

# **PURDUE BOILERMAKERS**

## Oct. 31, 2020 | Purdue 31, Illinois 24

#### THE INFORMATION

**Kickoff Time:** 11:06 a.m. CT **Total Time:** 3:29

**Location:** Memorial Stadium, Champaign, Illinois

Weather at Kickoff: 48, Sunny, SE Wind, 10 mph
Weather at End: 59, Sunny, S Wind, 18 mph

#### **▶** RECORDS

Purdue	2-0 Overall	2-0 Big Ten	
Illinois	0-2 Overall	0-2 Big Ten	

► SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4		F
Purdue	7	10	14	0		31
Illinois	0	10	0	14	-	24

#### ▶ HEAD COACH JEFF BROHM

- · Is now 49-31 in his seventh year as a head coach overall.
- $\bullet$  Is now 19-21 in his fourth year as Purdue's head coach.
- Is now 14-15 in Big Ten Conference play.
- Is now 7-9 in road games as Purdue's head coach.
- Is now 7-8 in Big Ten road games.
- Is now 3-1 against Illinois.

#### **▶** PURDUE RECORDS

- · Is now 620-575-48 in its 133rd season all-time.
- Is now 337-405-32 in Big Ten Conference play all-time.
- Is now 217-320-21 in road games all-time.
- Is now 45-45-6 all-time against Illinois.

#### ► SERIES HISTORY VS. ILLINOIS

- The all-time series is tied at 45-45-6.
- Purdue is now 24-22-2 in games played in Champaign.
- $\bullet$  Purdue has won four of the last five meetings overall and five in a row in Champaign.
- Since 1994, Purdue is 15-6 overall against Illinois and 9-2 in Champaign.

#### ▶ PURDUE TEAM NOTES

- The Boilermakers are 2-0 for the first time since 2007.
- ... The 2007 squad opened the year with a 5-0 record.
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  Purdue is 2-0 in Big Ten play for the first time since 2010.
- ... The 2010 Big Ten slate began with wins at Northwestern and vs. Minnesota.
- Five of Purdue's last six games have been decided by seven points or fewer, and the Boilermakers are 4-1 in those five one-score contests.
- The Boilermakers returned a fumble for a touchdown for the first time since 2015 when Jalen Graham recovered an Illinois fumble for the score in the third quarter.
- ... In 2015, Danny Ezechukwu returned a fumble 90 yards for a touchdown against Virginia Tech on Sept. 19.
- Jalen Graham's two fumble recoveries were the most by a Boilermaker since Ryan Russell had two on Oct. 8, 2011, against Minnesota
- Purdue has had a 200-yard passer (Aidan O'Connell), a 100-yard receiver (David Bell) and a 100-yard rusher (Zander Horvath) in both games this season.

### INDIVIDUAL NOTES

#### ▶ David Bell

- Set a school record with a fifth-consecutive game with 100-plus receiving yards.
- ... Has at least 100 receiving yards in eight of 14 career games.
- · Totaled nine receptions for 122 yards with one touchdown.

#### ▶ Aidan O'Connell

- Was 29-for-36 for 376 yards with two touchdowns and no intercentions
- · Had 300-plus yards passing for the second time in his career
- · Made fifth career start, all consecutive.

#### > Zander Horvath

- · Had six receptions for 55 yards, both career-best totals.
- · Ran 22 times for 100 yards with one touchdown.

#### ▶ Milton Wright

 Had a career-best 90 receiving yards, tied a career-high with one touchdown catch and caught five total passes.

#### ▶ Cam Allen

· Had an interception and six tackles, four solo.

#### ▶ Nerrick Barne

Recorded first career interception and added eight tackles, three colo.

#### ▶ Jalen Graham

- Recovered two fumbles, the first of his career, and added two sacks.
- Is the first Boilermaker two recover two or more fumbles in a game since 2011 (Rvan Russell vs. Minnesota on Oct. 8).

#### Marvin Grant

 Forced first career fumble and added four tackles and a tackle for loss

#### ▶ DaMarcus Mitchell

• Led the team with a career-best 11 tackles, five solo, with one sack.

#### ▶ I N Nellinge

- Had one field goal, the 35th of his career, which is fifth-most in school history
- Continues to rank No. 2 in Purdue history in career field goal percentage, at 74.5 % (35 of 47).
- Was a perfect four-for-four in PAT attempts.