

ARMY VS. NAVY

FEDEXFIELD | LANDOVER, MD. | DEC. 10, 2011

ATTENDANCE: 80,789

Navy Postgame Notes

Navy's win today gives the Midshipmen ...

- ▶ an overall record of 5-7 in 2011.
- ▶ an all-time record of 656-531-57 in what is the 131st year of football at the Academy.
- ▶ a 75-40 record over the last nine years after posting a 3-30 record from 2000-02.
- ▶ a 56-49-7 all-time record against Army, including wins in each of the last 10 contests ... it's the longest winning streak in series history by either team.
- ▶ a 3-4 record in games played away from Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium this season and a 17-15 mark under head coach Ken Niumatalolo.
- ▶ an 8-9-2 record in games against Army in which the President of the United States has attended, including three in a row.

Navy Head Coach Ken Niumatalolo ...

- ▶ is 32-21 all-time in his coaching career
- 2007: 0-1 (coached the Poinsettia Bowl)
- 2008: 8-5
- 2009: 10-4
- 2010: 9-4
- 2011: 5-7
- ▶ improved to 4-0 against the Black Knights, making him just the fourth coach in program history to begin his career 5-0 against Army.

Starting Streaks

▶ **Offense:**

- 26 - Brady DeMell (C)
- 25 - Josh Cabral (LG)
- 25 - John Dowd (RG)
- 25 - Gee Gee Greene (SB)
- 21 - Ryan Basford (RT)
- 7 - Alexander Teich (FB)
- 4 - Kriss Proctor (QB)
- 4 - Aaron Santiago (SB)
- 4 - Brandon Turner (WR)
- 3 - Graham Vickers (LT)
- 2 - Matt Aiken (WR)

▶ **Defense:**

- 29 - Jabaree Tuani (LE)
- 14 - Matt Warrick (ILB)
- 12 - David Sperry (FCB)
- 10 - Tra'ves Bush (ROV)
- 7 - Chris Ferguson (FS)
- 6 - Jared Marks (NG)
- 5 - Parrish Gaines (BCB)
- 5 - Joshua Jones (RE)
- 4 - Brye French (OLB)
- 1 - Caleb King (ILB)
- 1 - Jarred Shannon (OLB)

Team Notes

- ▶ The six-point win by the Midshipmen marks the slimmest margin of victory in the series since Navy claimed a 30-28 victory over Army in Baltimore on Dec. 2, 2000.
- ▶ Today's game marked the 54th game in the 112-game series in which the contest was decided by eight points or less ... Navy is 23-24-7 in those games.
- ▶ Navy has outscored Army, 349-112 (34.9-11.2 pts/gm) over the Mids' 10-game winning streak.
- ▶ Navy's 21 first downs in the contest marked the most by the Mids in the series since totaling 24 on Dec. 3, 2005.
- ▶ The Mids' 296 yards on the ground is their best ground gain in the annual series since Dec. 6, 2008, when Navy rushed for 368 yards.
- ▶ Navy's 13 yards passing marked the fewest in the series since it completed two of its five passes for seven yards on Dec. 1, 2007.
- ▶ Today's contest marked Navy's seventh game this season decided by eight points or less which is tied as the fourth most in the country ... the Mids were 2-6 in those contests.
- ▶ Under Niumatalolo, Navy is 14-13 in games decided by eight points or less.
- ▶ The Mids are 8-9 under Niumatalolo with more than one week to prepare, including 4-0 against the Black Knights.
- ▶ Navy is 5-2 in 2011 and 27-4 over the last four seasons when scoring first.
- ▶ Navy is 5-0 this season when leading after the first quarter ... under Niumatalolo, the Mids are 21-3 when leader after the first.
- ▶ For the first time this season, the Mids won a game when rushing for fewer than 300 yards ... Navy finished 1-5 when falling short of 300 yards on the ground.
- ▶ Navy's 18-play, 75-yard drive that ate up 9:12 on the clock that ended in a 23-yard field goal by Jon Teague at 12:03 in the fourth quarter was Navy's longest drive of the year in terms of plays and time elapsed ... the Mids' previous long drive was a 17-play, 54-yard drive that took up 8:23 and ended in a 36-yard field goal by Teague against Delaware in the season opener.
- ▶ Seniors Brian Blick, Max Blue, John Dowd and Kriss Proctor led the team out onto the field each carrying the American flag.

