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POSTGAME NOTES • San Diego State 41, Hawai'i 34 • Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023 • Clarence T.C. Ching Complex (Honolulu, Hawaii)

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3rd & Short (4 or less) 4-8 2-6
Third Down Turnovers 1 0
Third Down Touchdowns 1 1
Fourth Down Efficiency (Yards) 0-1 (0) 0-1 (0)
Total Possessions/Average Field Position 14/SD42 14/UH23
First Half 7/SD40 8/UH24
Second Half 7/SD43 6/UH21
Drives Started Inside/At Own 25 4/4 5/5
Points Scored (Touchdowns/Field Goals) 10 (1/1) 27 (3/2)
Drives Started in Plus Territory/Attempted to Score 6/6 1/1
Points Scored (Touchdowns/Field Goals) 24 (3/1) 0 (0/0)
Three and Outs or Less (must not have earned 1st D or scored) 3 5
Opponent Turnovers (Points) 4 (21) 1 (0)
Scores-Times in the Red Zone (Points) 5-5 (27) 3-3 (21)
Plays-Yards 15-29 5-32
Third Down Efficiency 1-2 3-6
Scores-Times in the Goal to Go (Points) 5-5 (27) 2-2 (14)
Plays-Yards 13-22 4-13
Explosive Plays (20-plus Yards) 5 6
Rushing 1 0
Passing 4 6
Yards by Quarter: First 73 27
Second 29 193
Third 80 139
Fourth 196 121

BIG NOTES

- San Diego State snapped a four-game losing streak.
- The Aztecs won their 33rd consecutive game when forcing at least three turnovers.
- The 75 points were the most combined in a SDSU game since a 42-35 loss (77 total points) to Army West Point in the 2017 Armed Forces Bowl.
- The 75 points were the most combined in an Aztec win since a 45-40 (85 total points) vs. California on Sept. 10, 2016.
- San Diego State scored a season-high 41 points.
- SDSU won its 20th consecutive game when scoring at least 40 points. San Diego State is 9-0
 under Brady Hoke when scoring at least 40 points.
- SDSU scored 21 points in the fourth quarter, tied for its second-most points in a fourth quarter since at least 2000. Only a 22-point fourth quarter in a 34-30 victory at San Jose State on Nov. 9, 2013 were there more fourth-quarter points by San Diego State since at least 2000.
- SDSU beat Hawai'i for the 10th time in the last 12 meetings (10-2).
- San Diego State has now won 28 of its last 34 games (28-6) played in the month of October (since Oct. 10, 2014).
- The Aztecs improved to 48-19 (.716) in its last 67 regular-season games against Mountain West opponents.
- SDSU improved to 75-34 (.688) since the start of the 2015 season.
- San Diego State improved to 64-15 since 2015 when scoring just 20 or more points.
- S Deshawn McCuin scored on a 70-yard interception return, the 16th by an Aztec since 2014.
- WR Mekhi Shaw set a career high with 126 receiving yards, his second career 100-yard receiving game.

SERIES NOTES

- San Diego State improved to 25-11-2 all-time against Hawai'i.
- The Aztecs have won 10 of the last 12 meetings (10-2) in the series and 19 of the last 23 encounters (19-4) since 1990.
- SDSU improved to 13-7-2 all-time at Hawai'i, including a 2-0 mark at Clarence T.C. Ching Complex.
- $\bullet\,$ San Diego State is 10-2 vs. Hawai'i since it joined the Mountain West in 2012.

TEAM NOTES

- The Aztecs forced three straight three-and-outs to start the game.
- San Diego State scored 10 points in the first quarter, tied for its most in a first quarter this season (also vs. Idaho State on Sept. 4).
- The Aztecs shut out an opponent in the first quarter for a third straight game.
- SDSU improved to 2-1 on the season and 23-3 under Brady Hoke when scoring at least 30 points.
- The Aztecs averaged starting at their own 42-yard line, their best starting field position since starting on their own 43 on Oct. 19, 2019 against Wyoming.
- SDSU's 19-yard starting field position advantage was its highest since a 19-yard advantage at Air Force on Oct. 23, 2021.
- San Diego State improved to 35-7 since 2011 when possessing the ball for at least 35 minutes.
- The Aztecs improved to 21-3 under Brady Hoke when committing fewer turnovers than their opponent (2-1 this year).
- SDSU is now 26-8 under Brady Hoke when having more time of possession than its opponent.
- San Diego State improved to 33-5 under Brady Hoke when having a better starting field position.
- The Aztecs are now 19-2 under Brady Hoke when having an advantage in both time of possession and average starting field position.

