

WEEK THREE  
RHODE ISLAND AT UCONN

EAST HARTFORD, Conn. -- David Pindell threw for 308 yards and four touchdowns and ran for 137 yards and two more as UConn outscored Rhode Island 56-49 on Saturday.

Pindell outdueled Rhode Island quarterback JuJuan Lawson, who threw for 351 yards and four scores and ran for 85 yards and two TDs for the Rams.

The teams combined for 1,123 yards of offense.

The Huskies (1-2), who had three touchdowns in their first two games, got into the end zone on all six of their drives in the first half, including a 74-yard strike from Pindell to freshman Heron Maurisseau who found himself wide open in the middle of the field for his first collegiate score. They led 42-28 at the break.

Rhode Island (2-1) tied the game at 49 with just over 3 minutes left on a 14-yard run by Naim Jones, who pushed UConn defensive back Messiah Turner into the end zone.

But UConn running back Kevin Mensah (144 yards) scored the winning touchdown, breaking up the middle for 22 yards with under a minute to go.

Rhode Island drove to the UConn 16 with 11 seconds left, but defensive back Eli Thomas sacked Lawson to end the game.

THE TAKEAWAY

URI: The Rams, who have had 16 straight losing seasons, showed they have the offense to break that streak this year. ... Rhode Island has just one win over an FBS program, a 26-21 win over UConn in 2000 when the Huskies were transitioning from what was then I-AA.

UConn: After being outscored 118-24 against No. 18 UCF and No. 17 Boise State, the Huskies needed a bounce-back game. Pindell responded with career highs in passing, passing touchdowns and rushing touchdowns. But the Huskies, who came in giving up an average of 753 yards in its first two games, allowed 550 in this one, 307 in the first half.

Final	1	2	3	4	T		
RI	7	21	14	7	49		
UCONN	14	28	7	7	56		
Scoring Summary -----							
FIRST QUARTER							
UCONN TD 12:55				URI	UCONN		
David Pindell 17 Yd Run (Michael Tarbutt Kick)							
5 plays, 55 yards, 2:05				0	7		
URI TD 9:10							
Marven Beauvais 22 Yd pass from JaJuan Lawson (C.J. Carrick Kick)							
8 plays, 75 yards, 3:45				7	7		
UCONN TD 4:46							
Kevin Mensah 11 Yd Run (Michael Tarbutt Kick)							
11 plays, 75 yards, 4:24				7	14		
SECOND QUARTER							
UCONN TD 12:06				URI	UCONN		
Hergy Mayala 5 Yd pass from David Pindell (Michael Tarbutt Kick)							
11 plays, 51 yards, 5:44				7	21		
URI TD 9:57							
Aaron Parker 17 Yd pass from JaJuan Lawson (C.J. Carrick Kick)							
5 plays, 75 yards, 2:09				14	21		
UCONN TD 9:12							
Heron Maurisseau 74 Yd pass from David Pindell (Michael Tarbutt Kick)							
2 plays, 79 yards, 0:45				14	28		
URI TD 7:08							
JaJuan Lawson 37 Yd Run (C.J. Carrick Kick)							
4 plays, 72 yards, 2:04				1	28		
UCONN TD 2:55							
Hergy Mayala 13 Yd pass from David Pindell (Michael Tarbutt Kick)							
8 plays, 60 yards, 4:13				21	35		
URI TD 1:26							
Isaiah Coulter 15 Yd pass from JaJuan Lawson (C.J. Carrick Kick)							
5 plays, 75 yards, 1:29				28	35		
UCONN TD 0:13							
Aaron McLean 19 Yd pass from David Pindell (Michael Tarbutt Kick)							
5 plays, 75 yards, 1:13				28	42		
THIRD QUARTER							
URI TD 8:33				URI	UCONN		
JaJuan Lawson 16 Yd Run (C.J. Carrick Kick)							
4 plays, 72 yards, 2:13				35	42		
URI TD 6:04							
Tyler Burke 5 Yd pass from JaJuan Lawson (C.J. Carrick Kick)							
6 plays, 34 yards, 2:21				42	42		
UCONN TD 0:55							
David Pindell 6 Yd Run (Michael Tarbutt Kick)							
10 plays, 82 yards, 5:09				42	49		
FOURTH QUARTER							
URI TD 3:13				URI	UCONN		
Naim Jones 14 Yd Run (C.J. Carrick Kick)							
6 plays, 67 yards, 3:02				49	49		
UCONN TD 0:57							
Kevin Mensah 22 Yd Run (Michael Tarbutt Kick)							
9 plays, 69 yards, 2:16				49	56		
Team Stats							
First Downs			URI		UCONN		
Total Yards			25		26		
Total Plays			550		586		
Avg Gain Per Play			62		81		
Net Yards Rushing			8.9		7.2		
Rushes			199		278		
Yards Per Rush			28		53		
Net Yards Passing			7.1		5.2		
Comp-Att			351		308		
Yards Per Pass			23-34		20-28		
Times Sacked			10.3		11.0		
Yds Lost To Sacks			0		3		
Interceptions			0		-20		
Punts			1		1		
Punt Average			3		2		
Penalties			0.0		0.0		
Penalty Yards			7		4		
Fumbles			87		35		
Fumbles Lost			1		2		
Possession			1		2		
			24:47		35:13		
Individual Stats							
RUSHING							
URI	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
23 Naim Jones	11	95	8.6	21	1		
15 JaJuan Lawson	13	85	6.5	37	2		
4 Zoe Bryant Jr.	2	24	12.0	20	0		
6 Aaron Parker	1	-4	-4.0	0	0		
UCONN	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
34 Kevin Mensah	25	144	5.8	22	2		
5 David Pindell	26	137	5.3	45	2		
10 Xavier Scott	1	5	5.0	5	0		
80 Heron Maurisseau	1	-8	-8.0	0	0		
PASSING							
URI	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
15 JaJuan Lawson	23	34	351	10.3	4	1	187.3
UCONN	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
5 David Pindell	20	27	308	11.4	4	0	211.4
19 Quayvon Skanes	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	0
RECEIVING							
URI	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
81 Isaiah Coulter	10	156	15.6	47	1		
6 Aaron Parker	7	128	18.3	32	1		
18 Marven Beauvais	3	32	10.7	22	1		
4 Zoe Bryant Jr.	1	24	24.0	24	0		
30 Joey Kenny	1	6	6.0	6	0		
87 Tyler Burke	1	5	5.0	5	1		
11 Ahmere Dorsey	0	0	-	-	0		
CONN	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD		
80 Heron Maurisseau	1	74	74.0	74	1		
9 Tyler Davis	3	51	17.0	24	0		
1 Hergy Mayala	5	44	8.8	13	2		
10 Xavier Scott	3	38	12.7	21	0		
23 Keyion Dixon	2	37	18.5	36	0		
8 Aaron McLean	3	37	12.3	19	1		
11 Kyle Buss	1	16	16.0	16	0		
34 Kevin Mensah	1	6	6.0	6	0		
2 Tyraiq Beals	1	5	5.0	5	0		
19 Quayvon Skanes	0	0	-	-	0		