FLORIDA STATE

FOOTBALL

3 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | 15 ACC CHAMPIONSHIPS | 45 FIRST-ROUND PICKS

FINAL: FSU 31, NC STATE 13

- » Quarterback **Alex Hornibrook** passed for a career-high 316 yards, including three touchdowns in his first career start for the Noles. He completed 29-of-40 attempts, matching his career-high on attempts, for the his first 300-yard game. The fifth-year graduate transfer was 26-6 as a starter at Wisconsin.
- » With its 301st career victory at Doak Campbell Stadium, Florida State moved to 3-2 on the year and 2-1 in ACC play. FSU has now won back-to-back conference games for the first time since the 2016 season.
- » The Noles were turnover-free for the third consecutive game and came away with two fumble recoveries, pushing their season total to six, doubling their 2018 season total.
- » Florida State's defense held NC State to a season-low 88 rushing yards on 28 carries. The Wolfpack entered the game averaging 212 yards a contest. It marked the first time the Wolfpack had been held under 100 yards rushing since managing 47 against Wake Forest on Nov. 8, 2018 10 games ago.
- » **Tamorrion Terry** had touchdown receptions of 43 and 9 yards, matching his single-game career-high. His 43-yard score with 4:59 remaining in the first half put the Noles in front to stay at 10-6. He now has 12 career TD receptions (500 yards) and is averaging 41.7 yards per scoring reception. Terry finished with 5 receptions for 77 yards against the Wolfpack.
- » Bottled up much of the night, tailback **Cam Akers** sealed the game with his 41-yard touchdown run. Akers' score came on a fourth-and-1 play and marked his second such fourth-down score of the season. He had a 38-yard TD run against Boise State in the opener. Akers finished with 83 rushing yards on 17 carries, pushing his season total to 582 yards through five games.
- » Akers' 20th career rushing touchdown moves him into a tie for 11th on FSU's all-time list with **James Wilder Jr.** and **Mark Lyles...**he also moved past **Devonta Freeman** and **Antone Smith** to take over sole possession of ninth place on the career rushing yards list with 2,311.
- » For the second time this season the Noles had 10 players with a reception in a game, but it marked the first time that all 10 had at least two receptions. Ten Noles had receptions against Boise State in the opener.
- » **Ontaria Wilson** had the finest night of his career, notching single-game career highs for receptions (4) and yards (91) and highlighted by a career-long 40-yard touchdown reception, the first of his career.
- » The Noles seized control of the game at the close of the first half with touchdowns on their final two possessions. With Hornibrook dicing the Wolfpack defense underneath, FSU wiped out a 6-3 deficit on scoring drives of 75 and 61 yards, which totaled 15 plays and 3:18 of possession time. The

CAPTAINS & COIN TOSS

CAPTAINS

QB James Blackman DT Marvin Wilson LB DeCalon Brooks COIN TOSS

NC State won the toss and chose to receive.

KICKOFF WEATHER

TEMPERATURE

DEFENSE

Leonard Warner III Marvin Wilson CONDITIONS Sunny WIND SE 7 mph

FSU STARTERS

<u>OFFENSE</u>							
		'16	'17	'18	'19	Career	Consec.
Cam Akers	RB	-	4	10	5	19	10
Mike Arnold	RG	-	-	11	5	13	5
Abdul Bello	LT	-	-	2	3	5	3
Keyshawn Helton	WR	-	-	1	3	4	3
Alex Hornibrook*	QB	9*	14*	9*	1	33/1	1
Baveon Johnson	С	-	-	-	5	5	5
Tre' McKitty	TE	-	-	10	5	15	11
Ryan Roberts	RT	-	-	-	5	5	5
Brady Scott	LG	-	-	6	5	11	5
Tamorrion Terry	WR	-	-	11	5	16	16
Ontaria Wilson	WR	-	-	5	5	7	5

*at Wisconsin

		'16	'17	'18	'19	Career	Consec.
Robert Cooper	NT	-	-	-	5	5	5
Cory Durden	DT	-	-	1	5	6	5
Cyrus Fagan	S	-	-	-	4	4	4
Amari Gainer	EDGE	-	-	-	1	1	1
Dontavious Jackson	LB	1	5	10	3	16	1
Janarius Robinson	EDGE	-	-	8	4	12	5
Asante Samuel	CB	-	-	3	5	8	7
Stanford Samuels III	CB	-	1	11	5	17	16
Levonta Taylor	S	-	13	8	3	24	2

Noles accounted for 136 of their 169 first half yards on those two drives.

- » FSU finished the night 2-for-2 on red zone scoring opportunities with a touchdown and a field goal. The Noles are now 16-of-18 on red zone scoring opportunities this season, with 13 touchdowns and 3 field goals. Dating back to week two of last season, the Noles are 40 of 46 (.870) in the red zone.
- » With its 31-point output the Noles have scored at least 24 points in each of its first five games to a start a season for only the fourth time since the 2000 season, and the first time since the 2013 National Championship campaign. FSU led 17-6 at the half, and is now outscoring its opponents 107-49 in the first half. The Noles are +58 in the first half this season. They were -73 in the first half in 2018.
- » FSU led 3-0 at the end of the first quarter and has outscored its first five opponents 59-9 in the opening quarter (+50).
- » Safety **Cyrus Fagan** led a spirited FSU defense with a career-high 10 tackles (8 solo) and added a fumble recovery. **Amari Gainer**, making his first career start, had a career-best 9 tackles and 2 sacks, and his late fourth-quarter forced fumble denied the Wolfpack a touchdown. **Emmett Rice** came up with the recovery in the end zone.
- » Keyshawn Helton broke off a career-long 58-yard kickoff return in the second half.
- » With his 37-yard field goal in the first quarter, **Ricky Aguayo** moved into eighth-place alone on the all-time scoring list with 297 points, breaking his tie with Warrick Dunn. He finished the game with 299 points but was relieved by **Parker Grothaus**, who handled the final two PATs of the game.
- » **Personnel Matters:** Edge defender and Tallahassee native **Amari Gainer** made the first start of his career...true freshman defensive end Derrick McLendon II and redshirt freshman defensive lineman Malcolm Lamar made the first appearances of their careers.
- » The United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) Para-Commandos delivered the game ball via parachute jump. Based at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida, USSOCOM represents the 85,000 Special Operations Forces from the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines serving across the nation and in more than 75 countries around the world.
- » FSU's victory came on the 500th game called by the Voice of the Seminoles, Gene Deckerhoff.