

WEEK ONE
 WYOMING AT NEW MEXICO ST

LAS CRUCES, N.M. -- Nico Evans ran for 206 yards and two touchdowns on 25 carries to help Wyoming beat New Mexico State 29-7 on Saturday night in the season opener for both teams.

The senior came in with 36 career carries for 108 yards with one touchdown -- a 6-yard reception against Fresno State on Nov. 18.

Evans capped a nine-play, 60-yard drive with a 24-yard touchdown run to make it 7-0 with 9:30 left in the first quarter. New Mexico was called for holding on the ensuing kickoff and then a false start on its next play from scrimmage. After an incomplete pass, on second-and-11 from the 2, Carl Granderson and Jesse Hooper tackled Jason Huntley in the end zone. Cooper Rothe made second-quarter field goals of 36 and 39 yards to give the Cowboys a 15-0 halftime lead.

New Mexico State had just eight total yards, including minus-9 yards rushing, at the break. The Aggies, who had seven first-half possessions, went three-and-out five times, allowed a safety and had a four-play, 4-yard drive that ended when the second quarter expired. Their lone first down in the half came with just seconds remaining and was followed by a false start and then a holding penalty.

Evans added a 56-yard touchdown run midway through the third quarter and freshman Jevon Bigelow made it 29-0 with a 23-yard scoring run early in the fourth.

New Mexico State didn't cross midfield until the closing minutes during a 10-play, 93-yard drive that was capped by Matt Romero's 31-yard touchdown pass to Drew Dan with 1:16 to play.

Final	1	2	3	4	T
WYO	9	6	7	7	29
NMSU	0	0	0	7	7

Scoring Summary -----

	WYO	NMSU
FIRST QUARTER		
WYO TD 6:34		
Nico Evans 24 Yd Run (Cooper Rothe Kick)		
9 plays, 60 yards, 4:37	7	0
WYO SF 6:19		
Team Safety		
2 plays, -3 yards, 0:18	9	0
SECOND QUARTER	WYO	NMSU
WYO FG 14:49		
Cooper Rothe 36 Yd Field Goal		
13 plays, 49 yards, 6:27	12	0
WYO FG 10:48		
Cooper Rothe 39 Yd Field Goal		
5 plays, 44 yards, 1:58	15	0
THIRD QUARTER	WYO	NMSU
WYO TD 7:13		
Nico Evans 56 Yd Run (Cooper Rothe Kick)		
1 play, 56 yards, 0:12	22	0
FOURTH QUARTER	WYO	NMSU
WYO TD 10:07		
Jevon Bigelow 23 Yd Run (Cooper Rothe Kick)		
12 plays, 71 yards, 7:00	29	0
NMSU TD 1:16		
Drew Dan 31 Yd pass from Matt Romero (Dylan Brown Kick)		
10 plays, 93 yards, 2:52	29	7

Team Stats	WYO	NMST
First Downs	22	7
Total Yards	449	135
Total Plays	79	49
Avg Gain Per Play	5.7	2.8
Net Yards Rushing	312	-9
Rushes	57	16
Yards Per Rush	5.5	-0.
Net Yards Passing	137	144
Comp-Att	13-22	18-33
Yards Per Pass	6.2	4.4
Times Sacked	0	4
Yds Lost To Sacks	0	-46
Interceptions	0	0
Punts	7	10
Punt Average	37.4	44.6
Penalties	4	12
Penalty Yards	60	57
Fumbles	0	0
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Possession	40:41	19:19

Individual Stats

RUSHING

	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
WYO					
22 Nico Evans	24	190	7.9	56	2
4 Kazavian Valladay	17	61	3.6	14	0
21 Jevon Bigelow	13	55	4.2	23	1
26 Avante' Cox	1	7	7.0	7	0
18 Tyler Vander Waal	1	0	0.0	0	0
NMST					
1 Jason Huntley	9	22	2.4	8	0
3 Matt Romero	7	-31	-4.4	6	0

PASSING

	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
WYO							
18 Tyler Vander Waal	13	21	137	6.5	0	0	116.7
15 Nick Smith	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
NMST							
3 Matt Romero	16	27	140	5.2	1	0	115.0
12 Nick Jeanty	2	6	4	0.7	0	0	38.9

RECEIVING

	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
WYO					
81 Austin Fort	2	51	25.5	41	0
85 Tyree Mayfield	4	39	9.8	18	0
25 Austin Conway	2	16	8.0	12	0
17 Raghieb Ismail Jr.	2	10	5.0	7	0
22 Nico Evans	1	10	10.0	10	0
13 John Okwoli	1	7	7.0	7	0
33 Josh Harshman	1	4	4.0	4	0
NMST					
9 Drew Dan	2	60	30.0	31	1
1 Jason Huntley	5	25	5.0	12	0
13 Johnathan Boone	3	21	7.0	9	0
21 Anthony Muse	2	20	10.0	19	0
2 OJ Clark	5	12	2.4	5	0
11 Shea Holebrook Jr.	1	6	6.0	6	0