

# **SOUTH CAROLINA (2-3, 1-2) vs. TENNESSEE (4-1, 1-1)**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 • NEYLAND STADIUM | KNOXVILLE, TENN.**

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

- Attendance at Neyland Stadium was 101,915, which was a sellout.
- South Carolina's captains for the game were Alex Huntley, Trey Knox, Spencer Rattler and Debo Williams.
- Tennessee now leads the overall series, 29-11-2.
- South Carolina is now 631-609-44 all-time.
- Shane Beamer is now 17-14 as a head coach at South Carolina.
- South Carolina won the coin toss and elected to receive.
- Mario Anderson, Trovon Baugh and Tyreek Johnson made their first starts of the season for the Gamecocks.

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

- Ahmarean Brown's 44-yard reception in the first quarter was a long in a South Carolina uniform.
- Spencer Rattler gave Carolina a 10-7 lead with 2:03 left in the first quarter on a 6-yard touchdown rush. Rattler now has five rushing touchdowns at Carolina and 14 in his collegiate career.
- Mario Anderson set a Carolina high and tied a career high with a 75-yard touchdown run on the first offensive play of the third quarter. Anderson had 10 carries for 101 yards and a touchdown.
- The 75-yard run was the longest by a Gamecock since Kevin Harris went 88 yards against Vanderbilt on Oct. 10, 2020.
- Anderson became the first 100-yard rusher in a game for the Gamecocks since Marshawn Lloyd ran for 110 yards against Kentucky on Oct. 8, 2022.
- Spencer Rattler was 24-for-35 for 169 yards and an interception.
- Trey Knox caught seven balls for 51 yards. His receptions are one off a career high, set when he was at Arkansas against San Jose State in 2019.
- Xavier Legette had five receptions, upping his total to 32 on the year.
- Nine different receivers made a reception on the night.

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

- DQ Smith came away with an interception with 4:55 left in the first quarter. It is Smith's first interception of 2023 and the third of his career.
- Jalon Kilgore recorded his first career interception with 2:48 left in the third quarter.
- Kilgore led the Gamecocks with 15 tackles, eight of which were solos, to go along with an interception and a pass breakup.
- Smith had 12 tackles, an interception and a forced fumble on the night.
- Bam Martin-Scott recorded his first sack of the season in the Tennessee game.

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

- Mitch Jeter hit on a pair of field goals from 36 and 47 yards out. On the year, Jeter is 4-of-5 on field goals and 14-of-14 on extra points.
- Kai Kroeger completed a 32-yard pass to Xavier Legette on a fake punt in the second quarter. Kroeger now is a perfect 7-for-7 in career passes.
- Kroeger punted five times on the night for a 45.8-yard average and a pair of punts inside the 20-yard line.