

#5 Iowa at Maryland

Oct. 1, 2021

POSTGAME NOTES

Iowa (5-0, 2-0) defeated Maryland (4-1, 1-1), 51-14, on Friday at Maryland Stadium.

Iowa has won 11 consecutive games. The Hawkeyes have outscored their last 11 opponents, 380-141, averaging 34.5 points per game offensively and allowing 12.8 ppg during the winning streak. Iowa has won 11 straight for the first time since opening the 2015 season with 12 straight wins. Iowa reached the Big Ten Championship game and accepted an invitation to the 2016 Rose Bowl game.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

QB Spencer Petras improved to 11-2 as Iowa's starting quarterback, matching the best winning percentage by a starting quarterback in program history (Brad Banks, 11-2, .846).

QB Spencer Petras has led Iowa to 11 consecutive wins. He was 21-30 for 259 yards passing Friday. He matched his career-high with three touchdown passes and set a career-high with two touchdown rushes. Petras is 177-293 with 2,031 passing yards during Iowa's 11-game winning streak. He has thrown 15 touchdowns and three interceptions over the last 11 games.

QB Spencer Petras had two 1-yard touchdown rushes in the second quarter. He has three rushing touchdowns this season, five in his career (1, 3, 9, 1, 1). Friday was his first career multi-touchdown game. Petras is the first Iowa quarterback with multiple passing touchdowns and multiple rushing touchdowns in a single same game since Brad Banks in 2002 at Minnesota.

QB Spencer Petras connected with RB Tyler Goodson for a 67-yard touchdown in the third quarter. It was a career-long pass for Petras and a career-long reception for Goodson.

DB Riley Moss intercepted a pass in the first quarter, his third of the season and the ninth of his career (tied for 15th all-time in program history). Iowa turned the turnover into a field goal.

DB Sebastian Castro forced a fumble in the second quarter on a Maryland kickoff return and LB Jay Higgins recovered it, a career first for both. Iowa turned the turnover into a touchdown.

DB Jack Koerner intercepted a pass in the second quarter, his first of the season and fifth of his career. Iowa turned the turnover into a touchdown.

LB/DB Dane Belton recorded his second career interception. Iowa turned the turnover into a touchdown.

DB Terry Roberts intercepted a pass to end the first half. It was his first career interception.

FS Kaevon Merriweather intercepted a pass in the fourth quarter, the first interception of his career.

DB Quinn Schulte intercepted a pass in the fourth quarter, the first interception of his career.

WR Arland Bruce IV scored his first career touchdown in the second quarter, an 8-yard reception. He recorded career highs in receptions (6) and receiving yards (43).

FB Monte Pottebaum's second-quarter rushing touchdown (2 yards) was his first career touchdown. Pottebaum had career highs in carries (3) and yards (15).

PK Caleb Shudak scored a career-high 15 points on a career-high three made field goals and a career-high six PATs.

MISCELLANEOUS

Iowa scored 31 points in the second quarter, the most points scored in a single quarter since scoring 37 in the first quarter against Akron on Aug. 31, 2002. The 31 points scored in a Big Ten game are the most by a Hawkeye team since putting up 35 points on Illinois in the first quarter in 1985.

Six different Hawkeyes intercepted a pass Friday, tying a school record for most players with an interception in a single game (vs. Wisconsin in 1982). The six interceptions are the most in a game since Iowa had a school-record seven interceptions vs. Wisconsin in 1982. Iowa leads the Big Ten with 12 interceptions. Iowa has 76 interception since 2017, more than any team in the country.

Iowa had seven takeaways, its most in a single game since 1987 against Northwestern (8). The Hawkeye defense has scored 20 points this season (3 TDs and 1 safety).

Iowa scored points following its first four takeaways, turning the four takeaways into 24 points. The Hawkeyes have scored 75 points on 16 takeaways this season.

Iowa has played 27 straight games without surrendering 25 points, the longest streak in the nation among Power 5 teams.

Iowa has won eight straight games against Big Ten opponents (2020-21) for the fourth time in program history (2001-02 (10), 2008-09 (8), 2015(8)).

Iowa has won eight straight games played on a Friday.

The Hawkeyes have opened the season with five straight wins for the third time in the Ferentz era -- 2009 (9-0) and 2015 (12-0).

Maryland won the toss and elected to receive. The Hawkeyes have played 279 games under head coach Kirk Ferentz. Iowa has opened the game on offense 210 times (135-75). The Hawkeyes have opened the game on defense 69 times (38-31).

INSTANT REPLAY

- 1) Maryland fumble, recovered by Iowa (confirmed)
- 2) Iowa interception and fumble recovery (confirmed)
- 3) Targeting on Iowa (reversed)
- 4) Iowa fumble (confirmed)

UP NEXT

The Hawkeyes host Penn State on Saturday, Oct. 9, at Kinnick Stadium. Kickoff is at 3 p.m. The game is televised on FOX.