



Postgame Notes
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh
Sept. 9, 2023 | Acrisure Stadium

Team Notes

- Cincinnati has now won three straight overall, five out of the last six, and three straight on the road in Pittsburgh in the River City Rivalry series.
- Cincinnati improved to 55-11 (.833) since 2018 and 88-41 (.682) since 2013.
- Cincinnati improved to 661-599-50 all-time and is playing its 136th football season in 2023 (since 1885, one of 10 oldest in FBS)
- Cincinnati has now won 14 straight night games – kickoffs after 5 p.m. The Bearcats' last loss in a night game came on Nov. 17, 2018.
- Cincinnati improved to 4-2 in road contests against non-conference Power-5 opponents since 2018.
- The captains for tonight's game are defensive end Jowon Briggs, defensive lineman Dontay Corleone, center Gavin Gerhardt and quarterback Emory Jones.

Offense Notes

- Running back Corey Kiner finished with a career-high 153 yards on 20 carries and a touchdown.
 - Kiner ripped off a career-long 68-yard rush in the first quarter. It marked the longest play from scrimmage this season and the second straight week that he has set a career-long rush after a 54-yard rush vs. ECU.
 - Kiner broke the 100-yard mark on a seven-yard touchdown run – his eighth career rushing score – at the 13:20 mark of the second quarter. It marked his second consecutive 100-yard game and third of his career.
 - Kiner broke his previous career-high of 106 yards with 120 yards in the first half.
 - Kiner iced the game for the Bearcats with a late 10-yard run late in regulation to set up victory formation.
- Quarterback Emory Jones finished 18-of-26 for 125 yards and two touchdowns.
 - He now has nine total touchdowns – eight passing scores – through his first two games as a Bearcat.
- Tight end Payten Singletary hauled in a 12-yard touchdown from quarterback Emory Jones to cap off the first drive. It marked his third career receiving touchdown and second consecutive game with a score.
 - He set a career-high in receptions and yards, finishing with four receptions for 24 yards. His reception total tonight matched his career total entering the game.
- Wide receiver Braden Smith recorded a 21-yard touchdown from quarterback Emory Jones in the third quarter and finished with five receptions for 59 yards. It marked his fourth career receiving touchdown and second consecutive game with a score to open his Bearcat career.

- Smith hit wide receiver Dee Wiggins on a 30-yard pass in the second quarter. He is 6-11 for 190 yards and two touchdowns as a pass for his career.
- Wide receiver Aaron Turner took an end around for a career-long 25-yard rush on the first drive. His previous best was 15 yards.
- Cincinnati rushed for 180 yards on 20 carries with six different rushers in the first half. The Bearcats finished with a 216-83 advantage on the ground.
- Cincinnati's 17-play, 69-yard drive that ended in Carter Brown's 47-yard field goal to close the first half is the most snaps since Nov. 7, 2020 vs. Houston – also 17 plays.
- Cincinnati was 2-2 on fourth downs in the game to extend their total to 4-4 on fourth downs for the season.

Defense Notes

- The Bearcats' defense totaled eight TFLs, four sacks, and nine pass breakups in the game.
- Linebacker Jack Dingle had a career-high two TFLs and tied a career-high and team-high seven tackles. He recorded his first career sack in on a late 4th-and-9 in the fourth quarter to preserve the lead.
- Cornerback Justin Harris made his first career start and 35th career game played in. He finished a career-high four pass breakups and three tackles.
- Defensive end Jowon Briggs recorded a sack in the third quarter. He tied a career-high two TFLs, in addition to four tackles.
- Defensive end Eric Phillips recorded a sack in the first quarter. It is his second straight game with a sack.
- Defensive back Taj Ward forced a fumble and recovered it – his first career forced fumble and recovery – in the third quarter.

Special Team Notes

- Kicker Carter Brown went 2-2 on field goals with 22-yard and 47-yard conversions in the first half. He also went 3-3 on PATs.
 - Brown is now 7-9 from 40-plus yards for his career and 2-2 from 40-49 yards this season.
 - Brown is now 45-45 on PATs for his career.
- Punter Mason Fletcher has two punts downed inside the 20 to extend his career total to 49 career attempts inside the 20.