

# **University of Wyoming Postgame Notes**

Following a 38-17 road win versus Colorado State on Oct. 1, 2016, at Hughes Stadium in Fort Collins, Colo.

#### **Team Notes**

- Today's game marked the 108th edition of the "Border War."
- Today's contest marked the 71st consecutive season the two teams have played each other.
- The two teams have met 49 times for the Bronze Boot, with Wyoming winning 25 contests to CSU's 24.
- Today's game is the earliest in the season the two teams have met since playing on Sept. 29, 2001 in Laramie.
- Today's contest marked the third time the two teams have met in the Pokes' MW opener.
- Today's game marked the last installment of the Border War at CSU's Hughes Stadium. A total of 33,500 fans attended the game, the 11th-largest crowd in Hughes Stadium history.

#### Offensive Notes

- Junior running back Brian Hill rushed for 166 yards on 19 carries. In the second quarter, he became Wyoming's all-time rushing leader after a 39-yard run that set up a Shaun Wick touchdown, passing previous record holder Devin Moore (2,963), who also earned the record against Colorado State. Hill is the first running back in Wyoming history to gain over 3,000 yards in his career, as he has 3,056.
- Hill went over 100 yards for the third time this season and 14th time in his career. He is the first running back to gain 100 yards against Colorado State in 2016.
- Wick's second-quarter rushing TD was his first of the season. He remains No. 8 on UW's all-time rushing touchdowns list with 21 for his career
- In the second quarter, Brian Hill strung together carries of 15+ yards (15, 16, 39) on three straight plays on his way to the top of UW's career rushing yards list.
- Tanner Gentry hauled in a 25-yard throw from Josh Allen in the first quarter, marking his 24th consecutive game with a reception. He also recorded a 36-yard catch later in the quarter, his longest reception of the 2016 campaign.
  - James Price's first-quarter catch of 23 yards was his longest of the season.
- Tanner Gentry scored his fourth touchdown of the season on a flea flicker play with 9:06 remaining in the first quarter, matching his single-season high of four touchdowns from 2015.
- Junior fullback Drew Van Maanen hauled in a 22-yard reception in the third quarter to convert on third down. It was his first catch of the season and the second-longest catch of his career.
- Brian Hill unleashed a 49-yard run in the third quarter to go over 150 yards for the game, setting up his own 1-yard rushing touchdown. Hill is now tied for ninth in Wyoming history with 20 career rushing TDs.
  - With 15 carries for 54 yards, Wick moved into sixth place on UW's all-time rushing yards list. He now has 2,292 yards in his career.
  - Josh Allen scampered for an 18-yard rushing TD with seven seconds remaining in the third guarter, his third of the season.
  - Wyoming rushed for 265 yards, while Colorado State managed just 107.

### **Defensive Notes**

- The Cowboys forced punts on CSU's first two drives to start the game.
- Marcus Epps forced his third career fumble on CSU's first offensive play following Shaun Wick's second-quarter touchdown. He also recovered the fumble, pouncing on a loose ball for the first time in his career. Epps has now accounted for three opponent turnovers in the last two games
- Senior defensive tackle Chase Appleby, celebrating his birthday today, picked off a Collin Hill pass and returned it 55 yards for a touchdown to put the Pokes up 24-14 with 1:04 remaining in the second guarter. It was the first interception of his career.
- Appleby's pick-six was Wyoming's third interception-TD in two games after the Pokes returned two interceptions for touchdowns at Eastern Michigan.
  - Appleby's interception was the first for a Wyoming defensive lineman since Mike Neuhaus on Nov. 8, 2008 at Tennessee.
- With two first-half turnovers forced, Wyoming has now forced 10 turnovers during the 2016 season (7 interceptions and 3 fumbles). Wyoming forced 10 total turnovers in 2015 (5 interceptions and 5 fumbles).
- Sophomore safety Andrew Wingard recorded 11 tackles in the first half and 17 for the game, breaking his previous single-game high of 16 on a sack in the fourth quarter. He has posted 10+ tackles in four of five games during 2016 and 11 of 17 games during his career.
  - Freshman cornerback Tyler Hall made his debut for Wyoming, recording one tackle and one pass breakup.
  - Sophomore defensive end Carl Granderson recorded his fourth sack of the season at the end of the third quarter.
  - Junior Dalton Fields brought down CSU quarterback Collin Hill in the fourth quarter for his first career sack.

## **Special Teams Notes**

- Senior punter Ethan Wood punted six times, averaging 44.5 yards per punt. He pinned the Rams inside their own 20-yard line four times.
- Freshman Austin Conway returned a CSU punt for 38 yards in the second quarter, a new career long (25 on Sept. 10 at Nebraska). It was Wyoming's longest punt return since Jalen Claiborne returned a punt for 39 yards on Nov. 22, 2014 against Boise State.