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East Carolina Head Coach Scottie Montgomery

On the ground game throughout the game:

"They stopped the run and we couldn't get anything going. We didn't protect the passer, we lost field position. Very disappointed in how we played. As far as protecting the passer and running the football, it was not good. We had to throw the ball in almost every situation. Then when we threw it we had some good opportunities to throw and catch for some touchdowns but we didn't take care of it."

Comments on special teams play:

"The kickoff return for a touchdown was just heartbreaking because of how much time we have spent in practice. We are spending a large amount of time in practice messing with the personnel, tweaking this, tweaking that and we get out there and our five, four or three out there is a hole as big as days and they ran right into it."

Update on Philip Nelson:

"I don't know anything yet but we will know more this evening. He was on the ground quite a bit and it had nothing to do with that end play. We just didn't protect him that's all."



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UCF Head Coach Scott Frost

"That was just a great team win. We can play better than that. I think we played sloppy. I think that they played sloppy too and gave us some gifts. When a team can battle like we did and make plays on offense, defense and special teams, it was just a wonderful team win for our program."

"I think that Adrian Killins' kick return was big. I thought that the punt that went to the 2-yard line and led to a safety was big. Hitting some passes offensively in the third quarter was big. (Brendon) Hayes' interception was also a big play. It really broke the game open. All of those things were really important aspects of what I say was a great team win for us."

On Defense:

"Our defense has done a wonderful job and our coaching staff has done a great job. We were struggling a little bit to begin with offensively and we knew we would. This is a good defense that we're playing against, but defense kept us in it. The defense got us some points. Special teams got us some points and the offense struck when it needed to."

On Dontravious Wilson:

"We've got a lot of running backs that can play and Dontravious did a good job today. All of them are just so unselfish though. Any of those guys can get yards. Dontravious has had two great weeks in a row."

On the Beginning of the Fourth Quarter:

"I think that's the best part of what I saw today. A lot of teams when they give up a lead like that, they can implode. Our team answered the bell again and scored, then defense scored, and even at the end of the game when they got a touchdown and were calling time outs, we came back with another touchdown. When our guys come out and answer the bell like that and come out scoring even when things go wrong, that's going to work well for us this year. "