



# ARKANSAS

## FOOTBALL



## POSTGAME NOTES: ARKANSAS 20, PORTLAND STATE 13

### PREGAME NOTES

- The Razorbacks wore cardinal helmets, cardinal jerseys and white pants, its new uniform from Nike that dates back to the 2006-07 seasons.
- Arkansas won the coin toss and deferred to the second half. Portland State received the ball to begin the game. Arkansas defended the south end zone.
- Arkansas' captains were seniors McTelvin Agim, De'Jon Harris, Colton Jackson and T.J. Smith. Agim, Harris & Smith were named permanent captains by head coach Chad Morris and donned a "C" on their left shoulder.
- Weather - 84 degrees, partly cloudy, WNW 5 mph

### GENERAL NOTES

- Saturday marked the first meeting on the gridiron between Arkansas and Portland State. The Razorbacks will play two more "first-time" opponents this season in San Jose State (9/21) and Western Kentucky (11/9).
- The Razorbacks are now 99-23-4 in season openers, winning each of their last five.
- Arkansas is 67-11-2 in season openers played in Fayetteville.
- The Razorbacks have outscored their opponents by a total of 193-73 over the last five opening day games.
- The announced attendance for the game: 61,055.
- Today's starters: **Offense** - Ben Hicks (QB), Colton Jackson (LT), Ausittin Capps (LG), Ty Clary (C), Myron Cunningham (RG), Dalton Wagner (RT), Rakeem Boyd (RB), Michael Woods (WR), Treyton Burks (WR), Trey Knox (WR), Grayson Gunter (TE). **Defense** - Dorian Gerald (DE), McTelvin Agim (DT), T.J. Smith (DT), Gabe Richardson (DE), De'Jon Harris (MIKE), Bumper Pool (WILL), Greg Brooks Jr. (NICK), Montaric Brown (CB), Kamren Curl (SS), Joe Foucha (FS), Jarques McClellion (CB).
- Today's starting 11 on offense was entirely different than last year's season opener - the first time that has occurred in at least 30 years.
- De'Jon Harris made his 25th consecutive start, the most on the either side of the ball.
- McTelvin Agim started in his 29th game of his collegiate career, the most by a current Razorback.
- Three freshmen, all true, started today's game for the Razorbacks. A total of 11 freshmen/redshirt played against Portland State.

### OFFENSIVE NOTES

- Devwah Whaley scored the first touchdown of the year for the Razorbacks on a 1-yard play, capping off a 10-play, 64-yard drive with 3:16 remaining in the first quarter.
- Rakeem Boyd scored the Razorbacks' other touchdown of the day, punching it in from two yards out to cap a 12-play, 67-yard drive with 2:20 left in the third quarter.
- Arkansas accumulated 198 yards of total offense in the first half, with 109 passing yards.
- Eight different receivers caught a pass against Portland State.
- Rakeem Boyd completed a 12-play, 67-yard drive with a 2-yard rushing play with 2:20 remaining in the third quarter.
- Arkansas finished with 395 total yards.
- Rakeem Boyd's 114-yard performance was the 14th-best by a rusher with Chad Morris as Head Coach.

### DEFENSIVE NOTES

- Arkansas gave up 13 points, tied for the second fewest a Chad Morris coached-team has ever allowed.
- Kamren Curl picked off PSU's Davis Alexander with 2:46 left in the second quarter for the first takeaway of the season.
- Jarques McClellion also had an interception with 7:17 remaining in the third quarter.
- Joe Foucha capped the game with a pick, giving the Razorbacks three for the contest.
- First game with three interceptions since Nov. 22, 2014, against Ole Miss.
- Arkansas had six sacks with 1:11 left in the third quarter. The Razorbacks posted a season-high six last year against Tulsa (10/20/18).
- Those six sacks were the third-most under a Chad Morris-coached team.
- Arkansas had eight TFLs against Portland State, tied for the seventh-most by a Chad Morris-coached team.
- Arkansas allowed just 230 yards of total offense, the fewest since Sept. 22, 2018, when they held Auburn to just 225 total yards.
- Arkansas allowed just 75 rushing yards, the fourth-lowest total allowed by a Chad Morris-coached team.
- Arkansas allowed just two third down conversions, the eighth time since 2010 an opponent has converted twice or less.
- Kamren Curl and Melvin Agim combined for four sacks, the first time two Razorbacks piled up that many in a single game since 2014, when Taiwan Johnson had 2.5 and Darius Philon had 1.5 (9/6/14).

### SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

- Connor Limpert recorded Arkansas' first points of the 2019 season on a 34-yard field goal with 9:40 remaining in the first quarter.
- Limpert also hit a 25-yard FG with 10:44 left in the fourth quarter to go up, 20-6.

### PLAYER NOTES

#### De'Jon Harris

- Finished with three tackles, including 0.5 for a loss, giving him 20.0 TFL in his career.

#### DE McTelvin Agim

- Picked up his first sack of the year late in the first half; Now has 10.5 sacks in his career.
- Finished the game with 2.0 TFL, his most in a single game since recording 3.5 against Tulsa in 2018.

**K Connor Limpert**

- 2-for-2 FG - 34 and 25 yds
- Is now tied for 8th all time in career FG made at Arkansas (29), joining Greg Horne (1983-86) and Bill McClard (1969-71).
- Has at least one made FG in each of his last 12 games and has made at least one FG in every game that he's had a FG attempt, standing at 19 games over the 2017-19 seasons..
- He has made 52 PATs straight, dating back to Oct. 21, 2017. He is now 64/65 over his career.

**SS Kamren Curl**

- Recorded his first two career sacks.
- It's the first multi-sack performance by a Razorback since McTelvin Agim totaled 2.0 against Tulsa in 2018.
- Hauled in Arkansas' first interception of the 2019 season, late in the first half and returning it 29 yards; It was his first interception of his career.
- Is the first Razorback with a sack and an interception in the same game since Alonzo Highsmith (1-and-1) against South Carolina in 2011.

**RB Devwah Whaley**

- Scored Arkansas' first touchdown of the 2019 season, running in a 1-yard score on the Razorbacks' second drive of the game.
- He now has 13 rushing touchdowns in his career

**WR Treyton Burks**

- Led the team with 52 yards on 3 catches, including his longest of 20 yards early in the fourth quarter.

**CB Jarques McClellion**

- Hauled in Arkansas' second interception of the game and his first of the season midway through the third quarter. It was his first interception of his career.

**WR Trey Knox**

- Made his first catch of his career late in the first half, a 38-yard reception, which is the longest by a Razorback true freshman since Devwah Whaley caught a 43-yard pass against Florida (2016).
- Finished the game with 1 reception for 38 yards.

**DE Dorian Gerald**

- Tallied his third PBU of his career on Portland State's second drive of the game.

**LB Hayden Henry**

- Notched his first career sack late in the third quarter, good for a 7-yard loss.

**LB Bumper Pool**

- Recorded a PBU on Portland State's opening drive, which eventually forced a PSU field goal. He also had a PBU in his collegiate debut a year ago and now has five for his career.

**FS Joe Fuscha**

- Led the Razorbacks with two PBUs, the first two of his career.
- Sealed the game with his first-career interception with 11 seconds remaining.

**RB Rakeem Boyd**

- Amassed 114 yards on the ground, marking his fourth-career 100+ yard game.
- The 114 rushing yards was the most by a Razorback in a win since Nov. 4, 2017 versus Coastal Carolina.