



Postgame Notes
Cincinnati 28, USF 20
Nov. 12, 2021 | Raymond James Stadium

Highlights

- On his second passing touchdown of the night, Desmond Ridder passed Gino Guidugli for the most passing touchdowns in Cincinnati history with 79.
- Cincinnati improves to 10-0 for the second time in program history. It is the fourth time the Bearcats have ever been on a 10-game win streak.
- The win marks Cincinnati's 13th-straight win against AAC opponents and fourth-straight against USF. It also marks UC's 36th-straight win against unranked opponents.
- Cincinnati improved to 16-5 (.762) in road games since 2018 and have won their last seven.
- The Bearcats are 19-2 (.905) since 2019 against AAC opponents, which is the best mark in the conference.
- UC is now 41-6 (.872) since 2018, ranking among the top six teams in CFB in winning percentage during that span.
- Head Coach Luke Fickell is now 45-14 (.763) in five seasons at Cincinnati. This is the Bearcats' first 10-0 start under him and second all-time (also 2009).
- UC is 34-2 when leading at the half under Fickell.
- Today's captains were Desmond Ridder, Coby Bryant and Myjai Sanders.
- USF won the coin toss and elected to receive.
- UC improved its all-time record to 647-594-50 (.521).

Charting Quarterback Desmond Ridder

- With two touchdown passes today, Ridder now has 79 career TD passes, passing UC quarterbacks coach Gino Guidugli as the school-record holder (78, 2001-04).
- With 369 total yards today, Ridder has 11,433 yards of total offense, moving him into second place in AAC history in total yards gained. He is just 369 yards away from passing Quinton Flowers for first place in AAC history.
- With his one-yard toss to Tre Tucker in the second quarter, Ridder continued a 21-game streak where he has thrown a touchdown pass.
- Ridder's 13-yard rushing TD in the second quarter was his school-best 27th of his career.
- Ridder remains the winningest quarterback in college football with a 41-5 (89.1%) record.

Offensive Notes

- Ryan Montgomery ran for a 55-yard touchdown in the 4th quarter. It was the longest rush of his career. He ended with 72 yards on the day, also a career high.
- Tre Tucker brought in his second receiving touchdown of the season on a one-yard reception in the first half.
- Ryan Montgomery ran in his first rushing touchdown of the season in the first quarter. His 12-yard dash was the third rushing touchdown of his career.
- Josh Whyte caught Ridder's record-breaking 21-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter, which was the tight end's sixth touchdown catch of the season and 12th of his career.
- Ethan Wright ran for a one-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter. It was his third of the season.
- Today marked Ridder's fifth-career game with 300 or more passing yards.
- Ridder's 65 rushing yards marked a new season-high for him.
- Cincinnati's 506 yards of total offense is the most since the Bearcats had 542 against Temple on Oct. 8.

Defense

- Cincinnati's defense has not given up points on the opponents' opening drive since UCF on Nov. 21, 2020, as well as any to start a half this season.
- Ahmad Gardner had himself quite the game. He forced his first career fumble, recorded a sack in his second-straight game and had the third interception of the season (ninth in career).
- Cincinnati forced 4 turnovers today, giving it 24 forced turnovers of the season.
- Ahmad "Sauce" Gardner's interception was the team's 15th of the season.
- Deshawn Pace recorded his 4th interception of the season, which leads the team. It was the team's 16th interception of the year.
- Joel Dublanko recovered his first fumble of the season and the second of his career in the first quarter.
- Ty Van Fossen recorded three tackles for loss, which ties his career high.