



2019 CINCINNATI BEARCATS FOOTBALL

POSTGAME NOTES

#21/#21 CINCINNATI (6-1, 3-0) **24, TULSA** (2-5, 0-3) **13**

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ATTENDANCE: 33,209

SERIES INFORMATION

- Tulsa continues to lead the all-time series, 17-15-2, although Cincinnati has now won five of the last six games played
- The Bearcats improved to 12-4 when the game is played in the Queen City
- Accustomed to shootouts, tonight's game marks the first time since 1995 that both teams did not score 24 or more points (24-5 UC win at Tulsa)

CAPTAINS/COIN TOSS

- Cincinnati's captains for today's game: #6 Perry Young, #75 Chris Ferguson, #78 Morgan James, #83 Josiah Deguara
- Cincinnati won the toss and deferred; Tulsa to receive the kick and defend the north

TEAM NOTES

- **PIN PALS:** With the win, UC moves to 6-1 on the year, making the Bearcats bowl eligible for the 11th time in the last 14 years.
- With the victory today, the Bearcats have now won 11 in-a-row at home with four victories this year, six last year and one in 2017. The current streak began following a 35-24 loss to visiting Temple (11/10/17). The last time UC had a 10+ winning streak at home came between 2008 and 2010 with 13 in a row as the Bearcats won six in a row in both 2008 and 2009 and one more in 2010 before falling, 31-29, at Paul Brown Stadium to #8/#9 Oklahoma. If you count only games played in Nippert Stadium (removing contests at PBS in 2010 and 2011), the streak stretches to 17 in a row (six each in 2008 and 2009 and five in 2012). The loss that ended that streak was a 10-3 setback to #20 Rutgers (11/17/12).
- The defense came away with five takeaways for the second game in a row after also recording five last week at Houston. Tonight, the Bearcats recovered three fumbles and intercepted TU's Zach Smith twice one week after recovering four fumbles and picking off one Houston pass.
- In the last three games (vs. UCF, at Houston, vs. Tulsa), the Bearcats have forced 14 turnovers, including five fumbles recovered and nine interceptions. UC opened the year with four against UCLA with two fumbles recovered and two interceptions. In the three games to follow (0 at Ohio State, 1 vs. Miami, 0 at Marshall), the Bearcats had just one takeaway (fumble) before recording 14 in the last three games.
- On opening drives defensively, the Bearcats have now forced two fumbles (vs. UCLA) and only allowed three points, which came on UCF's first drive of the first half. Adding in the opening drive of the second half (14 total drives), the Bearcats defense this year has caused three turnovers (two fumbles, one interception) allowed 10 points (one FG, one TD) and forced nine punts.
- **QUICK HITS**
 - The 27-yard touchdown run by Gerrid Doaks late in the game ended a 1-play, 27-yard drive that took six seconds, both the quickest (time) and shortest (plays) this year. UC also had a 1-play drive last week on a 75-yard scoring pass.
 - UC tied a season-high with five sacks, equaling the five recorded against Miami

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

- Gerrid Doaks had a monster night for the Bearcats. He entered the game with 24 carries for 123 yards (long of 14) and no receiving numbers. Tonight, he left the field with 91 yards on 17 carries with a long of 27-yards and scored two touchdowns while adding one catch for 28 yards and a score. All told, he accumulated 119 total yards of offense and three scores.
- Doaks' three touchdowns tied his career total he brought into the game while also marking the first time in his career he recorded multiple touchdowns in the same game. His first score, a four-yard run, marked his first touchdown in over two years after his last came September 30, 2017 at home against Marshall. He added his second score in the third quarter on a 28-yard pass from Desmond Ridder, recording just his second career receiving score and his first since October 7, 2017, against UCF at home.
- JaVon Hicks had a strong game as well on the defensive side of the ball as he recovered one fumble and intercepted one pass to go along with his three tackles. Now with three fumble recoveries and four picks, Hicks has collected seven of the team's 19 turnovers in 2019 (11 interceptions, 8 fumbles recovered).
- Marcus Brown was a force on the defensive line as he finished the game with five total tackles, two of which were sacks, forced one fumble and also recovered a fumble. The two sacks, the fumble forced and the recovery all are the first of his career.

- Cole Smith came onto the field in the first quarter and converted a 50-yard field goal attempt, his first boot of the year, giving UC an early 3-0 lead. The kick is a career long for Smith, whose previous best was 44 yards last year at Temple. It also is the first 50-yard-plus field goal made by a Bearcats placekicker since Andrew Gantz connected on a 51-yard attempt against Miami (Fla.) October 1, 2015.

- **DEFENSIVE QUICK HITS**

- Bryan Wright recorded his first interception of the year and the second of his career. He finished with 11 tackles in the game.
- Jarell White forced a team-high two fumbles to give him a team-best three this year.
- Darrick Forrest intercepted one pass on the day and returned it 16 yards. The pick is his first this year and his second career.
- Ethan Tucky blocked a Tulsa punt in the second quarter. It was the first block for UC since October 6, 2018, when Tulane had a punt blocked by Tucky.

NEXT UP

- The Bearcats are on a bye this week. Their next game comes November 2 when they travel to Greenville, N.C., to face ECU. Television and kick times will be announced in the coming days.