

Western Michigan Postgame Notes

Western Michigan 34, Illinois 10

Sept. 17, 2016

Champaign, Ill., Memorial Stadium

Attendance: 40,954

Getting Started

- Today's game captains are: Zach Terrell, Jarvion Franklin, Taylor Moton and Robert Spillane
- Illinois won the toss and elected to defer.

Starters- (offense)- Terrell (QB), Bogan (RB), Okorafor (LT), Day (LG), Keenoy (C) Juriga (RG), Moton (RT), Davis (WR), Thompson (WR), Henry (SB), Ernsberger (TE)

(Defense)- Assoua (DE), Curle (NT), Turner (3T) Adams (DE) Brown (SAM), Bailey (MIKE), Spillane (WILL), Tranquill (SS), Ferguson (FS), Phillips (CB), Beal (CB)

Bronco Notables

- Justin Ferguson made his first career start at safety.
- Caleb Bailey's fumble recovery at the end of the first quarter was the first of his career.
- Eric Assoua's sack which forced the fumble was the first of his career.
- Carrington Thompson tied his career-high in catches with three.
- Jarvion Franklin moved into second place alone at Western Michigan with 31 career rushing touchdowns.
- Corey Davis finished with four catches for 97 yards, giving him 4,102 yards for his career.
- He is 85 yards away from catching former Bronco Jordan White for the all-time Western Michigan and MAC record with 4,187.
- Jamauri Bogan finished with 189 rushing yards. It is the second time in his career to rush for 189 or more and the third time to go over 150 yards.
- It was his fourth straight game over 100 yards dating back to last season.
- Robert Spillane recorded his first career interception.

Team Notes

- Western Michigan started 3-0 for the first time since 1994.
- Western Michigan has defeated two Power 5 teams in the same season for the first time in school history.
- The 34 points scored is the most against a Power 5 opponent since also scoring 34 at Missouri in 1999
- The 10 points allowed is the fewest to a Power 5 opponent in program history.
- This is the fourth time in Mid-American Conference history a team has beaten two Big Ten opponents in the same season.
- Western Michigan outrushed Illinois 287-3.
- The Broncos outgained the Illini 437-315. It is the second straight week the Broncos have allowed exactly 315. Against Northwestern, Western Michigan allowed 319.
- Illinois was held to 1-of-11 on third down.