

Washington vs. UC Davis Postgame Quotes
Alaska Airlines Field at Husky Stadium
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Washington Head Coach Jedd Fisch

Opening Statement

Appreciate y'all being here so late - hopefully this is our latest game that we have the rest of the year. That'll be our goal. But that was a fun game for the University of Washington. I thought our crowd was great. Though our crowd was loud. We had a couple of false starts due to crowd noise, delay of game, causing time outs. So that was awesome. It was awesome to see our crowd get into this game. It's awesome to have a 22 game home win streak. That's pretty cool. And now we're going to focus on getting the Apple Cup back... Really, proud with the way we played tonight, I thought really overall as a team, we couldn't have done many things better than we did. Probably could have taken the ball away one or two more times. We had some chances. A couple penalties kept two drives alive. Outside of that, scoring on special teams, taking the ball way on defense, getting an amount of stops, keeping a team under 225 yards, and then also the fact that on offense - to be able to score on nine drives, nine touchdowns. So excited about the team. Excited about where we're at and obviously, I know, it's time to start focusing on trying to get that Apple Cup back.

Do you have an update on Rashid Williams?

Yeah, we'll know better tomorrow after we get an MRI and an X-ray, but it didn't look great. So we'll just kind of wait and see what that means, but, you know, I would assume he'll be out at least for the next few weeks.

How do you evaluate your game like this, against a team where you guys have kind of a big talent advantage?

Make sure that you play to the talent advantage would be the most important thing. We've all seen these games. You could turn on the TV today, you can see games that you know, you would think were big talent advantages and some of those games were a lot closer than teams wanted them, and then there were other games that looked like this. The most important thing you have to do is to be able to run the ball when they know you can run it, throw the ball when they know you can throw it and beat the team that, you know, you have that talent gap with, and we know that, we know the situation. And I thought that they would be a good team and they're gonna be good in their conference, and they're going to be good in their division. But really, what I'm most proud of is we do what we're supposed to do.

What do you think about Jonah's overall performance and the legacy that he's leaving here at Washington?

I mean, he had 15 carries and five of them were touchdowns, so, pretty good performance. I also want to say that he won the Academic Athlete of the Year for our football team. The

highest cumulative GPA of our entire football team - a 3.91, over the year that he's been here. So we were able to reward him for that as well. So a pretty cool day. He posted on his Twitter yesterday and his Instagram yesterday the awards that he got from our academic services and then today, you have five touchdowns. It's a pretty good weekend.

Washington RB Jonah Coleman

Career day, just what was working well for you out there?

My teammates. Offensive line. Receivers blocking downfield. The mentality that we took into the game.

How do you measure a performance against a team where you're playing, you know, a big talent gap?

I mean - it just came down to our mentality at the end of the day. You know, we took it as if we were playing, one of the top teams in the nation. At the end of the day, we knew we were the better team, and that they couldn't hang with us, so we just went in there and did what we was supposed to do.

When you're having a game like that do you want to stay in and play more even though you know you're gonna come out?

No, I want to see my teammates getting in there, you know, it's their turn. I wanted to see Adam get a touchdown and Jordan get a touchdown or, you know. It was exciting to see those kinds of scores for touchdowns and stuff like that. You know, so I did my part, we already did our part, stuff like that. So it was really time to celebrate my teammates.

Washington WR Denzel Boston

Denzel, a couple weeks in now, still coming off the surgery and everything. How do you feel that your timing with Demond has improved over the first two games?

You know, I feel like it's been good, and you know, I feel like there's still a lot of meat on the bone for us, you know, I feel like we could definitely hit the ground with some more stuff and I feel like we're doing a great job together and I feel like there's only growth that can happen here.

When you're able to say that as a team after you, posting 70 points, how does that make you feel just, you, going into a bye week and then Washington State on the other side of that?

It definitely feels great. It definitely gives us a lot of confidence, a lot of momentum, and now we get to get our bodies right over this bye week and then, you know, come back into WSU's house and see what we can do.

What was your view of Dezmen (Roebuck)'s touchdown?

