

Post-Game Notes

Washington at USC

Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, Nov. 4, 2023

Washington is 9-0 for just the fourth time in school history. Here are the five previous seasons that the Huskies started 8-0: 1984 (lost game 10; finished 11-1-0); 1991 (finished 12-0-0); 2016 (lost game 10, finished 12-2).

Washington has won 16 straight games, the second-longest active streak in the country, behind Georgia, and the third-longest in Husky history (longer UW streaks: 40 straight wins 1908-16; 22 straight wins 1990-92).

Dillon Johnson's second-quarter, 52-yard touchdown run was the longest rushing play of the season for the Huskies. It also put Johnson over 100 yards rushing for the game (he had 10 carries for 104 yards after that play), giving him the second 100-yard game in his career (either at UW or Mississippi State). Johnson finished with 256 yards on 20 carries. Johnson's previous career high was 100 yards, on 20 carries vs. Oregon earlier this season.

Johnson's 256 rushing yards were fifth-most ever by a Husky, and most since Chris Polk went for 284 in the 2010 Apple Cup vs. Washington State. The other three higher totals: Hugh McElhenny, 296 vs. WSU, 1950; Corey Dillon, 259 vs. Oregon, 1996; and Credell Green, 258 vs. WSU, 1955.

Johnson's four rushing TDs are tied for fourth-most in UW single-game history. Ervine Daily scored seven rushing TDs vs. Whitman College in 1919. Dillon (UCLA, 1996) and McElhenny (WSU, 1950) each had a five-touchdown game. Myles Gaskin rushed for four TDs twice (WSU, 2017; and Southern Miss, 2015 Heart of Dallas Bowl), while Pete Taggares rushed for four scores vs. UCLA in 1972.

Before tonight's game, Washington had never scored more than 34 points in a game vs. USC. The Huskies blanked the Trojans, 34-0, in 1960, but had never scored more, before or since. Of course, tonight, the Huskies reached 35 points in the first half.

Since missing the first field-goal attempt of his career earlier this season, UW's Grady Gross has now made eight in a row.

Washington's 316 rushing yards were most since the 2017 Apple Cup, when the Huskies rushed for 328.

UW head coach Kalen DeBoer is now 99-11 as a head coach, and is 20-2 at UW.