

Iowa vs. Illinois Postgame Notes
Oct. 7, 2017

POSTGAME NOTES

Iowa (4-2, 1-2) defeated Illinois (2-3, 0-2), 45-16, at Kinnick Stadium on Saturday.

The Hawkeyes have won 12 of the last 15 meetings, nine of the last 10, and four in a row against the Illini.

The 45 point total was Iowa's highest against the Illini since scoring 54 in 1990.

INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

QB Nate Stanley threw three touchdown passes today, his third game this season with three or more touchdowns.- Stanley was intercepted on his 15th pass attempt, breaking a streak of 147 attempts without an interception.

LB Josey Jewell tied for the team lead (LB Bo Bower) with a game high with 10 tackles. It is his third straight and 17th career game with double-digit tackles. Jewell has 371 career tackles, eighth all-time.

RB Akrum Wadley had one rushing touchdown (18 yards) and one receiving touchdown (2 yards). Wadley has three games this year, and four in his career, with a receiving and rushing touchdown. He has 29 career touchdowns (22 rushing, 7 receiving), sixth all-time, and 174 points, 13th all-time.

RB Akrum Wadley rushed 23 times for 115 yards, his 12th career 100-yard rushing game. He has 403 career carries for 2,246 yards, 10th all-time. Today Wadley passed Dennis Mosley (2,133), Eddie Phillips (2,177), and Shonn Greene (2,228) on the all-time list.

FS Brandon Snyder started for the first time this season, and played for the first time since tearing his ACL in the spring.

OL Tristan Wirfs started at RT. Wirfs is the fourth true freshman to start on the offensive line under Kirk Ferentz, and the first to start at tackle (James Daniels started two games at LG in 2015, Bryan Bulaga started 5 games at LG in 2007, Mike Jones 7 games at LG in 2003).

FS Brandon Snyder's 89-yard interception return for a touchdown ties for the sixth-longest in school history (Shaun Prater, 2011 vs. Tennessee Tech). Iowa has had at least one pick-six every year since 2009. The interception was the fourth of Snyder's career, the first returned for a touchdown.

FS Amani Hooker recorded his first career interception. Hooker also rushed for 18 yards on a fake punt, the first rush of his career. D

DB Geno Stone recorded his first career interception.

WR Matt Vandenberg had two receptions for 48 yards. He has at least one reception on 25 consecutive games played. He has 121 career receptions, 11th all-time.

WR Nick Easley tied his career-high with seven receptions for 59 yards and a touchdown. He has led Iowa in receiving four times this season.

TE T.J. Hockenson caught two passes for 41 yards. He has 10 receptions this season (9 first downs and 1 touchdown).

RB Toren Young made his first career start.

P Ryan Gersonde made his Hawkeye debut, punting 3 times for 113 yards (37.7). He is the 10th true freshman to play this season. The 10 true freshmen to play this season include Noah Clayberg, Max Cooper, A.J. Epenesa, Matt Hankins, Ivory Kelly-Martin, Brandon Smith, Ihmir Smith-Marsette, Geno Stone, and Tristan Wirfs.

RB Ivory Kelly-Martin caught a 3-yard touchdown from QB Tyler Wieggers. The touchdown reception and pass were career firsts for both players.

MISCELLANEOUS

Kirk Ferentz has 139 overall wins and 83 Big Ten wins as Iowa's head coach. He is four wins from tying Hayden Fry as the Hawkeyes' all-time winningest football coach.

Iowa won the toss and deferred to the second half. The Hawkeyes have played 233 games under head coach Kirk Ferentz. Iowa has opened the game on offense 179 times (109-70). The Hawkeyes have opened the game on defense 54 times (30-24).

Instant replay was used two times today:

- 1) Illinois incomplete pass (overruled, fumble)
- 2) Iowa interception, Geno Stone (confirmed)

Both teams fumbled on their opening possession. Illinois' lost fumble was their first of the season (forced by Matt Nelson, recovered by Ben Niemann).

UP NEXT

The Hawkeyes are idle next Saturday. They return to the field Oct. 21 at Northwestern.