



San Jose State Post Game Quotes

San Jose State's Head Coach Ron Caragher ...

We talked all week, after last week, that we wanted to start fast in this football game. I'm really proud of these guys. We came out of the gate fast. We played very good football. That's why I'm such a believer in having a balanced attack and not living in the passing world. Maybe some days you might be off. Maybe inclement weather down the road and you need to be able to run the ball. Let's start up front with our offensive line. Those guys are a veteran group. They're savvy. They make calls. They communicate well. We ran the ball really well. Jarrod Lawson (#40) rushed for 100 yards and that's a good example and then also Thomas Tucker (#3) getting that touchdown in the second half. The momentum had really shifted towards them (UNLV), and we get that touchdown and it really quieted the crowd. So, I was real encouraged.

On the team's defense being the best it had played this season...

I would agree to that. They came out and just played hard. They put pressure on the opposing quarterback. Their running game coming into this game was very solid. Tim Cornett is a very good running back. We kept him in-check and limited him to, I think, 25-yards rushing. The guys played hard. They responded to the challenge and I'm proud of them.

On the third quarter struggle and allowing UNLV to get back into the game...

At half time we said, it's four quarters of football, you've got to keep playing, you've got keep competing. Nevertheless, credit to Bobby Hauck and his staff, he got those guys going. They were making some plays and we were so close to a couple big plays on our part that just didn't work out that probably would have squelched that. They kept competing and our guys never quit and never gave up. When you have that type of approach, I know it sounds like a broken record and I've said that a lot, you've always got a chance. Even though momentum had swung on their side, our guys knew we're still in it, let's keep fighting and competing and finish strong and close this thing out.