

LSU FOOTBALL POSTGAME NOTES

#5 LSU vs. #1 Alabama

November 3, 2012 – Tiger Stadium (Baton Rouge, La.)

Team Notes

1. LSU's game captains were 30 **Drew Alleman**, 1 **Eric Reid**, 68 **Josh Dworaczyk**, 88 **Chase Clement**, 49 **Barkevious Mingo**, 38 **Brad Wing**.
2. Alabama won the toss and deferred to the second half. LSU received the opening kickoff.
3. Tigers making their first career starts: RB **Jeremy Hill**. Hill is the 14th first-time starter for LSU this season and he is the fifth true freshman to start for the Tigers this season. The others this season: CB **Jalen Mills**, LB **Kwon Alexander**, LB **Lamar Louis**, RT **Vadal Alexander**.
4. This game represented just the fourth matchup of two top-five ranked teams in Tiger Stadium history. No. 1 LSU beat No. 3 Ole Miss 7-3 in 1959. No. 1 Florida defeated No. 4 LSU 13-3 in 2009. No. 1 LSU beat No. 3 Arkansas 41-17 in 2011.
5. This game also marks only the second time in school history LSU has faced four consecutive ranked opponents during the regular season. The only other time that happened was in 2007 when LSU faced No. 9 Florida, No. 17 Kentucky, No. 18 Auburn and No. 17 Alabama.
6. Tonight's attendance of 93,374 is the largest in the history of Tiger Stadium and the largest crowd to watch a football game in the state of Louisiana. That mark breaks the stadium's previous record of 93,129 against No. 1 Florida on Oct. 10, 2009.
7. LSU is now 31-3 under Les Miles when a running back rushes for at least 100 yards in a game. LSU had won 17 consecutive games when a RB eclipses 100 rushing yards dating back to the Tulane game in 2008.
8. LSU saw its nation-leading and school record home win streak come to an end at 22 games. It's the Tigers first home loss since losing to No. 1 Florida, 13-3, on Oct. 13, 2009. LSU had also won 15 straight night games in Tiger Stadium.
9. Head coach **Les Miles** lost for just the second time on a Saturday night in Tiger Stadium. Miles is now 36-2 in night games at home.
10. The LSU defense held Alabama scoreless in the first quarter. It was the first time this season that Alabama did not score in a first quarter this year. They had outscored opponents 104-3 coming in.
11. LSU's 90-yard touchdown drive culminating with Jarvis Landry's 14-yard catch in the fourth quarter was the Tigers' longest drive of the year, surpassing the previous long of 87 yards against Idaho.

Individual Notes

12. RB **Jeremy Hill** finished with a career-high 29 carries and rushed for 107 yards. Hill scored his sixth rushing touchdown of the season on a 1-yard run with 3:35 remaining in the third quarter.
 - a. **Hill** went over 100 yards for the third straight game, becoming the first Tiger running back to rush for 100 yards or more in three straight games since Charles Scott rushed for 100 or more in four straight games to open the 2008 season.
13. QB **Zach Mettenberger** threw for a career-high 298 yards on 24-of-35 throws. His previous best was 238 yards passing against Towson.
 - a. **Mettenberger** fired a 14-yard TD pass to Jarvis Landry with 12:58 in the fourth quarter, his eighth TD pass of the season and second against SEC competition. He threw a 29-yard TD pass to Kadron Boone at Texas A&M.
 - b. **Mettenberger** set career highs in yards (298), completions (24) and attempts (35) against Alabama.
14. PK **Drew Alleman** made 1-of-3 field goal attempts against Alabama, hitting from 38 yards with 6:11 to go in first quarter and missing from 54 yards (1:08 second quarter) and 45 yards (1:34 fourth quarter).
 - a. **Alleman** is now 29-of-38 for his career. His 29 field goals rank ninth in school history.
 - b. **Alleman** finished 2-of-2 on PATs, increasing his streak to 94 straight conversions. The streak ranks second in school history behind David Browndyke's 109 straight.
15. WR **Jarvis Landry** tied his career high with eight catches, equaling the total he had in the season opener against North Texas.
 - a. **Landry** led the team with 76 receiving yards, the second-most yards in a single game in his career behind the 82 he had in the opener versus North Texas.
16. DE **Sam Montgomery** recorded a sack with 49 seconds left in the first half. He now has 5.0 sacks this season and 16.0 in his career. He is also up to 29.5 tackles for a loss in his career, which is 0.5 shy of Kenny Bordelon (1972-75) who had 30.
 - a. **Montgomery** recovered a fumble with 1:06 left in the third quarter. It is the first fumble recovery of his career.
17. S **Jerqwinick Sandolph** recovered the first fumble of his career with 6:49 left in the second quarter.
18. S **Ronald Martin** tied his career high with five total tackles.