

### Postgame Football Notes – San Diego State vs. Fresno State Nov. 15, 2019 SDCCU Stadium | San Diego, Calif.

\*\*\* Final Edition

#### Big Notes

- San Diego State became just the 19<sup>th</sup> team to win eight games this season.
- The Aztecs clinched a share of the Mountain West, West Division title for the fourth time in the two-division era. SDSU has won or shared the division championship (2014, 2015\*, 2016\*and 2019). (\* won outright)
- San Diego State can clinch the West Division title and a berth into the MW Championship game on Dec. 7 with a win at Hawai'i next Saturday night (Nov. 23).
- With its eighth victory of the season, the Aztecs have eclipsed their win total from the entire 2018 campaign (seven).
- Since the start of the 2015 campaign, SDSU's 47-17 record is the 12th best during that span (73.4 winning percentage) (directly behind San Diego State are 13. Notre Dame, 14. Oklahoma State, 15. Washington and 16. Stanford.).
- The Aztecs exactly 8-2 after 10 games for the third time in four seasons (2016, 2017 and 2019). The Aztecs were 7-3 after 10 contests in both 2015 and 2018.
- SDSU improved to 13-2 in its last 15 non-Saturday regular season games.
- San Diego State has won seven straight non-Saturday home games and have not lost a non-Saturday home contest during the Rocky Long era.
- The Aztecs have won their last six games when having less than a week to prepare and is 9-1 the last 10 times they have had fewer than seven days between games.
- SDSU has won nine straight home games when having less than a full week of preparation.
- San Diego State held Fresno State to just 206 yards of total offense, its fewest gained in a game since totaling just 89 yards at San Diego State on Nov. 3, 2015. In the Rocky Long era (since 2011), SDSU has held FS to three of its four lowest outputs out of 115 games (89 on Nov. 3, 2015, 206 tonight and 217 on Nov. 14, 2016).
- The Aztecs improved to 24-2 since 1988 when owning at least a 14-yard advantage in field position (tonight: +14).
- San Diego State had multiple turnovers in a game for the first time this season, snapping its FBS-leading streak of nine straight games with one or less turnovers (Oregon State also had nine straight).
- SDSU's offense lost a fumble for the first time this season. San Diego State had gone 707 offensive snaps this year without a fumble lost and 734 dating back to last season.
- The Aztecs improved to 31-1 over their last 32 games when owning a turnover advantage.
- SDSU improved to 51-5 in the Rocky Long era when committing less turnovers than its opponent.
- The Aztecs won their 23rd straight game and improved to 34-5 in the Rocky Long era when forcing at least three turnovers in a game.
- Luq Barcoo recorded two interceptions and now has seven on the season (tied for second in FBS, tied for fourth in SDSU single-season history).

- Ryan Agnew improved to 14-3 all-time as the team's starting quarterback, which is the best winning percentage (.824) in San Diego State's Division I history.
- Agnew became the first Aztec to throw for 300 yards in a game (323) since Quinn Kaehler on Nov. 14, 2014 vs. Air Force. SDSU had 65 games in between without a 300-yard passer.
- Jesse Matthews had over 100 yards receiving (119) for the first time of his career.

### <u>Team Notes</u>

- SDSU has won 26 of its last 37 (26-11) games, 33 of its last 46 (33-13), 46 of its last 60 (46-14) and 47 of its last 64 since the 2015 season (47-17).
- San Diego State had three interceptions and now leads the country with the most since 2014 (99) and since 2015 (85).
- The Aztecs improved to 26-5 since 2010 when holding the ball for at least 35 minutes.
- SDSU is now 47-10 in the Rocky Long era when
- SDSU had 47-plus pass attempts in a win for the first time since Nov. 22, 2008 vs. UNLV. San Diego State was 1-23 over its last 24 games when throwing at least 47 times in a game.
- The Aztecs' last win with at least 33 completions in a game was also vs. UNLV on Nov. 22, 2018.
- SDSU has its most pass attempts (47) since throwing a school-record 64 times vs. Eastern Illinois on Aug. 31, 2013.
- The Aztecs had their most completions (33) in a game since throwing 36 against No. 25 Utah on Nov. 20, 2010.
- SDSU improved to 47-9 in the Rocky Long era when totaling at least 400 yards of total offense.
- San Diego State improved to 49-14 in the Rocky Long era when totaling 20-plus first downs.
- The Aztecs improved to 40-8 in the Rocky Long era when holding its opponent to an average field position of less than their opponents' 25-yard line.
- SDSU improved to 27-1 since 2015 when holding the opposition to a pass efficiency rating below 110 (tonight was 74.71).
- San Diego State held Fresno State to its lowest pass efficiency rating (74.7) since a 58.3 mark at Brigham Young on Nov. 21, 2015.
- San Diego State held Fresno State to its fewest points (7) since being shut out at Colorado State (37-0) on Nov. 5, 2016.
- The Bulldogs have scored in single-digits (or have been shut out) just six times since 2011 (115 games). San Diego State has been responsible for three of those games (7 on Nov. 3, 2015, 7 on Nov. 14, 2016 and 7 tonight).
- SDSU is now 51-2 in the Rocky Long era when keeping its opponent to 17 or less points.
- SDSU improved to 67-7 in the Rocky Long era when holding its opponent to less than 24 points.
- San Diego State improved to 44-4 in the Rocky Long era when holding its opponent to less than 300 yards of total offense.
- The Aztecs are now 43-14 in the Rocky Long era when allowing less than 100 yards rushing.
- San Diego State is now 28-6 in the Rocky Long era when its opponents throws for less than 150 yards.
- SDSU improved to 44-5 in the Rocky Long era when its opponent recorded 15 or less first downs.
- San Diego State improved to 42-4 the last 46 times its opponent converted 33.3 percent of less of their first downs (tonight FS was 3-for-12).

