

# ULM WARHAWK FOOTBALL



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### ULM Head Coach Todd Berry

#### *Opening Statement...*

"Every win is a good win, that one wasn't as clean as I would have liked. But we are excited about the win. The special teams impacted the game dramatically tonight, and that was good to see. That was the first time that our special teams have truly impacted the game. Offensively, I thought we played pretty well. They gave us something completely different again than what we thought we were going to get, and I think we adjusted very well, coming up with some big plays."

"It was nice to get Brent back in the game. The past couple games he has been a little quiet- not because of him but some of the things we have been seeing from the defensive perspective. Defensively, we played well at times. The secondary is still not playing up to what I think they are capable of. It is something we need to continue to focus on."

#### *On South Alabama surprises...*

"I was surprised at all the man coverage we got. They went to an odd front with a thief linebacker and everyone else was locked up playing man. So, that was completely new to us. Every time we brought a tight end, they matched up with a four down front and had someone mirroring our wing tight end which was a little unique. Once we got into it, I thought we played pretty well on the offensive side of the ball."

#### *On not scoring in 1st quarter...*

"I think what it is is we are seeing people not do what they normally do. There is always going to be a little bit of that whenever someone does something unique. Once you figure out what's going on, there aren't a whole lot of other answers for that."

"They play extremely hard and are extremely disciplined. They have some athletes. Look at the Mississippi State tape. If they don't have a couple turnovers, that's a whole different game. They have gotten better since then. I think their quarterback really played well tonight."

#### *On South Alabama changing their system...*

"I think this is a great credit to those players. When someone is gonna change their system for you, that is a great compliment. Now, it does take some time to get acclimated. Our first twelve scripted snaps was a bunch of different personal groups to see what was going on. The next twelve plays was to say where is the correlation? Is it just the personal grouping in conjunction with, or is it the formation? We figured that out and told the kids and they played well. Every time we see one of these new looks, it is something we can put into the bank with these kids for down the road."

### South Alabama Coach Joey Jones

#### *Opening Statement...*

"Obviously, we played pretty good football for three quarters. I thought we played tough and I thought we played some good football. ULM is a very good football team. They're number one in the league and here we are a brand new program. I'm proud of the way we played for three quarters. In the fourth quarter, they kind of took it under control a little bit. (Kolton Browning) and the receivers made some great plays, but overall I'm

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proud. There are some things we could have done better, obviously, but I'm proud of where we are and I'm proud of what we accomplished today. We have to be honest with ourselves: anything that happened negatively, we fix them, and we're probably in the game a little more.

*On Kolton Browning's play...*

"He showed me he's probably the best player in the league. He's a great player. He makes plays. He's everything I thought he was going to be. ULM had this group for the last couple of years. They've been playing with them and Coach Berry talked with me before the game and talked about how much they matured as a team. You can tell that they are a really mature football team, and my hat is off to them. They've got a great team, but the positive side of it is we're pretty close to a team that's really good in the conference and that's close to the top of the conference. We just need to work on us and fixing ourselves and if we fix some things here and there, we're going to be there."

*On going into next week...*

"We need to work hard to climb up this conference ladder. Obviously, we just lost to the number one team in the league. There are some other teams we're playing and we want to earn our respect in this league and play well in the remaining games we have on our schedule."

*On Ross Metheny and the offensive line...*

"I thought Ross had another good game. I haven't looked at the stats yet, but I feel like he played a good game. For the most part, I thought we protected him well, although we didn't catch the ball very well tonight. I think we probably had six or seven drops that hurt us at times, but I was real pleased with the way he ran the offense."