Tra'ves Bush, Jr., Rover

- ▶ Contributed eight tackles, including six solo tackles.

Noah Copeland, Fr., FB

- ▶ Jarred the ball loose from Army's Scott Williams on a kick return at 11:55 in the fourth quarter, as the Black Knights committed their third fumble of the game ... fellow Navy rookie Jordan Drake recovered for the Mids.
- ▶ It marked Copeland's first-career forced fumble.
- ▶ Contributed a career-high four tackles on special teams after coming into the contest with three-career tackles.

Jordan Drake, Fr., OLB

- ▶ Recovered a Scott Williams fumble at the Army 27-yard line with 11:55 remaining on the clock ... it was Drake's first-collegiate fumble recovery.

Brye French, Jr., OLB

- ▶ Recovered a Jared Hassin fumble at the Navy 45-yard line with 10:20 remaining in the second quarter.
- ▶ It was French's first-career fumble recovery.
- ▶ Dropped Steelman for a loss of three yards ... it marked his sixth TFL this season.

Caleb King, Sr., ILB

- ▶ Chipped in a season-high tying six tackles ... his previous high for the year was six in back-to-back games against Rutgers and East Carolina.

Kriss Proctor, Sr., QB

- ▶ The fourth-leading rusher among the nation's quarterbacks (came in averaging 81.7 yds/gm), he amassed a team-high 97 yards on 32 carries and two touchdowns against Army ... completed just one of his three attempts for 13 yards and was sacked twice.
- ▶ Stripped by Army lineman Jacob Drozd at the Navy 19-yard line with 4:53 remaining in the opening quarter.
- ▶ Stripped by Army rover Steven Erzinger at 8:30 in the third quarter ... the Black Knights recovered at the Navy 45 ... it was Navy's eighth and ninth lost fumble of the year ... the Mids lost 10 a year ago.

Jon Teague, Sr., K

- ▶ Connected on field goals of 23 (12:03) and 44 (10:26) yards in the fourth quarter to lead the Mids to a 27-21 victory
- ▶ Connected on 10 of 15 field goals over the course of the season.

Alexander Teich, Sr., FB

- ▶ Rushed for 93 yards on 18 carries and one touchdown against Army ... also returned a pair of kicks for 71 yards.
- ▶ With his 10-yard TD run at 7:05 in the second quarter, Teich passed former teammate Eric Kettani (2005-08, 2091 yds on 395 carries) for 10th on Navy's career rushing chart.
- ▶ His three-yard run with 1:17 left in the third pushed him past Adam Ballard (2125 yds on 404 carries) for ninth on the Mids' career rushing list.
- ▶ Entered the game with 2053 yards on 392 carries ... concluded his career with 2146 yards on 410 carries.
- ▶ Returned the second half opening kickoff 48 yards in what was his first kick return since last year's SMU game (Oct. 16) ... returned 14 kicks a year ago for 364 yards (26.0).

Jabaree Tuani, Sr., DE

- ▶ Turned in six tackles, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery and a tackle for a loss of three yards.
- ▶ Recovered a Raymond Maples fumble at 4:02 in the first quarter ... it was just three plays after Navy's Proctor fumbled at the Navy 19.
- ▶ It was Tuani's sixth-career fumble recovery and third of the season (Air Force, Notre Dame)
- ▶ Dropped Trent Steelman for a loss of three yards,

marking his 43rd-career TFL ... with that, he took sole possession of second place on the Mids' career TFL list, just one behind record holder Andy Person (1992-95).

- ▶ Pried the ball out of fullback Jared Hassin's arms for Army's second fumble of the afternoon at 10:20 in the second quarter ... it was recovered at the Navy 45 by Navy's Brye French.

- ▶ It was Tuani's 12th-career forced fumble and fourth this season (Rutgers, San Jose State-2).

Matt Warrick, Jr., ILB

- ▶ Led the Midshipmen with nine tackles, including seven solo stops ... also pitched in a pair of tackles for a loss and one sack.

- ▶ Sacked Army QB Trent Steelman for a loss of five yard with 5:32 left in the game ... it was Warrick's first-career sack.

- ▶ On the ensuing play, on 4th-and-7, Warrick dropped Steelman for a loss of one at the Navy 27-yard line to give the Mids possession.