



Game Notes Portland State vs. San José State September 10, 2016



San Jose State University Game Notes

Game captains for San Jose State were wide receiver Tim Crawley, quarterback Kenny Potter, safety Maurice McKnight and defensive tackle Bryson Bridges.

Redshirt freshman Ethan Aguayo made his first start for San Jose State as a linebacker. Trevon Bierria, a starting linebacker at Tulsa, moved to safety in place of Jeremy Kelly.

San Jose State's 66 points are the most scored by the Spartans in a game since a 70-63 win over Rice on October 2, 2004.

The Spartans racked up 642 yards of total offense matching the 11th best single-game total in school history.

San Jose State's 409 rushing yards in the Portland State win are the eighth most in a game by the Spartans. The last time San Jose State rushed for at least 400 yards was in the 2006 win over Louisiana Tech when the Spartans gained 476 yards on the ground.

San Jose State's six takeaways on three interceptions and three fumble recoveries are the most in a game for the Spartans since recovering five fumbles and coming up with an interception in a 52-24 win at UTSA in the Alamodome on October 20, 2012.

For the first time in 15 years, two Spartans rushed for at least 100 yards in a game. **Deontae Cooper** ran 18 times for 126 yards and one touchdown. **Zamore Zigler** gained 111 yards on 15 carries and scored twice. Sophomore **Malik Roberson** closed in on the 100-yard mark, but finished with 92 yards on eight carries. In 2001 when the Spartans rushed for 476 yards, reserve running back ran for 190 yards and starting running back Jamar Julien rushed for 126 yards.

Cooper's 126 rushing yards resulted in his first 100-yard rushing game as a Spartan and second in his six-plus year career. His first 100-yard rushing game was against Oregon State on November 23, 2013 when he finished with 166 yards and two touchdowns.

Five Spartans on offense had a play of 30 or more yards. **Justin Holmes** had a 46-yard touchdown reception. Tight end **Billy Freeman's** 36-yard catch and run was the first touchdown of the game. **Tre Hartley's** 41-yard catch led to a **Zamore Zigler** 1-yard touchdown run. Zigler also scored on a 74-run to close out the day's scoring. **Malik Roberson** had the game's longest run, an 87-yard touchdown run matching the sixth longest in school history.

Andre Chachere became the first Spartan in four years with at least two interceptions in a game. He returned his first interception 63 yards. The second set up a 46-yard touchdown scoring drive. Current Carolina Panthers' defensive back Bené Benwikere intercepted three passes in the 2012 regular season finale against Louisiana Tech.

For the second game in a row, linebacker **Frank Ginda** was the Spartans' leading tackler with seven stops. He had one of three San Jose State fumble recoveries.

Kicker **Bryce Crawford** had a busy day converting nine PATs and a 22-yard field goal.