# Iowa vs. Miami (Ohio) Postgame Notes Sept. 3, 2016

### **POSTGAME NOTES**

Iowa (1-0) defeated Miami, Ohio (0-1), 45-21, Saturday at Kinnick Stadium. The 45 points scored were the most by a Hawkeye team in a season opener since defeating Maine, 46-3, in 2008.

The Hawkeyes have won 15-of-18 season openers under Kirk Ferentz, averaging 35.9 ppg in the 15 wins. Iowa is 96-29-2 (.764) in home openers.

lowa has won eight straight home games. It is the first time since 2008-09 lowa has won eight straight games at home. lowa hasn't won nine straight at home since winning 22 in a row from 2002-05.

lowa has won 13 straight regular season games, tying its longest streak since 2002-03.

#### **INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES**

QB C.J. Beathard improved to 14-2 as a starter. He is 14-0 in the regular season and 8-0 at home.

QB C.J. Beathard threw for 192 yards today to move into 10th place in career passing yards. Beathard has 3,825 career passing yards. He moved passed Gary Snook (3,738) on Iowa's all-time list.

RB Akrum Wadley rushed for 121 yards on 12 carries, his fourth career 100-yard rushing game. Wadley scored two touchdowns (11, 5) for his second career multi-touchdown game.

RB LeShun Daniels rushed 10 times for 83 yards and two touchdowns (1, 43). It was his fourth-career multi-touchdown game.

DE Anthony Nelson's first career recorded statistic was a forced fumble in the first quarter. Nelson was credited with a sack on the play. Iowa scored two plays later for a 21-0 lead. Nelson finished the game with six tackles, 2.5 sacks, one pass breakup and two forced fumbles.

DE Matt Nelson and FS Brandon Snyder made their first career starts. C James Daniels made his third career start today, his first at center.

WR Jerminic Smith's 11-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter was his first career touchdown reception.

PK Keith Duncan was 6-for-6 on PATs and good on his only field goal attempt (22) in his Hawkeye debut.

P Ron Coluzzi averaged 41.7 yards on three punts and recorded seven touchbacks on eight kickoffs. Coluzzi was making his Hawkeye debut.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

LB Josey Jewell was disqualified in the first quarter after being flagged for targeting on a personal foul.

lowa recovered three fumbles and turned each of the three turnovers into touchdowns.

10 true freshmen played today – Amani Jones, Amani Hooker, Manny Rugamba, Kristian Welch, Keith Duncan, Devonte Young, Nathan Stanley, Tokes Akinribade, Noah Fant, Cedrick Lattimore.

Iowa won the toss and elected to defer. In 18 seasons as Iowa's head coach, Kirk Ferentz and the Hawkeyes have started the game on defense in 43-of-215 games. (24-19). Iowa has received the opening kickoff in 172-of-215 games (104-68) under Ferentz.

RB LeShun Daniels started at running back in the season opener for the second straight year. It is the first time since 2 006-07 (Albert Young) lowa started the same running in consecutive season openers.

C James Daniels and RB LeShun Daniels became the first Hawkeye brothers to start in the same game since Kent (SS) and Kevin (DB) Ellis in 1980.

Instant replay was used four times today:

- 1) Iowa penalty for targeting (Jewell). Call was confirmed.
- 2) Miami lost fumble is first quarter (Hockaday). Call was confirmed.
- 3) Iowa fumble (McCarron) out of the end zone, touchback. Call was reversed. Incomplete pass.
- 4) Miami fumble (forced by A Nelson) in fourth quarter. Call was confirmed.

## **UP NEXT**

The Hawkeyes host Iowa State on Saturday, Sept. 10, at 6:30 p.m. (CT) at Kinnick Stadium. The game is sold out. BTN will televise the contest.