

# LSU FOOTBALL POSTGAME NOTES

#9/11 LSU vs. UAB

September 7, 2013 – Tiger Stadium (Baton Rouge, La.)

1. Kickoff was pushed back from 6:02 p.m. to 6:42 p.m. due to lightning detected in the area.
2. LSU's game captains were 70 **La'el Collins**, 9 **Ego Ferguson**, 48 **Seth Fruge**, 82 **James Wright** and 6 **Craig Loston**.
3. UAB won the toss and deferred to the second half. LSU received the opening kickoff.
4. Tigers making their first career appearances (eight): 24 **Jeryl Brazil** (RB in first quarter), 21 **Rashard Robinson**, 29 **Rickey Jefferson**, 15 **Quantavius Leslie**, 46 **Tashawn Bower**, 77 **Ethan Pocic**, 89 **A'Trey-U Jones**, 92 **Lewis Neal**,
5. A total of 85 true freshmen have now played under **Les Miles** in his tenure as head coach at LSU, including six tonight:
  - a. 24 **Jeryl Brazil** (RB in first quarter), 21 **Rashard Robinson**, 29 **Rickey Jefferson**, 46 **Tashawn Bower**, 77 **Ethan Pocic**, 92 **Lewis Neal**
6. Tiger players making their first career starts: TE **Logan Stokes**
7. LSU extended the nation's longest non-conference regular season winning streak to 43 consecutive games, which is also an FBS record. The last time LSU lost a non-conference regular season game was 2002 at Virginia Tech. LSU is now 33-0 under **Les Miles** in non-conference regular season tilts.
8. LSU's 35 points in the first half was the Tigers' most since putting up 35 in the second half of last year's Idaho game on Sept. 15.
  - a. It is the first time LSU has scored 35 points in the first half of a game since the Tigers did it on Nov. 19, 2011 at Ole Miss.
9. LSU had 5 passing touchdowns against UAB. The last time LSU accomplished that was Sept. 2, 2000 against western Carolina. LSU won 58-0.

## Offense

10. QB **Zach Mettenberger** improved to 12-3 as a starter and 8-1 in Tiger Stadium.
  - a. **Mettenberger** shattered the LSU single-game record for passing touchdowns with five: 29 yards to **Odell Beckham Jr.** with 6:13 to go in the first quarter, 22 yards to **Beckham Jr.** with 2:29 left in the first quarter, 24 yards to **Jarvis Landry** with 8:01 left in the second quarter and 14 yards to **Landry** with 6:16 to go in the third quarter.
  - b. **Mettenberger** now has 19 career touchdown passes (1 in 2011, 12 in 2012, 6 in 2013).
  - c. **Mettenberger** finished with a season-high 282 yards passing.
  - d. **Mettenberger** became the first LSU QB to throw three or more TDs in a half since JaMarcus Russell fired three in the first half of the Mississippi State game on Sept. 30, 2006.
11. WR **Odell Beckham Jr.** finished with five catches for 136 yards and three touchdowns, marking the fourth 100-yard game of his career (112 yards at Arkansas 2012, 128 vs. Towson 2012, 118 vs. TCU 2013). He has 100-yard receiving games in three of his last four contests dating back to last year.
  - a. **Beckham Jr.** scored four touchdowns against UAB (three receiving, one missed field goal return). He is the first LSU player to score four in a game since LaBrandon Toefield did it with four rushing TDs against Utah State on Sept. 8, 2001.
  - b. **Beckham Jr.** became the first LSU player with back-to-back 100-yard receiving games since Dwayne Bowe did it in 2006. Bowe had 111 vs. Kentucky (Oct. 14, 2006) and 106 against Fresno State (Oct. 21, 2006).
  - c. **Beckham Jr.** finished with 331 all-purpose yards. He now has a combined 603 all-purpose yards in the first two games of the year after finishing with 272 last week, which led the SEC and was third nationally. He had 204 all-purpose yards in tonight's first half.
  - d. **Beckham Jr.** set a career-high with three receiving touchdowns (29 yards with 6:13 on the clock, 22 yards with 2:29 to go and 27 yards with 12:02 left in the third quarter). The three TDs tie for third in LSU single-game annals and he is the first since Terrence Toliver did it in the 2011 Cotton Bowl against Texas A&M.
  - e. **Beckham Jr.** returned a failed 59-yard field goal attempt by UAB for 100 yards and a touchdown with 2:11 left in the third quarter.
12. RB **Jeremy Hill** made his first appearance of the season with 14:55 to go in the second quarter. He then scored on a 3-yard rushing touchdown – his first play of the season – with 14:20 to go in the quarter. It was Hill's 13<sup>th</sup> career rushing TD, which is the current leader on the team.
  - a. **Hill** finished with 50 yards and one touchdown on six carries.
13. TE **DeSean Smith** hauled in his first career catch with 11:00 remaining in the second quarter.
14. WR **Jarvis Landry** finished with five catches for 71 yards and two scores, including a 24-yarder with 8:01 to go in the second quarter and a 14-yard reception with 6:16 left in the third quarter.
  - a. Dating back to last season, he has now caught at least one touchdown in four straight games and six of his last seven contests.
  - b. He now has eight career touchdown catches.
15. RB **Kenny Hilliard** led the team with 54 yards on 11 carries and one TD. He scored a one-yard TD run on the last play of the first quarter.
16. Freshman QB **Anthony Jennings** completed the first pass of his career on an 11-yard strike to WR **Quantavius Leslie** late in the fourth quarter. It also marked Leslie's first catch at LSU.

## Defense

17. DE **Jordan Allen** recorded the first sack of his career on UAB's first drive of the game.
18. LB **Lamar Louis** posted a career-high seven tackles, tying **Lamin Barrow** for the team lead.
19. Freshman DE **Lewis Neal** combined for a sack with **Barrow**, marking the first sack of Neal's career.
20. DT **Quentin Thomas** recovered a fumble early in the second quarter, the first recovery of his career.