Beautiful. Oh, my gosh. I'd looked to my right and he cut, once he made that cut, back cross field, I already knew it was a touchdown. You can see me pointing on the field. Oh, yeah, that's a touchdown.

What were some of the things that you liked that you saw about some of the young receivers you got involved?

You know, just explosion, you know, Raiden goes and is making the explosive plays, we bring Dez, and he also makes an explosive play. These cats are explosive and it's gonna add a new dimension to our offense.

Can you tell me about that punt return and just what you saw?

Yeah, you know, coming into the end of the half, it was on my mind. I was just telling myself, I'm gonna return this point, you know what I mean? I knew I had the ability and I'm just glad I got to showcase it tonight, and you know, I got to give that to God, just giving me that opportunity. And, you know, like I told them earlier, I've always been about special teams. It's important to me. I've built my career on special teams. When I was a freshman, playing all four phases.

UC Davis Head Coach Tim Plough

Opening Statement

"We're not a pat on the back program, so I'm not going to accept any pats on the back when we play games like this. They are what they are. Realistically, this funds our athletic program. Games like this helps all of our sports, at UC Davis, and I'm proud that the football team wears that badge every year and plays games like this, and it also gives our guys a great opportunity to play up and play great teams in great environments and the Washington team is a great team. Everything that I saw today says that they got a chance to be good. They did some great things, and there's some stuff that we didn't play well enough to play a team that level and paid for it the hard way. I'm proud of our team. We got a lot of guys into the game. We got out healthy for the most part. Now our real season starts. We'll come back. It's been a brutal three games. We've flown to Alabama, flown to Utah, flown to Washington, got home at 3 a.m. three Sundays in a row. Found a way to still win two games in my mind and be ready to go try to win a championship. We'll get back, use this bye week, and get ready to finally play some games at home. But I'm proud of the team and give a lot of credit to coach Jedd Fisch and the Huskies. They're a tremendous team, expect them to have a great year."

How important is it for you to come out of this game as healthy as you did?

It's hard because our guys are competitive and we're going to try and win the game, but there's always a chance in games like this that it gets to a point where you've got to get guys out of the game. I know the Connors brothers weren't happy or Sam Gbatu's (Jr.) not happy when we take them out at halftime or Caden Pinnick, guys like that. It gets to a point where we tried to compete as well as we could, score got to where it was. Let's get everybody a chance to play and hopefully get back healthy because I told you guys all week

this game has no bearing on anything we want to accomplish. It's a one night, one-hit game that sometimes you can make a special memory, like we did 20 years ago, but for the most part, it's going to be realistic in a lot of those situations and tonight was one of those nights.

Despite the result, you talk about getting everybody in, what's the positive you can take in getting a lot of guys into games just to kind of get them on tape, see some of those backups play, in an atmosphere like this that you may not see the during the season?

With the new red shirt rule that they started years back, you can play guys in four games, and so you get a chance to get guys like Kameron Totton out there playing a lot more and I told the team that when I think about this game years from now, I'll think about Cole Batson. That'll be the guy that I think about. He was out there, played the whole second half for Rex (Connors). He's on every special teams. He's making every tackle, but he had been through a war. I remember guys like that, that's true Aggie pride. It's great to get those guys the reps. Treynor Cleeland, who's our true freshman quarterback, who's a local kid, parents went to Washington, they're legends at UW, and for him to get out there and get his first collegiate completion, that was cool. Little things like that, you'll remember for a long time.

With your upcoming bye week, what do you plan to prioritize with the team before heading into your next game on September 20th?

The big thing for us is that we haven't played our best football in three games. We've had a lot of mental errors. We have a lot of young guys that are playing, a lot of them in their first football games. We continue to make mental errors that holds us back in all three phases, and we're going to need to cut those out. We've got to look at it as a staff, what are we doing from a preparation standpoint that those errors keep happening and then what are we doing as a team to make sure we do things the right way. A bye week allows you extra practice time, so hopefully you can put together a good plan where we can eliminate the mental errors and go play ball. That's been something in the first three games that showed up multiple times, which starts with me and our staff, making sure we get these guys ready to play.