

2015 FIU Game Notes

FIU 34, Middle Tennessee 42

Oct. 17, 2015

Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium – Murfreesboro, Tenn.



- Today's captains – **Richard Leonard, Alex McGough, Jephete Matilus, Jonnu Smith**
- Middle Tennessee won the toss. The Blue Raiders deferred to the second half.
- With today's loss, FIU is now 4-7 all-time versus Middle Tennessee.
- Today marked FIU's fifth road game of the season. The Panthers are now 1-4 away from Ocean Bank Field at FIU Stadium in 2015.
- Today marked FIU's sixth contest all-time in Murfreesboro, Tenn. The Panthers are now 1-5 all-time versus the Blue Raiders in Murfreesboro.
- Jonnu Smith extended his streak of consecutive games with a reception to 31 games. Smith finished the day with five catches for 62 yards.
- Richard Leonard recorded his first interception of the season and the ninth of his career.
- Alex Gardner recorded his first-collegiate receiving touchdown with a 2-yard catch in the first quarter.
- Gardner rushed for 93 yards on 16 carries, including a touchdown. The Jacksonville, Fla., native has scored a rushing touchdown in three-straight games.
- Alex McGough's interception in the second quarter snapped a string of 138-straight passes without a pick – third-longest streak in school history.
- McGough recorded 260 yards on 29-of-51 passing and two touchdowns.
- McGough has thrown for 200-or-more yards in six of the team's seven games this season.
- Sophomore Thomas Owens tied his career-best in receptions with 10 versus the Blue Raiders.
- Owens recorded 118 yards receiving and one touchdown.
- The Boynton Beach, Fla., native has caught a touchdown pass in six-straight games.
- Senior Akil Dan-Fodio had career-highs in receptions (6) and receiving yards (48).