

Jubilation for Hawkeyes, Heartbreak for Cyclones - Iowa With Come-From-Behind OT 44-41 Over Iowa State (09/09/17)

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The Iowa Hawkeyes retained the Cy-Hawk Trophy with a thrilling come-from-behind victory over in-state rival Iowa State on Jack Trice Field in Ames. There were six lead changes and two ties in this game. The Hawkeyes looked like they had gained control of this game 21-10 midway through the 3rd Quarter after back-to-back 90+ yard touchdown drives. But Iowa State used its up-tempo, quick-strike offense to respond with three straight touchdowns and held a 31-21 lead with 11:46 left in the game.

The Hawkeyes weren't done either. Iowa stormed back with a 15 yard Nate Stanley to Ihmir Smith-Marsette TD pass. Then Parker Hesse picked off ISU QB Jacob Park, setting up a 15 yard field goal by Miguel Recinos to tie the game 31-31 with 5:16 left to play.

It was ISU's turn again, this time with Park hitting a 74 yard TD pass to Akeem Butler and a 38-31 lead at the 4:36 mark.

The teams traded three-and-outs before Stanley hit Running Back Akrum Wadley for a spectacular 46 yard catch-and-run TD pass (8 yards through the air, 38 on the ground). The game was tied at 38-38 and the Cyclones ran out the clock with a minute left, sending the teams to overtime.

ISU started OT with the ball and Iowa's Defense held, forcing a 30-yard field goal. The Hawkeyes Offense then grabbed the win with a five yard TD pass from Stanley to Smith-Marsette.

Stanley now has eight touchdown passes in his first two games as Iowa's starting quarterback. He finished his day in Ames throwing for 333 yards and five TDs, completing passes to nine different teammates. Wadley continues to impress, accounting for 190 of Iowa's 497 yards of total offense.

Of note, the Hawkeyes were 6-6 inside the red zone and 7-15 on third down conversions. The two teams combined for a whopping 964 yards of total offense. Iowa's Offense was balanced - always a Ferentz goal - with 41 passes and 41 runs. The Hawkeyes dominated time of possession 37:07 to 22:53 - but that demonstrates that TOP is not always a precise indicator of how things go in a particular game. Part of that lop-sided differential was due to very long Iowa touchdown drives, including three of 90+ yards and one that went 89 yards.

After four turnovers last week vs. Wyoming, the Hawkeyes had none in this game. But Iowa had to overcome penalty problems to gain this win after being flagged 10 times for 84 yards.

Iowa State is a much-improved team over last year under second-year coach Matt Campbell, but once again the Cyclones were unable to hold onto a late lead.

Iowa (2-0, 0-0) returns to Iowa City next Saturday, hosting North Texas in the final non-conference tilt in 2017 - a 2:30 PM kickoff that will be televised on ESPN2. Iowa State drops to 1-1 and plays at Akron next week.

Click here for [Post-Game Notes, Stats, Play-by-Play, and Season Stats](#) (from Iowa Athletic Communications).

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