

Post-Game Notes
Washington vs. California
Husky Stadium, Sept. 23, 2023

Last season, Rome Odunze was the first Husky ever to have four straight 100-yard receiving games. Through four games in 2023, he's matched his own record.

With 45 points in the opening half, UW tied the school record for most points in a half. The Huskies had done it four prior times in a first half (most recently, at Oregon State in 2015) and once before in the second half.

Cal's record for most points allowed in a half was also 45, by Alabama in the second half of game in 1973. Tonight's first-half total was most ever allowed by the Bears in the first half, breaking the mark of 42, by Washington State in 1997.

Washington has scored 40-plus points in all four games this season, marking the first time that UW has scored 40 or more in four straight within a single season since 1944, when UW opened with two lopsided wins each over Willamette and Whitman. In 2015, the Huskies finished the year with three straight 40-point games and in 2016, they opened with three more, meaning the school record is six games, though those six spanned two seasons.

The scores of those first four games of 1944: UW 71, Willamette 0; UW 65, Whitman 6; UW 40, Willamette 6; and UW 71, Whitman 0. UW was the only major college program in the Pacific Northwest to field a team in '44, due to World War II.

Prior to the start of this season, Washington had had just eight games in its history with two players finishing with 100 or more receiving yards (including two such games last year). So far this season, Washington has had two players with 100 receiving yards in all four games:

- vs. Boise State: Rome Odunze (132) & Ja'Lynn Polk (101)
- vs. Tulsa: Jalen McMillan (120) & Odunze (107)
- at Michigan State: Odunze (180) & Polk (118)
- vs. California: Odunze (127) & Polk (125)

Sixth-year senior Edefuan Ulofoshio notched his first career interception, which he returned for a touchdown on the game's first possession. It was the first defensive score of the year for the Huskies. It was also the first interception returns for a score since Byron Murphy's in the 2018 Pac-12 Championship game win over Utah.

Odunze's 83-yard punt return for a touchdown was his first, and the first by a Husky since an 88-yarder by Aaron Fuller at BYU in 1999. Odunze's tied for the 11th-longest in Husky history.

Washington led 14-0 prior its offensive unit ever taking the field.

Senior safety Dominique Hampton also notched his first career interception, late in the first quarter.

Washington's three interceptions in the game given them seven for the year, matching their total from all of the 2022 season.

UW has converted its 7 takeaways this season into 6 TDs and 1 FG. By contrast, opponents have scored after just one of the four turnovers that UW has committed.

Penix has thrown multiple touchdowns (two or more) in 14 of his 17 games as a Husky. He also passed for 300 or more yards in 14 of 17.

Washington hasn't allowed a quarterback sack since the first pass play of the season, on the first offensive possession in the opener vs. Boise State.

Washington scored 40 or more points for the 10th time in the 17-game UW tenure of head coach Kalen DeBoer. The Huskies also scored 37, 38, and 39 points in games last year, falling just shy of 40 on those three occasions.

UW head coach Kalen DeBoer is now 94-11 as a head coach.