Virginia Game Notes

North Carolina at Virginia Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020 Scott Stadium (Charlottesville, Va.)

Team Notes

• Saturday was the 125th meeing of the South's Oldest Rivalry, tying for the second-most played series in FBS history.

• UVA's win over No. 15 North Carolina is its highest over an AP Top-25 team since beating No. 12 Georgia Tech in 2011.

• UVA has won four-straight against UNC, matching Virginia Tech and Clemson in current win streaks vs. the Tar Heels in ACC play.

- UVA is 7-0 against UNC head coach Mack Brown at Scott Stadium.
- The 85 points is the most combined points in a UVA ACC win, passing the 84 scored in a 44-40 win over UNC in 1973.
- UVA scored 40+ points against an *Associated Press* Top-25 team for the first time since scoring 48 points against then-No. 15 West Virginia in the 2002 Continental Tire Bowl.
- UVA's 44 points are the most they have scored in the series with UNC since winning 56-24 in 2004.
- For the second week in a row UVA scored a touchdown on its opening drive of the game.
- Virginia scored touchdowns on its first possession of the game and the first of the second half for the first time this season. It happened twice in 2019 (vs. Liberty & William & Mary). Last time UVA did it against an ACC team was in 2018 vs. North Carolina at Scott Stadium.
- UVA had its first first-quarter lead of the season when leading 13-10 in the first.
- UVA's 27 points in the first half were the most by the Cavaliers through the first two quarters since scoring 35 against William & Mary in 2019.
- Virginia had two scoring plays of 20+ yards. UVA entered the game with only three such plays on the season.
- UVA's 9:02 scoring drive in the fourth quarter was the fourth-longest scoring drive in program history.
- UVA's 71-yard scoring strike in the first quarter was the longest play of scrimmage this season.
- UVA held North Carolina to 93 yards rushing, improving to 14-1 when holding opponents to less than 100 yards rushing under Bronco Mendenhall.

• It was the 200th game of Bronco Mendenhall's career. He became the fifth active ACC coach with 200 games coached, joining Mack Brown, Dave Clawson, David Cutcliffe and Brian Kelly.

Player Notes

• QB Brennan Armstrong connected with RB Shane Simpson for a 71-yard scoring strike, which were career longs for both Cavaliers. The 71-yard receiving touchdown was the longest by a Cavalier since Joe Reed went 75 yards at Virginia Tech in 2018 and it was the longest by a Cavalier running back since Taquan Mizzell scored on an 80-yard reception against William & Mary in 2015.

• Armstrong tied his career high with three passing touchdowns, tying his output at No. 1 Clemson. Add his rushing touchdown and he had a career-high four touchdowns responsible for.

• OLB Charles Snowden notched a career-high 4.0 sacks. He is the first Cavalier to record 4.0 sacks in a game since Jamie Sharper in 1996 vs North Carolina.

- WR Ra'Shaun Henry scored on an 18-yard scoring strike in the second quarter. It was his second career UVA reception and the second receiving touchdown of his UVA career.
- WR Terrell Jana finished with 3 receptions, extending his active streak with a catch to 22 games.
- TE Tony Poljan finished with 2 receptions, extending his active streak with a catch to 19 games.

• LS Tucker Finkelston recovered a fumble on punt coverage in the second quarter. It was his second fumble recovery of the season on punt coverage.