TRENDS

- The Aztecs won the coin toss for the third time this season in seven games.
- SDSU did not start with the ball for just the 42nd time in the last 152 games.
- San Diego State held an opponent scoreless on its opening possession for the fifth time this season, 25th time since 2021 (34 games) and for the 79th time since 2015 (109 games).
- The Aztecs improved to 2-2 on the season and 24-8 under Brady Hoke when scoring first.

- SDSU improved to 2-1 on the season and 20-12 under Brady Hoke when leading at the end of the first auarter.
- San Diego State improved to 3-0 on the season and 35-8 under Brady Hoke when leading at the end of the first half.

PLAYER NOTES

* Jalen Mayden, Sr., QB (18-for-24, 221 yds., 1 TD, 1 INT | 13 att., 53 yds.)

Threw his sixth touchdown of the season and 19th of his career ... Threw a completion in seven straight pass attempts to start the game before throwing an interception ... Set a season high with a 75.0 completion percentage ... Had a season-long 69-yard pass.

* Mekhi Shaw, Jr., WR (6 rec., 126 yds., 1 TD)

Set a career high with 126 receiving yards, his second career 100-yard receiving game ... Set a season high and tied a career high with six receptions ... Scored his second touchdown of the season and fifth of his career ... Had a career-long 69-yard catch.

* Lucky Sutton, RS-Fr., RB (7 att., 23 yds., 2 TD)

Scored a pair of rushing touchdowns, the first two of his career ... Scored a rushing touchdown on his first attempt of the season and just the third of his career ... Now has two touchdowns in nine career attempts.

* Jaylon Armstead, Jr., RB (5 att., 9 yds., 1 TD)

Scored his fifth rushing touchdown of the season and seventh of his career ... Now has eight overall touchdowns.

* Jack Browning, Sr., K/P (2-for-3 FG, 24 LG | 4 P, 56.0 avg., 54.2 net avg., 66 LG, 3 I20 | 8 KO, 64.9 avg., 6 TB)

Made two field goals and is now 10-for-15 on the season and 30-for-40 for his career ... His 30 field goals are the eighth most in program history ... Missed a 50-yard field goal and is now 4-for-6 for his career on attempts of at least 50 yards ... Now has 10 career games with multiple field goals (in 20 appearances as a kicker), including three this season ... Matched a career long with a 63-yard punt in the first quarter and later had a 66-yarder ... Recorded the second-highest punt average (56.0) of his career ... Three of his four punts landed inside the 20-yard line, including his 66-yard punt which landed on the 1-yard line ... Recorded touchbacks on six of his eight kickoffs.

* Marcus Ratcliffe, TR-Fr., S (6 tackles (6 solo))

Led the team in tackles for the second time of his career.

* Zyrus Fiaseu, So., LB (4 tackles (4 solo), 1.0 TFL, 1 FF, 1 FR)

Forced his third fumble of the season (and career) ... Also recovered his second fumble of the season (and career).

* Deshawn McCuin, Sr., S (3 tackles (3 solo), 1.0 TFL, 1 interception (for a TD))

Recorded his first interception as an Aztec and second of his career ... Recorded his first career interception return for a touchdown ... His 70-yard return was SDSU's longest since Segun Olubi had a 70-yard return vs. Hawai'i on Nov. 14, 2020 and the 10th longest by an Aztec since at least the 1996 season.

* Ryan Henderson, RS-Fr., DE (1 tackle (1 solo), 1.0 sack, 1.0 TFL, 1 FF, 1 FR) Recorded his first career sack, tackle for loss, forced fumble and fumble recovery).

OTHER NOTES

- CB Dez Malone started for the 18th straight game, the longest streak among offensive and defensive players.
- CB Noah Tumblin played in his 41st consecutive game, the longest streak on the team.
- S Cedarious Barfield played in his 45th career game, the most among any current Aztec.
- RT **Drew Azzopardi** earned his first career start.
- Eric Butler recorded his first career blocked punt.
- Tonight's temperature was 83 degrees.
- Tonight's attendance was 10,039.