



Postgame Notes
Cincinnati at Miami
Sept. 14, 2024 | Yager Stadium

Team Notes

- With the win, the Bearcats now hold a 61-60-7 all-time edge in the Battle for the Victory Bell.
- Cincinnati's all-time record now stands at 664-609-50.
- Saturday's game was the first iteration of the rivalry played in Oxford since 2017. UC is now 14-14-2 all-time when playing Miami in Oxford.
- The Battle for the Victory Bell is one of the oldest rivalries in the sport, with the first meeting coming in 1888. It is the oldest non-conference college football rivalry and one of the most-played matchups in college football history (128). The most-played matchups are Wisconsin-Minnesota (132), Georgia-Auburn (128), and North Carolina-Virginia (128).
- Cincinnati had four captains pre-game: redshirt junior defensive tackle Dontay Corleone, redshirt senior safety Derrick Canteen, redshirt senior offensive lineman Gavin Gerhardt, and redshirt senior offensive lineman Luke Kandra.

Offensive Notes

- Quarterback Brendan Sorsby completed 21-of-34 passes for 186 yards and one touchdown.
- Sorsby was 15-of-22 for 124 yards and a TD in the first half and has now completed 45-of-67 passes for 658 yards and six touchdowns in the first half of games this season.
- Dating back to the 2023 season when he was at Indiana, Sorsby has thrown 115 straight passes without an interception.
- For the 14th straight game, UC started the same five offensive linemen: LT John Williams, LG Dartanyan Tinsley, C Gavin Gerhardt, RG Luke Kandra, and RT Deondre Buford.
- Cincinnati's 16-play, 95-yard drive near the end of the first half was its longest drive of the year and the longest since a 96-yard drive vs. West Virginia last season. The 16 plays were the most since a 17-play drive vs. Pitt last season.

- Running back Corey Kiner rushed for 126 yards on 21 carries and had a one-yard rushing touchdown in the third quarter, the third straight season he has scored a touchdown in the Battle for the Victory Bell.
- Kiner eclipsed 2,000 career rushing yards and his career total now stands at 2,055. He rushed for 320 yards in his lone season at LSU and has 1,735 rushing yards as a Bearcat.
- Saturday was Kiner's second straight 100-yard rushing performance and the ninth of his career.
- Running back Evan Pryor carried the ball three times for 76 yards and a touchdown, including a 65-yard rushing TD in the fourth quarter. That rush beat his previous career-long by one yard, a 64-yard rushing score vs. Towson earlier this season.
- The Bearcats are now 3-1 in games that Kiner receives at least 20 carries.
- Wide receiver Xzavier Henderson led UC with 10 receptions and 108 receiving yards on Saturday and has now led the Bearcats in catches and receiving yards in all three games this season.
- Henderson now has five 100-yard receiving games as a Bearcat and six overall in his collegiate career. Saturday also marked his second career game with double-digit receptions, the other being a 12-catch performance against Miami last season.
- Cincinnati scored 27 points against the stout RedHawk defense, the first time Miami has allowed more than 21 points since last year's game vs. UC.

Defensive Notes

- Darian Varner and Logan Wilson appeared in the starting lineup, their first starts as Bearcats. Overall, it was career start number 19 for Wilson and number 11 for Varner.
- Cincinnati allowed just 24 rushing yards, the fewest it has allowed in a game since allowing five rushing yards against Memphis on Oct. 31, 2020.
- Safety Derrick Canteen intercepted a pass in the endzone on Miami's first drive of the game, the ninth interception of his career and his first in a Cincinnati uniform.
- Jiquan Sanks finished with two solo tackles, six total.
- Defensive end Eric Phillips had a career-best two sacks and now has eight sacks in his career. The last Bearcat to have at least two sacks in a game was Daniel Grzesiak last season vs. Iowa State.

Special Teams Notes

- Nathan Hawks connected on a 55-yard field goal in the first quarter, his first career field goal as a Bearcat. It was the longest field goal of his career and tied for the second-longest field goal in school history. Jake Rogers also made a 55-yarder vs. Oregon State in 2007. The longest field goal in program history is 58 yards by Jon Bacon vs. Miami (Ohio) in 1994.
- Hawks' field goal was also the longest by a Big 12 kicker so far this season.

- Hawks' is the first Bearcat kicker to connect on multiple 50+ field goals in one game.
- Mason Fletcher recorded his sixth 50+ yard punt of the season and sixth inside the 20.