

**Iowa vs. Northwestern Postgame Notes**  
**Oct. 28, 2017**

**POSTGAME NOTES**

Iowa (5-3, 2-3) defeated Minnesota (4-4, 1-4), 17-10, Saturday at Kinnick Stadium.

Iowa has won 13 of the last 17 meetings in the battle for Floyd of Rosedale. The Hawkeyes have won the last eight games in the series played in Iowa City.

Iowa has successfully defended two rivalry trophies this season (Cy-Hawk, Floyd of Rosedale). Iowa will defend the Heroes Trophy on Nov. 24 at Nebraska, and try to regain possession of the Heartland Trophy at Wisconsin on Nov. 11.

**INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES**

LB Josey Jewell returned to the starting lineup after missing last week due to injury. Jewell led the team with 11 tackles. He has 18 career games with double-digit tackles. Jewell has 382 career tackles, and tonight he passed Fred Bar for No. 7 all-time in program history.

FS Jake Gervase made his fifth start of the season, recorded a career-high eight tackles, and recorded his first career interception.

DB Josh Jackson had a career-high four pass breakups. Jackson entered the game leading the Big Ten with 11 pass breakups.

DE Anthony Nelson ended Minnesota's final drive with a sack, Iowa's fourth of the night and Nelson's sixth of the season, tying a career-high.

WR Matt VandeBerg had one reception for 11 yards. He has at least one reception in 27 consecutive games played. He has 125 career receptions, 11th all-time, and 1,589 receiving yards, 17th all-time. He passed Ed Hinkel on Iowa's all-time list for receiving yards tonight.

WR Nick Easley had a team-high five receptions. He has led Iowa in receptions six times this season.

RB Akrum Wadley's 12-yard TD rush in the first quarter was his 30th career touchdown. He is the sixth player in program history to score 30 career TDs. Wadley has 23 career rushing touchdowns, tying for sixth all-time. His 180 career points rank 12th all-time. Wadley has 3,182 career all-purpose yards, 12th most in program history (2,406 rush, 676 receiving, 100 KO returns). He passed Owen Gill and Fred Russell on Iowa's all-time list tonight.

RB James Butler returned to action for the first time since Week 3. Butler had 11 rushing yards on 28 carries in his Big Ten debut.

TE Noah Fant's 45-yard touchdown reception was the longest reception of his career, and his team-best fifth TD reception.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Iowa scored on its opening possession for the first time this season (RB Akrum Wadley 12-yard TD rush). Iowa scored on its opening possession of the second half (45-yard TE Noah Fant TD reception) for the second time this season (North Texas).

Iowa held Minnesota to a season low in points. Iowa's defense pitched a first-half shutout for the second straight week. It was the first time this year Minnesota was shutout in the first half. Minus the 63-yard pass in the fourth quarter, the Hawkeye defense allowed only 75 yards in the second half.

Since 2014, Iowa is 13-10 in games decided by one possession. The Hawkeyes are 2-3 in one possession games this season.

Iowa won the toss and elected to receive. The Hawkeyes have played 235 games under head coach Kirk Ferentz. Iowa has opened the game on offense 181 times (110-71). The Hawkeyes have opened the game on defense 54 times (30-24).

Iowa has played three 17-10 games this season (1-2).

Iowa improved to 11-5 all-time in night games played at Kinnick Stadium. Tonight's win was the 399th home win in program history. The Hawkeyes are 399-218-16 at home.

Instant replay was used three times today:

- 1) Minnesota first down, runner made the line to gain (call overturned).
- 2) Minnesota interception (confirmed)
- 3) James Butler downed by contact, no fumble (call overturned).

#### **UP NEXT**

The Hawkeyes host Ohio State on Saturday, Nov. 4. A start time has not yet been announced.