

WEEK Three
COLORADO STATE AT FLORIDA

GAINESVILLE, Fla. -- GAINESVILLE, Fla. -- Freddie Swain scored twice, including on an 85-yard punt return, and Florida beat Colorado State 48-10 Saturday in a game dubbed the "Buyout Bowl."

Feleipe Franks also threw two touchdown passes, giving him nine in three games and matching his total from last season.

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The Gators (2-1) were far from perfect offensively, though, finishing with 341 yards or more than 200 fewer than the Rams (1-3) had been giving up this season.

Franks had a few highlights, including an 18-yard strike to Swain in the second quarter and an even better deep ball to Van Jefferson in the fourth.

Jordan Scarlett had a 30-yard touchdown run in the second, his first trip to the end zone in nearly two years.

The Gators were otherwise average on that side of the ball.

Special teams were a different story. Tyrie Cleveland recovered a blocked punt for a score, and Swain delivered the fourth-longest punt return for a touchdown in school history.

That was enough to put away the Rams in a game that served as a reminder of ex-coach Jim McElwain's success at Colorado State and his failure at Florida.

The Gators will pay the Rams a whopping \$2 million for the game, part of McElwain's \$7 million buyout to leave Fort Collins for Gainesville late in the 2014 season. McElwain didn't last long enough at Florida to be around for the game against his former team. He is now the receivers coach at Michigan.

Franks completed 8 of 15 passes for 119 yards, with two touchdowns and an interception.

Scarlett ran six times for 56 yards.

Freshman Dameon Pierce ran mostly untouched for a 68-yard score late in the game and finished with 87 yards on the ground.

K.J. Carta-Samuels was 21-of-34 passing for 217 yards and a score. Collin Hill replaced him in the fourth quarter.

The Rams lost three of their four fumbles and also missed two field goals.

THE TAKEAWAY

Colorado State: Gets the largest single-game guarantee that any school has ever paid another, a huge payday to come cross-country and play in draining heat and humidity. The Gators still owe the Rams \$1 million of the \$3 million they agreed to pay to lure McElwain from Fort Collins in 2014.

Florida: Got a much-needed victory, but showed little, if any, progress on both lines of scrimmage. Kentucky dominated the Gators in the trenches in their Southeastern Conference opener last week.

STILL SIDELINED

Florida linebacker David Reese, who led the team in tackles in 2017, missed his third consecutive game because of a knee injury. Reese was hurt during fall practice, and coach Dan Mullen talked earlier this week like Reese would make his debut. Senior defensive end CeCe Jefferson made his debut. He missed the first games of the season because of academic issues.

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CSU	0	3	7	0	10
FLA	6	21	0	21	48

Scoring Summary -----

	CSU	FLA
FIRST QUARTER		
FLA FG 10:48		
Evan McPherson 24 Yd Field Goal		
4 plays, 4 yards, 1:37	0	3
FLA FG 2:14		
Evan McPherson 48 Yd Field Goal		
4 plays, -2 yards, 0:56	0	6
SECOND QUARTER		
FLA TD 11:49		
Jordan Scarlett 30 Yd Run (Evan McPherson Kick)		
5 plays, 65 yards, 1:44	0	13
FLA TD 6:24		
Freddie Swain 18 Yd pass from Feleipe Franks (Evan McPherson Kick)		
6 plays, 44 yards, 3:13	0	20
FLA TD 4:02		
Tyrie Cleveland 0 Yd Return of Blocked Punt (Evan McPherson Kick)		
6 plays, 3 yards, 2:22	0	27
CSU FG 0:00		
Wyatt Bryan 53 Yd Field Goal		
9 plays, 13 yards, 3:53	3	27
THIRD QUARTER		
CSU TD 11:27		
Trey McBride 48 Yd pass from K.J. Carta-Samuels (Wyatt Bryan Kick)		
7 plays, 75 yards, 3:33	10	27
FOURTH QUARTER		
FLA TD 13:25		
Freddie Swain 85 Yd Punt Return (Evan McPherson Kick)		
7 plays, 21 yards, 2:41	10	34
FLA TD 9:21		
Van Jefferson 38 Yd pass from Feleipe Franks (Evan McPherson Kick)		
4 plays, 54 yards, 1:47	10	41
FLA TD 6:17		
Dameon Pierce 68 Yd Run (Jorge Powell Kick)		
1 play, 68 yards, 0:12	10	48

Team Stats	CSU	FLA
First Downs	18	13
Total Yards	310	341
Total Plays	83	44
Avg Gain Per Play	3.7	7.8
Net Yards Rushing	70	222
Rushes	42	29
Yards Per Rush	1.7	7.7
Net Yards Passing	240	119
Comp-Att	23-41	8-15
Yards Per Pass	5.9	7.9
Times Sacked	1	5
Yds Lost To Sacks	-3	-37
Interceptions	0	1
Punts	3	3
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	6	8
Penalty Yards	33	75
Fumbles	4	0
Fumbles Lost	3	0
Possession	38:33	21:27

Individual Stats

RUSHING

CSU	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Marvin Kinsey Jr.	15	79	5.3	0	28
Izzy Matthews	8	17	2.1	0	7
Marcus McElroy	6	13	2.2	0	7
Preston Williams	2	6	3.0	0	7
Rashaad Boddie	2	4	2.0	0	3
Collin Hill	1	1	1.0	0	1
Team	1	-3	-3.0	0	0
Ryan Stonehouse	1	-13	-13.0	0	0
K.J. Carta-Samuels	6	-34	-5.7	0	3

FLA	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Dameon Pierce	5	87	17.4	1	68
Jordan Scarlett	6	56	9.3	1	30
Lamical Perine	7	37	5.3	0	10
Feleipe Franks	7	25	3.6	0	11
Kadarius Toney	1	9	9.0	0	9
Malik Davis	3	8	2.7	0	3

PASSING

CSU	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
K.J. Carta-Samuels	21	33	217	6.6	1	0	32.5
Collin Hill	2	8	23	2.9	0	0	9.5

FLA	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Feleipe Franks	8	15	119	7.9	2	1	23.0

RECEIVING

CSU	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Preston Williams	9	106	11.8	0	21
Trey McBride	3	60	20.0	1	48
Olabisi Johnson	5	43	8.6	0	16
Izzy Matthews	3	12	4.0	0	9
Adam Prentice	1	9	9.0	0	9
EJ Scott	1	7	7.0	0	7
Darius Wise	1	3	3.0	0	3

FLA	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Van Jefferson	2	62	31.0	1	38
Freddie Swain	1	18	18.0	1	18
Trevon Grimes	1	17	17.0	0	17
Jordan Scarlett	2	14	7.0	0	8
Tyrie Cleveland	1	6	6.0	0	6
Kadarius Toney	1	2	2.0	0	2