



2016 FOOTBALL
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2016 Pac-12 Football Championship

Dec. 2, 2016 | Levi's Stadium | Santa Clara, Calif.

Attendance - 47,118

Most Valuable Player – DB Taylor Rapp (Washington)

Postgame Notes

A Long Time Coming...

Washington earned its first Pac-12 title since the 2000 season and its 16th conference title overall.

Kings of the North...

Washington's victory improved the Pac-12 North Division to 6-0 in Pac-12 Championship games (Stanford 3-0, Oregon 2-0).

What Can Browning Do For You?

-With his second touchdown pass of the game, Jake Browning moved into a tie with Marcus Mariota (42) for second on the Pac-12 single season touchdown pass list, trailing only Jared Goff's record of 43.

-It wasn't always pretty, but Browning earned the victory despite completed a season-low nine passes in the contest – two of which going for six points.

Ross Is Boss...

-John Ross's acrobatic 19-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter was his 17th of the season, second in the nation behind only Corey Davis of Michigan (18).

-He is now second in Pac-12 single-season history – and oddly UW history as well – trailing fellow Husky Mario Bailey's 1991 record of 18.

-With four receptions in the game, Ross moved into fourth in Husky single-season history with 76 receptions this season.

Stop Us If You Can...

-Washington rushed for 148 yards in the first half, notable as Colorado entered the game ranked 33rd nationally in allowing just 135.9 rushing yards per game this season.

-Myles Gaskin (142 yards) and Lavon Coleman (101 yards) became the first pair of teammates to eclipse 100 rushing yards in a Pac-12 Football Championship Game.

-It was also the first time Washington has had multiple players rush for over 100 yards since Nov. 23, 2013 against Oregon State (three players).

-Washington improved to 2-7-65-3 since 1947 when a Husky player rushes for over 100 yards and are 8-0 this season when that occurs.

The Huskies are 91-16-1 since 1990 when rushing for over 200 yards as a team.

Getting His Phil...

-Phillip Lindsay's rushing touchdown in the first quarter was his 16th of the season, moving him into a tie for ninth nationally this season in rushing touchdowns. He has now scored a touchdown in 10 of Colorado's 13 games this season.

Low-Scoring Affair...

-Both teams were held under their first-quarter scoring average for the season with Washington averaging 13.5 entering the game and Colorado sitting at 10.0. Entering the contest, Washington led the country in first quarter points per game against FBS opposition while Colorado was 17th at 9.6 points per game. Washington was ranked

third nationally averaging 26.0 points per first half against FBS opposition this season while Colorado was 28th at 18.8 first half points per game.

Can't Hold 'Em Down...

-Despite the slow start, Washington reached the 40-point mark for the 10th time this season. They entered the game third nationally at 44.8 points per game...

A Punt Above the Rest...

-Tristan Vizcaino's 62-yard punt in the third quarter was a Pac-12 Football Championship Game record.

That Was Tight...

-Darrell Daniels' second quarter touchdown reception was the first by a tight end in a Pac-12 Football Championship game since the inaugural 2011 game where there were three total (two by UCLA's Nelson Rosario, one by Oregon's David Paulson).

What Just Happened?...

-Oddly enough, Colorado set two Pac-12 FCG records on the same kickoff return in the third quarter. Anthony Julmisse received credit for a 48-yard kickoff return before fumbling the ball, a new Pac-12 FCG record for longest kickoff return. Phillip Lindsay scooped up that fumble and returned it 48 yards to the Washington 2-yard line, receiving credit for return yards despite not receiving credit for a return. As such, both Julmisse and Lindsay now hold the record for longest kickoff return in a Pac-12 Championship Game.

A Hand In the Cookie Jar...

-Prior to tonight's game, no team in Pac-12 FCG history had thrown more than one interception in a game (5 occurrences). Washington intercepted three passes in the effort.
-Colorado had not thrown three interceptions in a game since the UCLA game earlier this season.

#Cookies...

-With three interceptions in the game, it marks the third time this season that Washington reached the mark and the third time in the last five games.
-Washington now has 19 interceptions this season, good for fourth nationally.
-Washington's 33 takeaways this season are first in the FBS.
-Washington has outscored its opposition 119-21 this season in points of takeaways.

That's a Rapp...

-Taylor Rapp intercepted his third pass of the season on the first play of the second half, returning it 35 yards for a touchdown. It was the second pick-six in Pac-12 Football Championship Game history (UCLA's Patrick Larimore, 35 yards, 2011). It was the second interception return for a touchdown for the Huskies this season.
-It was the first interception return for a touchdown by a Colorado opponent since UCLA's Ishmael Adams did so last season (Oct. 31.).
-Rapp's two interceptions in the contest matched his total for the season coming into the game (also coming in a two-interception effort against USC) and marked the first time a single player had intercepted two passes in Pac-12 Football Championship Game.

Out Of The Gates...

-Washington scored on its opening drive of the game for the eighth time this season while it was the FIRST time this season that Colorado had allowed a score on its opponent's opening drive. Colorado entered the game having outscored its opposition 49-0 on opening drives this season.
-The Huskies have outscored the opposition 328-88 in the first half of the contest after outscoring the Buffaloes 14-7 in the first half.

In A Rush...

-Washington rushed for two touchdowns against the Buffaloes, who had allowed just 10 rushing touchdowns all season (11th nationally) coming into the night.
-It was just the third time this season an opponent rushed for multiple touchdowns against the Buffalo defense.

Not On Our Watch...

-In addition to the turnovers, the Washington defense held Colorado to a season-low 163 yards of total offense – a new Pac-12 FCG record.

-It was the first time Colorado logged under 200 yards of total offense since Nov. 17, 2012 – also against Washington.

-It was the second time this season Washington held an opponent under 200 yards of total offense (Portland State).

One Man Wrecking Crew...

-Colorado's Kenneth Olugbode had a career-best 19 tackles, setting a Pac-12 FCG record in the process.