## WEEK Three WOFFORD AT WYOMING

LARAMIE, Wyo. -- Raghib Ismail Jr.'s 9-yard touchdown catch from Tyler Vander Waal with 17 seconds left capped a frantic 80-yard drive and lifted Wyoming over Wofford 17-14 on Saturday.

Wyoming (2-2) struggled on offense until Vander Waal caught fire in the fourth quarter, completing 11 of 17 passes for 133 yards.

Wofford (2-1) appeared to have secured a rare win against an FBS opponent when linebacker Robbie Armstrong hit Vander Vaal as he threw, allowing Weston Rountree to intercept with 3:25 to play.

But the Terriers gained only one first down and punted, setting up the Cowboys' game-winning drive with 1:59 remaining. On the game-winner, Ismail sliced right to left across the middle, taking Vander Waal's toss at the 5, eluding a tackle by Rountree and diving into the front left corner of the end zone.

Wofford's Joe Newman, who was 9 of 15 for 73 yards passing with two interceptions, faked a handoff up the middle then raced around right end untouched for a 4-yard TD that put the Terriers up 14-10 with 13:06 remaining.

Andre Stoddard's punishing 4-yard TD run had given Wofford a 7-3 lead in the second quarter but Vander Waal split two defenders with a 6-yard strike over the middle to Tyree Mayfield, leaving the Cowboys ahead 10-7 at the half. It was Vander Waal's first scoring toss of the season and his career. His second, to the son of former NFL and college star Raghib "Rocket" Ismail, allowed the QB to finish with a career-best 224 yards. He completed 25 of 42 passes with one interception.

Wyoming was without its top two rushers, Nico Evans (ribs) and Jevon Bigelow (concussion). Xazavian Valladay carried 15 times for 57 yards.

Wofford's Lennox McAfee led all rushers with 91 yards on 13 attempts. Andre Stoaddard added 61 yards on 17 carries.

Blake Morgan had six receptions for 48 yards for Wofford. Wyoming's Austin Conway led all receivers with 11 catches for 89 yards.

## THE TAKEAWAY

Wofford: After a school-best 671 yards last week against VMI, the Terriers were hoping their offense would shine again against a Wyoming defense that was shredded the previous two weeks. For most of the game, it was the defense that rose to the occasion. The last drive soured an otherwise outstanding effort and Wofford fell to 1-20 against FBS competition.

Wyoming: Playing their final non-conference game, the Cowboys needed a confidence boost after two blowout losses to Power 5 teams. A loss to an FCS team would have been devastating. Wyoming still has plenty of questions on offense, but the defense was much improved, and Vander Waal looked very confident on the final two drives.

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WOF	0	7	0	7		14	
MAO	0	10	0	7	,	17	
Scoring Summary							
SECOND QUARTER					WO	F	WYO
WYO FG 8:16 Cooper Rothe 20 Y	4 54014	Cool					
4 plays, 7 yards,		GOAI			0		3
WOF TD 4:32							
Andre Stoddard 4 8 plays, 75 yards		Luke Ca	rter K	ick)	7		3
WYO TD 0:49							
Tyree Mayfield 6 Y 11 plays, 75 yard		rom Tyl	er Van	der Waa	l (Coo 7	per Ro	the Kick)
FOURTH QUARTER	5, 5.45				WOI	r	MAO
WOF TD 13:06	(Tl.		1- \				
Joe Newman 4 Yd R 12 plays, 53 yard		carter	Kick)		14		10
WYO TD 0:17							
Raghib Ismail Jr. 9 Yd pass from Tyler Vander Waal (Cooper Rothe Kick)							
13 plays, 80 yard	s, 1:42				14		17
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Team Stats First Downs			<b>WOF</b> 13		<b>WYO</b> 18		
Total Yards			293		313		
Total Plays			64		69		
Avg Gain Per Play 4.6 Net Yards Rushing 219					4.5 89		
Rushes 49					27		
Yards Per Rush 4.5					3.3		
Net Yards Passing 74   Comp-Att 9-15					224 25-42		
Yards Per Pass 4.9					5.3		
Times Sacked			3		1		
Yds Lost To Sac	ks		-31		-10		
Interceptions Punts			2 6		1 7		
Punt Average			0.0		0.0		
Penalties			3		5		
Penalty Yards			16		40		
Fumbles Fumbles Lost			1		0		
Possession			31:36		28:	24	
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Individual Stats   RUSHING							
WOF	Rus	h Yds	Av	g	TD	Lon	g
Lennox McAfee Andre Stoddard	13 17	91 61	7. 3.		0 1	44 11	
Blake Morgan	5	41	8.		0	29	
Joe Newman Nathan Walker	10 2	16 9	1. 4.		1 0	7 6	
Ryan Lovelace	2	3	1.		0	2	
WYO	Rus				TD	Lon	g
Xazavian Valladay James Price	15 1	57 15	3. 15.		0 0	18 15	
Tyler Vander Waal		13	1.		0	16	
Austin Conway Team	1 1	6 <b>-</b> 2	6. -2.		0 0	6 0	
PASSING	_						:
WOF Joe Newman	Comp 9	<b>Att</b> 15	<b>Yds</b> 73	<b>Y/A</b> 4.9	<b>TD</b> 0	<b>Int</b> 2	QBRat 
MAO	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Tyler Vander Waal RECEIVING	25	42	224	5.3	2	1	50.4
WOF	Rec	Yds	Avg	т	D	Long	
Blake Morgan	6	48	8.0	(	)	16	
Jason Hill	3 <b>Rec</b>	25 <b>Yds</b>	8.3 <b>Avg</b>	T.	) <b>D</b>	11 Long	
Austin Conway	11	89	8.1	(	)	14	
James Price	4	43	10.8	(	)	16 17	

12.7 9.7 7.7

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Tyree Mayfield

Raghib Ismail Jr.

Xazavian Valladay Ayden Eberhardt