# <u>Series Notes</u>

- SDSU improved to 30-25-4 all-time against Fresno State.
- San Diego State's 30 wins against the Bulldogs are its most against any opponent.
- The Aztecs defeated the Bulldogs for the first time since Oct. 14, 2016 and first time in San Diego since Oct. 3, 2015.
- SDSU improved to 16-13-2 all-time against FS at home, including a 10-4 record at SDCCU Stadium.

# <u>Trends</u>

- San Diego State started with the ball for the 94th time in the last 107 games.
- The Aztecs held their opponent scoreless on their opening possession for the eighth time this season and 47th time since 2015 (64 games).

- SDSU improved to 7-0 this season and 58-12 in the Rocky Long era when leading at the half.
- San Diego State improved to 8-0 on the year and 67-12 in the Rocky Long era when leading after three quarters.

#### **Player Notes**

#### \* Ryan Agnew, Sr., QB (33-for-47, 323 yds., 1 TD, 1 INT)

- Was 33-for-47 for 323 yards with a touchdown and an interception.
- Set career highs in passing yards (323), completions (33) and passing attempts (47).
- Became the first 300-yard passer since Quinn Kaehler threw for 326 against Air Force on Nov. 14, 2014. There were 65 games in between 300-yard passers.
- Became SDSU's 25th different quarterback to throw for at least 300 yards in a game in program history.
- Improved to 14-3 as the team's starting quarterback.
- Is ranked first in SDSU's Division I history in quarterback winning percentage (.824) and tied for seventh in quarterback victories.

# \* Chase Jasmin, Jr., RB (15 att., 31 yds., 1 TD | 6 rec., 40 yds., 1 TD)

- Ran for 31 yards and a touchdown, while catching six passes for 40 yards and another score.
- Had multiple touchdowns in a game for the first time of his career.
- Now has three rushing touchdowns this season and 10 for his career.
- Now has one receiving touchdown this year and two for his career.
- Now has four overall touchdowns on the season and 12 for his career.

# \* Jesse Matthews, RS-Fr., WR (8 rec., 119 yds.)

- Had a career-high eight catches for a career-best 119 yards.
- Broke 100 yards receiving for the first time of his career, becoming the 86th different 100-yard receiving in program history and just the second among current Aztecs (Kobe Smith has three).

# \* Luq Barcoo, Sr., CB (1 tackle, 2 INT)

- Had one solo tackle and two interceptions.
- Now has seven interceptions on the season and eight for his career.
- Ranks in a tie for second in the nation in interceptions and tied for fourth in SDSU single-season history.
- It was his second game this season with multiple interceptions in a game.

# \* Dwayne Johnson Jr., Jr., AZT (8 tackles, 1 PBU)

- Had eight tackles and a pass breakup.
- Led the team in tackles for the fourth time this season (and career).

# \* Brandon Heicklen, Sr., P (3 punts, 170 yds. (56.7 avg.), 1 120, Long 61)

- Punted three times for 170 yards (56.7 avg.) with one inside the 20 (actually the 3) and a career-long punt of 61 yards.
- Also set a career high with a 56.7 avg. (previous best was 51.2 vs. Nevada last Saturday (Nov. 9).

# **Other Notes**

- WAR Tariq Thompson started for the 36th consecutive game, the longest streak on the team (offense/defense).
- LB Troy Cassidy played in his 47th straight game, the longest streak on the team.
- WAR Tariq Thompson recorded his second interception of the season and ninth of his career.
- Tonight's attendance was 26,826.

- Tonight's weather was 60 degrees, the coldest SDSU home game since Nov. 26, 2016 vs. Colorado State (53 degrees).
- Tonight's Honor Warrior was Lynell Hamilton (2003, 05-07).