



ARKANSAS

FOOTBALL



POSTGAME NOTES: MISSISSIPPI STATE 54, ARKANSAS 24

PREGAME NOTES

- The Razorbacks wore cardinal helmets, cardinal jerseys and white pants, a uniform from Nike that dates back to the 2006-07 seasons. Arkansas has worn it every home game this year.
- Arkansas won the coin toss and deferred to the second half. Mississippi State received the ball to begin the game. Arkansas defended the north end zone.
- Arkansas' captains were seniors McTelvin Agim, Ty Clary, DeJon Harris and T.J. Smith. Agim, Harris & Smith were named permanent captains by head coach Chad Morris and donned a "C" on their left shoulder. It is the second time this season Clary has been named a captain for a game (San Jose State).
- Weather - 54 degrees, sunny, wind NW 10 mph.

GENERAL NOTES

- Saturday marked the 30th meeting between the Razorbacks and Bulldogs. Arkansas is now 16-13-1 all-time against Mississippi State.
- The Razorbacks are now 3-3 vs. the Bulldogs in games played in Fayetteville.
- Arkansas is 62-32-4 on Homecoming.
- The announced attendance for the game: 52,256
- Today's starters: **Offense** - Ben Hicks (QB), Myron Cunningham (LT), Shane Clenin (LG), Ty Clary (C), Ricky Stromberg (RG), Dalton Wagner (RT), Rakeem Boyd (RB), Michael Woods (WR), Treyton Burks (WR), Trey Knox (WR), Grayson Gunter (TE). **Defense** - Mataio Soli (DE), McTelvin Agim (DT), T.J. Smith (DT), Gabe Richardson (DE), DeJon Harris (MIKE), Bumper Pool (WILL), Greg Brooks Jr. (NICK), Montaric Brown (CB), Kamren Curl (SS), Joe Foucha (FS), LaDarrius Bishop (CB).
- DeJon Harris made his 33rd consecutive start, the most on the either side of the ball.
- McTelvin Agim started in his 36th game of his collegiate career, the most by a current Razorback.
- Five freshmen, all true, started today's game for the Razorbacks. A total of 22 freshmen/redshirt played against Mississippi State.

CRIP HALL AWARD

- DeJon Harris was honored with the Crip Hall Homecoming Performance by a Senior Award.
- He finished the game with 12 tackles (5 solo) and 0.5 TFL. It's his fourth double-digit tackle game this year and 19th of his career.
- It is the second consecutive season a defensive player has been voted on as the award winner.
- The award is voted on by the media covering the game and is presented to the senior student-athlete who turned in the top performance of the game.
- It has been recognized every year since 1950 and is named after C.G. "Crip" Hall, who was the Arkansas Secretary of State from 1937-61, and was instrumental in the construction of War Memorial Stadium in Little Rock.

OFFENSIVE NOTES

- Arkansas first touchdown of the game came on a 52-yard rush from Rakeem Boyd with 10:24 remaining in the second quarter.
- It was Boyd's sixth touchdown of the season and Arkansas' ninth rushing score.
- Arkansas recorded 141 yards of total offense in the first half, including 91 rushing yards.
- John Stephen Jones entered the game at quarterback late in the second quarter. He finished the game 4-for-9 for 25 yards and one touchdown..
- Mike Woods hauled in an 11-yard pass from Jones with 4:03 remaining in the third quarter to make it a 45-17 game. It was Woods' third touchdown of the season.
- It was Jones' second TD pass in as many weeks.
- K.J. Jefferson entered the game with 11:30 remaining in the fourth quarter. He finished the game 1-for-2 with 32 yards passing and 26 yards rushing and one rushing touchdown.
- Boyd passed the 100-yard threshold in the fourth quarter for his fourth 100-yard rushing game of the season. He finished with 114 yards on the ground.
- Jefferson ran for a five-yard touchdown with 9:47 remaining in the fourth quarter for his first career score.

DEFENSIVE NOTES

- The Razorbacks posted a three-and-out on the fourth drive of the game, which led to an Arkansas touchdown on the team's ensuing offensive drive. The Razorbacks finished with two three-and-out drives on defense on Saturday.
- DeJon Harris was the first Razorback with double-digit tackles. It marked the fifth consecutive game Arkansas has had at least one player with 10 or more tackles in a game this season. He has four double-digit tackle games this year and 19 over his four-year career.
- McTelvin Agim finished with 1.0 tackles for loss, giving him five-straight games with at least half-a-tackle for loss, pushing his season total to 8.5.
- Bumper Pool also finished with double-digit tackles at a team-leading 13. It is the second game this season Arkansas had multiple players with 10 or more stops.

SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

- Connor Limpert connected on a 40-yd field goal with 5:00 remaining in the second quarter. It was his 12th made field goal this year and sixth from 40+ yards.
- The field goal came after Mississippi State muffed a punt, which was recovered by long snapper Jordan Silver. It was his first career fumble recovery.

PLAYER NOTES

QB John Stephen Jones

- Played the second and third quarters, completing 4-for-9 through the air for 25 yards and one touchdown.
- It's his second-straight week with a touchdown pass as he connected with Mike Woods in the third quarter to pull Arkansas within 45-17.

QB KJ Jefferson

- Made his first career appearance in the fourth quarter, completing one pass for 32 yards and rushing for one touchdown (5 yards).
- He's the first Razorback quarterback to rush for a touchdown this year.

LB De'Jon Harris

- Finished the game with 12 tackles (five solo), good for second-most on the team. It's his 19th career double-digit tackle game and fourth this year.
- The four double-digit tackle games this year is tied for first in the SEC with Missouri's Nick Bolton.
- Now has 345 tackles in his career, which passes Rickey Williams (343 - 1984-87) for 8th all-time in school history.
- Earned a 0.5 TFL on Mississippi State's first drive of the game, giving him 3.5 TFL for the season, fifth-most on the team.
- Fifth game this year with at least 0.5 TFL; Fourth player on team with 0.5 TFL or more in at least five games this year.

LB Bumper Pool

- Led the team with a career-high 13 tackles, his fourth game this year with nine or more and second with 10 or more.
- Previous high was 10 at Kentucky (10/12/19).
- Saturday's performance against Mississippi State marked his second double-digit tackle game this year and second of his career.
- One of three active Razorbacks with multiple double-digit tackle games in a career (J. Foucha, D. Harris).
- Also had 1.5 tackles for loss, tying a career high set at Kentucky (10/12/19).
- Has at least 0.5 TFL in four of last five games.

RB Rakeem Boyd

- Picked up 80 yards on six carries in the first half, including a touchdown. Finished the game with 114 yards and one touchdown.
- It's his seventh 100-yard rushing game of his career and fourth this season.
- It's also ties for his third-most yards in a game this year (114 vs. Portland St. - 8/31/19).
- He's the first Razorback with a 100-yard rushing game against Mississippi State since Rawleigh Williams III put up 205 yards on 16 carries in 2016.
- The touchdown was a 52-yard score in the second quarter, his sixth rush of 20 yards or more this season.
- Has three scoring runs of 50+ yards this year (Colorado St., Kentucky, Mississippi St.),
- Now has six touchdowns this year, tying for fifth among SEC rushers.
- First Razorback running back since David Williams and Devwah Whaley in 2017 to have six or more rushing touchdowns in a season.

DE McTelvin Agim

- Had a season-high seven tackles in the game, two solo, with 1.0 tackles for loss.
- Has at least 1.0 TFL in five-straight games dating back to Texas A&M (9/28/19) and it's his seventh game overall with 1.0+ TFL.
- Now has 31.5 tackles for loss in his career, needing just 1.5 tackles for loss to crack into the Arkansas career top-10 for TFL.

K Connor Limpert

- 1-for-1 FG - 40 yds
- Is just five field goals away from tying for 6th in career field goals made at Arkansas; Currently has 39 in his career.
- It's his sixth field goal of 40+ yards this year and first since hitting a 44-yarder at Kentucky (10/12/19).
- Has at least one made FG in 19 of his last 20 games and has made at least one FG in every game that he's had a FG attempt, standing at 26 games over the 2017-19 seasons.
- He has made 72 PATs straight, dating back to Oct. 21, 2017. He is now 84/85 over his career.

WR Tyson Morris

- Led the team with two catches for 18 yards. It's his third multi-catch performance this year (San Jose State - 9/21; Texas A&M - 9/28).

WR Treyton Burks

- Hauled in only one catch for 32 yards, but it was his eighth-straight game with at least one reception.
- He's caught at least one pass in every game he's played in this year and now has 20 receptions this season for 320 yards.
- Totaled 134 return yards on five kickoffs in the game. It's the most kickoff return yards in a game for a Razorback since De'Vion Warren totaled 141 against Ole Miss on Oct. 28, 2017.

WR Mike Woods

- Caught his third touchdown pass of the season and fourth of his career late in the third quarter.
- Now tied for the team lead in touchdown receptions (Cheyenne O'Grady).
- His touchdown catch came on fourth down, marking the second 4th-down conversion by Arkansas this year and first for a touchdown.

FS Joe Foucha

- Pulled in nine tackles in the game, third-most on the team.
- It's his third most tackles in a game this year and fourth-straight with eight or more.

DL T.J. Smith

- Finished the game with three tackles, including one solo stop, and 0.5 TFL.
- The three tackles ties his season high and he's totaled at least 0.5 TFL in four of the last five games.
- Now has 13.0 TFL in his four-year career.