



POST GAME NOTES

West Virginia Mountaineers at East Carolina Pirates
Sept. 6, 2008 • Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium • 4:30 p.m.



INDIVIDUAL NOTES

- Starting streaks extended: Zack Slate (19), Jamar Bryant (15), Doug Palmer (15), Jay Ross (12) and C.J. Wilson (11).
- First time starts: T.J. Lee
- Patrick Pinkney completed 22-of-28 passes for 236 yards and one TD. He completed his first eight passes of the game before throwing an incomplection in the second quarter. In the first quarter he was 6-for-6 for 62 yards.
- Jamar Bryant's 35-yard reception in the first quarter was the longest offensive play from scrimmage this season and extended his current streak to 16 games with at least one reception dating back to 2006 Papajohns.com Bowl. Bryant finished the game with four receptions for 66 yards.
- Jon Williams set new career-highs in rushes (17), yards (69) and TDs (2). He also caught two passes or two yards. For his career he has four TDs (all rushing).
- Pierre Bell forced second fumble of the season (third career) in the first quarter. He finished with six total tackles (two solo, four assists) and had one TFL (-1 yard).
- Jay Ross recovered Pat White's fumble in the first quarter and returned it five yards, it was the third of his career. He finished the game with a career-high eight tackles (two solo, six assists) and one TFL.
- Rob Kass completed one pass for seven yards in the second quarter.
- Ben Ryan was 3-for-3 on PATs and 1-for-2 on FGAs (made-42; miss-43). His 42-yard FG was the first of his career.
- Jeremy Chambliss recorded a TFL (-7 yards) and finished with three total tackles (solo, two assists).
- Dwayne Harris' 25-yard KOR in the second quarter was career-long. Harris caught a game and career-high eight passes for 68 yards (tied career-high).
- Alex Taylor caught three passes on the day for 41 yards and a score. His first career completion was for six yards in the second quarter and he also recorded his first collegiate TD (13 yards) in the second quarter.
- Van Eskridge forced the second WVU TO of the game in the second quarter leading to an ECU TD. It was his second career forced fumble. He lead all ECU defensive players with 10 stops (six solo, four assists).
- Marcus Hands recovered his fifth career fumble in the second quarter.
- Quentin Cotton recorded eight tackles (solo, seven assists) and had one pas breakup.
- T.J. Lee caught two passes (tied career-high) for 39 yards (both in the third quarter).
- C.J. Wilson was credited with 1.5 sacks on the day and now has 18.5 for his career. He dropped Pat White for a four-yard loss in third quarter and combined with Josh Smith on a sack for -2 yards. He finished with five total tackles (three solo, two assists).

TEAM NOTES

- Attendance: 43,610 (fourth largest at Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium and largest under Skip Holtz).
- ECU improved to 2-0 on the season for the first time since 1999, where they opened 5-0.
- The Pirates have defeated three consecutive Top 25 teams (No. 22 Boise State in the Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl in 2007, No. 15 Va. Tech on Aug. 30, 2008 in Charlotte and No. 8 West Virginia, Sept., 2008 in Greenville). The last time ECU accomplished this was in 1991 beating No. 15 Syracuse, No. 23 Pittsburgh and No. 21 N.C. State.
- ECU's win against No. 8 WVU is the biggest win ever (in terms of nationally-ranked opponents). The last Top 10 team the Pirates defeated was No. 9 Miami (Fla.) in Raleigh, N.C. on Sept. 25, 1999; 27-23).
- ECU's win over WVU was the first since 1999 (30-23 in Charlotte, N.C.)
- With the win, ECU has now won four straight games, six of the last seven and nine of the last 11 games).
- The Pirates have won six of 13 games against BCS opponents in the Skip Holtz era.
- ECU had five receivers with a catch of 10 or more yards (Bryant-33, 14, 14; Harris-11; Taylor-28, 13; Lee-26, 13 and B. Simmons-14)
- ECU extended its current streak without being shutout to 128 games when Jon Williams scored on a 5-yard run in the first quarter. The last time ECU was shutout came against Syracuse on Oct 4, 1197 in the Carrier Dome, 56-0.
- ECU has forced two at least two TOs in 10 of the last 11 games and 13 of the last 15).
- The Pirates have scored on 3-of-4 TOs this season (all TDs).
- ECU kept WVU off the board in the third quarter recording its seventh third quarter shutout in its last 15 games.
- ECU did not surrender a TD in the game. The last time the Pirates did not allow a TD was Oct. 27, 2007 against UAB (41-6).