

**LSU FOOTBALL POSTGAME NOTES**  
**#4 LSU vs. #3 Oregon - Cowboys Classic**  
**Sept. 3, 2011 - Cowboys Stadium (Arlington, Texas)**

**Team Notes**

1. LSU's game captains were 50 **Joey Crappell**, 12 **Jarrett Lee**, 18 **Brandon Taylor** and 22 **Ryan Baker**.
2. LSU won the toss and deferred to the second half. Oregon received the opening kickoff.
3. Four Tigers made their first career starts: LB **Kevin Minter**, CB **Tharold Simon**, WR **Kadron Boone** and RB **Spencer Ware**.
4. Seven Tigers saw their first career action: FB **Kenny Hilliard**, WR **Odell Beckham Jr.**, P **Brad Wing**, WR **Jarvis Landry**, DT **Anthony Johnson**. DT **Ego Ferguson** and TE **Nic Jacobs**.
5. **Tyrann Mathieu's** fumble return for a touchdown was the first by LSU since Lavar Edwards scooped one up and returned it 29 yards for a TD against UL-Monroe on Nov. 13 last season.
6. LSU in season-openers: 85-28-5. The Tigers have won 9 straight season-openers, and **Les Miles** is 7-0 at LSU.
7. LSU extended its non-conference regular season win streak to 34 games, which is the longest in nation. **Miles** is now 24-0.
8. LSU is now 3-1 all-time against Oregon with the other wins in 1977 (56-17) and 1934 (14-13). The one loss was in 1932 when Oregon won 12-0. The previous three meetings were played in Baton Rouge.
9. With the win LSU is 21-4 all-time against the Pac-12, and **Miles** is 4-0 at LSU.
10. LSU is 23-7 all time in domed stadiums and 2-0 in Cowboys Stadium, including last season's Cotton Bowl victory over Texas A&M. LSU has won 8 in a row in domed stadiums. The last loss was the 2005 SEC Championship Game in a 34-14 loss to Georgia.
11. LSU has won 18 straight games during the month of September, and **Miles** moved to 19-2 at LSU. The Tigers' last loss in September was Sept. 16, 2006 in a 7-3 defeat at Auburn.
12. **Miles** is now 24-13 vs. top 25 opponents during his tenure at LSU.
13. The victory marks the highest ranked win for LSU since topping No. 1 Ohio State in the 2008 BCS Championship Game.
  - a. It is also the highest ranked regular season win for LSU since upsetting No. 1 Florida on Oct. 11, 1997.
  - b. It is the first win over a non-conference top-five team in the regular season in school history. The previous highs were victories over a No. 7-ranked team three times (No. 7 Texas A&M in 1987, No. 7 Florida State in 1982, No. 7 Notre Dame in 1971).
14. The win snaps Oregon's streak of 15 straight regular season wins. The Ducks last loss was Nov. 7, 2009 in a 51-42 loss at Stanford.

**Individual Notes**

15. QB **Jarrett Lee** owns a 6-4 record as a starter during his career.
  - a. **Lee** fired his 19th career TD pass on a 10-yard strike to Rueben Randle with 0:44 left in the second quarter. It was his first passing TD since tossing the game-winning TD to Terrence Toliver last season at Florida.
16. DT **Anthony Johnson**, DT **Ego Ferguson** and WR **Jarvis Landry** all recorded a stat on their first career play. Johnson and Ferguson made a tackle on their first career play in the second and fourth quarters, respectively. Landry entered the game early in the second quarter and made a 3-yard catch.
17. PK **Drew Alleman** nailed his first career field goal attempt with a 44-yarder that put the Tigers on the board at the 11:14 mark of the first quarter. He added another with a 32-yarder with 14:07 in the fourth quarter.
18. CB **Tharold Simon** picked off his second career pass early in the second quarter. It was his second straight game with an interception with his other pick having come in this stadium as well in the Cotton Bowl.
19. CB **Tyrann Mathieu** forced a fumble and returned it three yards for a touchdown with 14:43 left in the second quarter. It was Mathieu's first career TD.
  - a. For **Mathieu** it was his sixth career forced fumble, moving him into a tie for second place in LSU career forced fumbles. He is now tied with Kelvin Sheppard (2007-10) and Clarence LeBlanc (1996-99).
  - b. **Mathieu** also set a career high with 10 total tackles, beating out the nine he had in the season opener a year ago against North Carolina.
20. WR **Rueben Randle** hauled in the sixth receiving touchdown of his career on a 10-yard pass from Jarrett Lee with 0:44 remaining in the second quarter. It was Randle's first TD since the Alabama game last season.
21. RB **Spencer Ware** tallied his second career rushing touchdown on a 1-yard run with 3:03 left in the third quarter.
  - a. **Ware** rushed for 99 yards on 26 carries, just missing his second career 100-yard game.
22. RB **Michael Ford** recorded his fourth career rushing touchdown on 5-yard run with 6:23 left in the third quarter and added his fifth career TD on a 16-yard run with 2:52 left in the game.
  - a. **Ford** finished with a career-high 96 yards and two touchdowns on 14 carries, and he tied his career high with two rushing TDs as he did it against McNeese State last season.