

BOWLING GREEN 2015 FALCON FOOTBALL Notes at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2015)

PREGAME NOTES

- Bowling Green enters Saturday's game with an all-time record of 2-0 against Purdue. Both wins have come against ranked Purdue teams at Ross-Ade Stadium.
- Dino Babers enters with a record of 9-8 at Bowling Green State University as head coach and a career record of 28-15.
- A win Saturday at Purdue would be Bowling Green's second road victory against a Big Ten Conference opponent this season. The last time the Falcons beat two Power Five conference opponents in the same season was in 2003. Bowling Green has never defeated two Big Ten Conference opponents on the road in the same season.
- Bowling Green's offense enters the game averaging 88.0 plays per game. The Falcons are the third-fastest offense in the country through three weeks.
- Bowling Green ran 105 plays in a week two win at Maryland the third time under Dino Babers the Falcons have eclipsed the 100-play mark.
- The Falcons are averaging 39.7 points per game and 609.3 yards per game.
- Matt Johnson leads the country in passing with 1,358 yards and 12 touchdowns through three weeks. He is the first player in school history to ever throw for 400 yards-or-more in three consecutive games. He is just the second player in school history to ever have three 400-yard performances in his career.
- Roger Lewis leads the country with 510 receiving yards and five touchdowns. He has surpassed 200 yards receiving in each of the past two weeks, just the second player in school history to ever have multiple 200-yard performances in a season.
- Linebacker Austin Valdez leads the team in tackles with 38 through three weeks. Last week in a loss to Memphis, Valdez had 20 tackles just the third 20-tackle performance at BGSU since 2000.
- Aided by three interceptions at Maryland two weeks ago, Bowling Green enters Saturday's game with a plus-two turnover margin.

IN-GAME NOTES

- Matt Johnson was an efficient 12-for-16 for 149 yards passing in the first quarter.
- The Falcons ran 26 plays for 169 yards in the first quarter
- Donovan Wilson had two rushing touchdowns in the first half marking his first career two-touchdown game.
- Ronnie Moore (20), Ryan Burbrink (19) and Roger Lewis (18) all extended their streaks for consecutive games with a reception.
- Gehrig Dieter's seven first-half receptions tie his career-high for a single-game, which he has done three other times in a BGSU uniform. With a third-quarter reception, Dieter set a new career-high in receptions.
- Austin Valdez' fourth-quarter interception that sealed the win was the first of his career.

POSTGAME NOTES

- Matt Johnson became the first player in school history to have four 400-yard passing games in his career. He has done so in each of the first four weeks this season.
- The win marks the first time BGSU has defeated two Big Ten teams on the road in the same season.
- The win marks the first time BGSU has beaten two Big Ten teams in one season since 2003.
- Head coach Dino Babers improves to 3-1 over Big Ten opponents in two years at Bowling Green.
- BGSU surpassed 500 yards of offense for the fourth straight game in 2015.
- BGSU has scored at least 30 points in all four games this year.
- Matt Johnson's 43 completions are tied for third-most all-time at BGSU and the most in his career.
- Matt Johnson's 59 passing attempts is tied for fifth-most all-time at BGSU.
- BGSU has rushed for 120+ yards in every game in 2015.
- Trent Greene recorded 11 tackles, just the third double-digit tackle game of his career.