept. 18.
- Xavier Legette finished with four catches for 31 yards and the game-winning touchdown.
  - > It was his first catches of the season.
  - > It was his first touchdown catch since Nov. 2, 2019 against Vanderbilt
- Zaquandre White tied a season-high with 12 carries.

## **>>> SOUTH CAROLINA DEFENSE NOTES**

- The Carolina defense cause three fumbles for the second time this season.
- Jordan Strachan recorded his first career interception in the second quarter.
- Zach Pickens recorded a sack for the third straight game.
- Pickens finished with a season-high seven tackles, one shy of a career-high.
- Cam Smith forced his first career fumble in the fourth quarter.

## **>>> SOUTH CAROLINA SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES**

- Kai Kroger had a career-long punt of 70 yards in the second quarter.
  - He finished the night averaging 56.8 yards, a career-best.
- Parker White now has 331 career total points after three extra points.
  - > White moves into second all-time in career points, passing Collin Mackle (330).
- Jaheim Bell's 22-yard kickoff return was his first career return.

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