

Iowa at Minnesota Postgame Notes
Oct. 8, 2016

POSTGAME NOTES

Iowa (4-2, 2-1) defeated Minnesota (3-2, 0-2), 14-7, Saturday at TCF Bank Stadium. The win was Iowa's eighth straight win on the road. Entering today, the Hawkeyes' road win streak tied for the fourth longest active streak in the nation.

Iowa has now won six consecutive rivalry trophy games. Iowa is 2-0 in trophy games in 2016. In 2015, Iowa defeated Iowa State, 31-17 (Cy-Hawk), Wisconsin, 10-6 (Heartland), Minnesota, 40-35 (Floyd of Rosedale), and Nebraska, 28-20 (Heroes). The Hawkeyes defeated Iowa State, 42-3, in the battle for the Cy-Hawk Trophy on Sept. 10, 2016.

INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

RB Akrum Wadley surpassed 1,000 career rushing yards today. Wadley finished the contest with 13 attempts for 107 yards and a touchdown (54 yards). The 54-yard scoring run is Iowa's longest play from scrimmage this season. Wadley eclipsed 100 yards rushing for the second time this season and fifth time in his career.

C.J. Beathard surpassed 5,000 yards of total offense in his Iowa career today. The senior quarterback entered today's game with 4,995 yards; he finished the contest with 149 total yards to increase his career total to 5,144. He completed 17-of-31 passes for 142 yards. Beathard distributed the ball to seven different receivers. Beathard did not complete a touchdown pass today, snapping a streak of nine straight games with a touchdown pass.

Riley McCarron led Iowa's receivers for the second straight game. McCarron had six catches for 62 yards.

PK Keith Duncan was 2-for-2 on field goal attempts today, connecting on a 22-yard field goal in the second quarter and a 28-yarder in the third period. He is 4-for-4 on field goal attempts this season (22, 24, 22, 28).

TE George Kittle caught four passes for 39 yards. His four receptions were one shy of matching a career high.

FS Brandon Snyder recovered his second fumble of the season, while LB **Bo Bower** forced the fumble -- his first of his career-- in the first quarter. It marks the third straight game Snyder has forced or recovered a fumble. Snyder finished the contest with five tackles, while Bower was credited with seven stops.

Snyder also had an interception in the fourth quarter. It was his second of the season (and his career).

CB Manny Rugamba intercepted his first pass as a Hawkeye in the second quarter. The interception was the Hawkeyes' third of the season (Brandon Snyder, Ben Niemann).

DB Desmond King had 107 return yards (48 punt, 59 kick). The senior cornerback also had two tackles today, including one for loss.

MISCELLANEOUS

Each team had three turnovers in today's game. Iowa recovered a Minnesota fumble in the first quarter, and intercepted passes in the second (Rugamba) and fourth (Snyder) periods. Minnesota intercepted Iowa's C.J. Beathard twice and recovered a fumble. The Hawkeyes are +5 in turnover margin this season. Iowa has 10 takeaways -- four interceptions, six fumble recoveries -- and has turned six of the 10 takeaways into touchdowns.

Iowa's defense forced eight three-and-outs and three turnovers today. The Hawkeye defense held Minnesota without a pass completion until the 4:15 mark of the second quarter. Iowa held Minnesota scoreless in the first half; the Hawkeyes held two of their last three opponents scoreless in the first half (Rutgers, Minnesota).

Iowa was 2-for-2 in the red zone today, scoring two field goals. Iowa is 19-for-20 in the red zone this season, with 15 touchdowns and four field goals.

There were three adjustments to today's offensive line starting lineup from Iowa's previous five games. **Cole Croston** moved from left tackle to right tackle, **Boone Myers** shifted from left guard to left tackle, while **Ike Boettger** moved from right tackle to left guard.

Iowa won the toss and elected to defer. Minnesota received the opening kickoff. In 18 seasons as Iowa's head coach, Kirk Ferentz and the Hawkeyes have started the game on offense in 174-of-220 games (105-69). Iowa has opened on defense in 46-of-220 games (26-20).

Instant replay was used twice today.

- 1) Minnesota reception (was confirmed)
- 2) Minnesota reception (was confirmed)

UP NEXT

The Hawkeyes remain on the road, playing at Purdue on Saturday, Oct. 15. Kickoff is at 11 a.m. (CT).