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Postgame Football Notes – San Diego State at UNLV

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*** Final Edition

Big Notes

- San Diego State improved to 7-1 on the season and owns its best record after eight games since the 2016 squad opened 7-1.
- This is just the second time in the last 42 seasons that the Aztecs have opened a campaign by winning seven of their first eight games (also in 2016 when the team ended 11-3, won the Mountain West championship and was the Las Vegas Bowl champs).
- San Diego State has won four consecutive games and has not lost since Sept. 21. Counting today, the Aztecs have gone 35 days without suffering a loss.
- San Diego State won its fifth road game of the season. The Aztecs are the only team in the nation this season that has won five road games and hence is the only team in the nation with a perfect 5-0 road record.
- San Diego State's five-game road win streak is tied for the third-longest active FBS streak.
- San Diego State has won 17 road games since the start of the 2016 season. Regardless of any other outcomes today, no other FBS team has more road wins in the nation during that span (Clemson also has 17).
- Senior QB Ryan Agnew improved to 13-2 as a starter at San Diego State. His winning percentage of 86.7 percent is the highest among any Aztec QB with at least 15 starts (includes only games played in the Division I era).
- Rocky Long won his 50th Mountain West game as the head coach at San Diego State. He now owns a league mark of 50-18 in conference games at SDSU (52-18 if you count the two Mountain West championship games).
- Rocky Long improved to 14-5 in his career against UNLV, including 7-2 while at San Diego State.
- SDSU committed a turnover for the first time since Sept. 21 vs. Utah State. San Diego State went 325 offensive snaps in between without a turnover over 18-plus quarters.
- Trenton Thompson blocked a punt, which was recovered by Caden McDonald in the end zone. It was SDSU's first block punt return for a touchdown since Thompson returned Kaelin Himphill's block vs. Air Force on Oct. 12, 2018.
- SDSU now has 24 non-offensive scores (23 touchdowns) in the Rocky Long era (since 2011).

Series Notes

- San Diego State improved to 19-10 all-time against UNLV.
- San Diego State has won four straight games at Sam Boyd Stadium (three at UNLV and vs. Houston in the Las Vegas Bowl).
- The Aztecs improved to 15-6 against the Rebels in the Mountain West era (since 1999).

Rocky Long Notes

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Team Notes

- SDSU has won 25 of its last 35 (25-10) games, 32 of its last 44 (32-12), 45 of its last 58 (45-13) and 46 of its last 62 since the 2015 season (46-16).
- SDSU improved to 60-11 in the Rocky Long era when recording one or less turnovers.
- The Aztecs improved to 41-7 since Oct. 3, 2015 and 73-18 in the Rocky Long era when scoring just 20 or more points.
- UNLV was 3-for-4 against SDSU on fourth down tries. Opponents were 3-for-10 on the season against the Aztecs coming into the game and are just 17-for-53 (.321) against SDSU over the last 53 fourth down attempts.

Trends

- San Diego State started with the ball for the 92nd time in the last 105 games.
- The Aztecs held their opponent scoreless on their opening possession for the sixth time this season and 45th time since 2015 (62 games).
- SDSU improved to 6-1 on the season and 57-16 in the Rocky Long era when scoring first.
- San Diego State improved to 4-0 on the season and 48-11 in the Rocky Long era when leading after the first quarter.
- The Aztecs improved to 6-0 on the year and 56-12 in the Rocky Long era when leading at the half.
- SDSU improved to 15-1 the last 16 times it has led by at least six points at the half.
- San Diego State improved to 7-0 on the year and 66-12 in the Rocky Long era when leading after three quarters.
- SDSU improved to 66-6 in the Rocky Long era when holding its opponent to less than 24 points.

Player Notes

*** Ryan Agnew, Sr., QB (14-for-23, 185 yds., 1 TD, 1 INT)**

- Was 14-for-23 for a 185 yards and a touchdown, while throwing one interception.
- The touchdown pass was his 10th of the season and 20th of his career.
- Threw an interception, snapping his career-long streak of 124 pass attempts without an interception (first one since Sept. 21 vs. Utah State).
- Improved to 13-2 as the team's starting quarterback.

*** Ethan Dedeaux, So., WR (1 rec., 49 yds., 1 TD)**

- Caught a 49-yard touchdown pass.
- The touchdown was the first of his career.
- The 49-yard catch was a career long and tied SDSU's longest pass play this season.
- Entered the game with three catches for 26 yards this season.

*** Kobe Smith, So., WR (7 rec., 78 yds.)**

- Caught seven pass for 78 yards.
- Tied a career high with seven catches (fourth time it has happened this season).

*** Jwan Washington, Sr., RB (16 att., 89 yds.)**

- Ran for a season-high 89 yards on just 16 carries (5.6 avg.).
- Now has 2,631 career rushing yards, which ranks ninth in program history.

- Also has 3,926 all-purpose yards, which ranks ninth in school history.
- * **Trenton Thompson, Jr., WAR (12 tackles (9 solo), 2.0 TFL, 1 blocked punt)**
- Had a career-high 12 tackles and a career-best two tackles for loss along with his first career blocked punt.
 - Reached double digits in tackles for the first time of his career.
 - Led the team in tackles for the first time of his career.
 - Entered the game with 19 tackles this season without a TFL.
- * **Kyahva Tezino, Sr., LB (10 tackles)**
- Had 10 tackles, the second most on the team and third most in the game.
 - Recorded his second straight double-digit tackle game, third of the season and 11th of his career.
- * **Brandon Heicklen, Sr., P (6 punts, 262 yards (43.7 avg.), Long 53, 4 I20)**
- Punted six times for 262 yards (43.7 avg.).
 - Four of his six punts landed inside the 20-yard line.
 - Finished with a net average of 42.0
- * **Matt Araiza, RS-Fr., K (2-for-2 FG, Long 34, 2-for-2 PAT)**
- Was 2-for-2 in field goal attempts and 2-for-2 in PATs.
 - Had multiple field goals for the third straight game and fifth time this season (and career).
 - Is now 14-for-16 on the season in field goal attempts. His 87.5 field goal percentage is currently fourth in SDSU single-season history.

Other Notes

- WAR Tariq Thompson started for the 34th consecutive game, the longest streak on the team (offense/defense).
- LB Troy Cassidy played in his 45th straight game, the longest streak on the team.
- Tonight's attendance was 19,652.
- Tonight's weather was 74 degrees.

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