San Jose State University Football Game Notes

For the third consecutive season, San Jose State won its final game. In 2015, the Spartans defeated Georgia State in the AutoNation Cure Bowl. A year ago, San Jose State won at Fresno State, 16-13. The Spartans outlasted Wyoming, 20-17, to close out the 2017 season.

The Spartans led at halftime for the second time this season and first since being ahead of Cal Poly, 7-6, after two quarters.

San Jose State’s 10-0 lead in the second quarter was its first 10-point lead in a game since the second quarter of the October 14 game at Hawaii.

Dakari Monroe became the first Spartan this season with two interceptions in a game. Monroe returned his first interception of the game for 33-yards a career long and the longest return by a San Jose State player in 2017. His second interception stopped a Wyoming drive deep in Spartan Second quarter interception prevented a TD.

Montel Aaron rushed for his first touchdown of the season. San Jose State had four rushing touchdowns in the last three games compared to one in the first 10 games.

Bryce Crawford finished the season making 14-of-17 field goals. Crawford had not attempted a field goal in November until his 44-yarder in the second quarter giving San Jose State a 10-0 lead. He added his school-record fifth 50-plus yard field goal of the season and his career with a 52-yard kick at the end of the second quarter. Crawford missed from 55 yards in the fourth quarter.

Wide receiver Tre Hartley finished the season with consecutive 100-yard receiving games. He had 109 yards on five receptions at Colorado State and 109 yards and a single-game career best seven receptions in the Wyoming game. Hartley ended 2017 with at least one pass play of 35 yards or more in four consecutive games.

Frank Ginda moved into a ninth-place tie for tackles for loss in a career at San Jose State with 29.0. He had 1.5 in the game to tie Keith Smith, now a fullback with the Dallas Cowboys. Ginda finished the season with 13.5 tackles for loss.

Ginda concluded the year with 173 tackles – the eighth best single-season figure since the NCAA standardized defensive statistics in 2000. The 173 stops are the most by a San Jose State player since 2000. He ranks eighth on the San Jose State career list with 352.

Maurice McKnight moved into 10th place on the San Jose State career list for tackles. He had five tackles to finish his career with 322. McKnight is the first Spartan defensive back to be credited with more than 300 tackles in a career.
Michael Carrizosa set San Jose State records for single-season and career punting yardage. He finished the season with 3,329 yards and his career with 9,907 yards. The previous single-season record was 3,105 yards punted by Joe Hicks in 1971. Waylon Prather had the career record with 9,747 yards.

In his final San Jose State game, senior Brandon Mitchell was a starting wide receiver.