

WEEK FOUR
ARKANSAS AT TEXAS A&M

ARLINGTON, Texas -- Jimbo Fisher got his first Southeastern Conference victory at Texas A&M. He was still far from happy with the performance.

Jashaun Corbin had the first 100-yard kickoff return to start a game for Texas A&M since 1994 and Trayveon Williams ran for 153 yards with two touchdowns, but the Aggies needed a late interception to seal a 24-17 victory over Arkansas on Saturday.

“Probably played our worst football game of the year by far and need to get things fixed,” Fisher said. “Had decent intensity. But our intelligence level, how to play and how to expect to win and play from ahead and do things that champions do and good football teams do, we’ve got to grow in it.”

The Aggies (3-2, 1-1 SEC) had a 17-0 lead early in the second quarter before Arkansas even had a first down. They were driving for another potential score when Kellen Mond threw his second interception, and they also missed two field goal attempts.

“We played in spurts,” said Fisher, whose A&M losses are to No. 1 Alabama and then-No. 2 Clemson. “We came out and started well, had some great things off the beginning, lost control of the game.”

This time against Arkansas (1-4, 0-2), which also has a new coach in Chad Morris.

Corbin, a true freshman, fielded his first career return at the edge of the end zone and took off before shooting through an open gap across the field toward the opposite sideline. He streaked by the A&M bench and scored untouched to put the Aggies ahead to stay.

“Took a huge punch on the first play of the game,” Razorbacks coach Morris said. “But the thing that you saw was guys that rallied back, they fought back.”

Williams, whose 1-yard score capped A&M’s first possession, had a 4-yard TD run with 5 minutes left that made it 24-10 and proved to be the decisive score.

“Throughout the game we were inconsistent, showing spurts of greatness and then at the same time we did some things that weren’t what we were supposed to do,” Williams said.

The Razorbacks got the ball back with just under 2 minutes left in the game, but their attempt to force overtime for the fourth time in the last five meetings with A&M ended when Donovan Wilson intercepted a pass by Ty Storey with 1:11 left.

“We lost and it’s as simple as that,” Storey said. “We’ve got to start winning ball games and it’s on me. It’s on me more than anybody else.”

SERIES STREAK

Texas A&M has won seven consecutive games against former Southwest Conference rival Arkansas since they reconnected in the SEC in 2012. It’s the longest winning streak by either team in the 75-game series that dates back to 1903.

THE TAKEAWAY

Arkansas: The Razorbacks are going to have a difficult time getting an SEC victory in Morris’ first season without some drastic improvement, especially on offense. They had only 248 total yards, most coming on two 75-yard touchdowns drives -- Storey had a 29-yard TD pass to Mike Woods after Cole Kelley’s earlier keeper for a 1-yard score . They went three-and-out on seven possessions, including all four in the first quarter when they had minus-3 total yards.

Texas A&M: Mond didn’t account for a touchdown for the first time this season and threw both of his interceptions before halftime -- both right to linebacker Dre Greenlaw. But Mond was 17-of-26 passing for 201 yards and the Aggies also have one of the SEC’s top running backs in Williams.

THERE AT THE END

Wilson, who had the game-clinching interception, had been ejected from two games earlier this season because of targeting. But he was there at the end for the big play against Arkansas. “I’ve just got to learn from the mistakes I’ve made,” he said. “Play my game without being too hesitant but I should always learn from those mistakes.”

FIRST MISSES

True freshman kicker Seth Small had made his first six field-goal attempts for Texas A&M filling in for injured senior Daniel La-Camera. That included a 30-yarder on Saturday. But he missed a 36-yard attempt wide left at the end of the first half and hit the right upright on a 33-yard try in the fourth quarter.

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ARK	0	7	3	7	17
TA&M	14	3	0	7	24

Scoring Summary -----

FIRST QUARTER	ARK	TA&M
TA&M TD 14:46		
Jashaun Corbin 100 Yd Kickoff Return (Seth Small Kick)		
0 plays, 0 yards, 0:14	0	7
TA&M TD 8:36		
Trayveon Williams 1 Yd Run (Seth Small Kick)		
8 plays, 79 yards, 4:50	0	14
SECOND QUARTER	ARK	TA&M
TA&M FG 12:36		
Seth Small 30 Yd Field Goal		
7 plays, 48 yards, 2:36	0	17
ARK TD 9:35		
Cole Kelley 1 Yd Run (Connor Limpert Kick)		
7 plays, 75 yards, 3:01	7	17
THIRD QUARTER	ARK	TA&M
ARK FG 11:16		
Connor Limpert 47 Yd Field Goal		
9 plays, 46 yards, 3:44	10	17
FOURTH QUARTER	ARK	TA&M
TA&M TD 5:03		
Trayveon Williams 4 Yd Run (Seth Small Kick)		
7 plays, 61 yards, 3:31	10	24
ARK TD 3:16		
Michael Woods 29 Yd pass from Ty Storey (Connor Limpert Kick)		
6 plays, 75 yards, 1:47	17	24

Team Stats	ARK	TA&M
First Downs	12	27
Total Yards	248	377
Total Plays	53	72
Avg Gain Per Play	4.7	5.2
Net Yards Rushing	55	176
Rushes	26	46
Yards Per Rush	2.1	3.8
Net Yards Passing	193	201
Comp-Att	14-27	17-26
Yards Per Pass	7.1	7.7
Times Sacked	5	3
Yds Lost To Sacks	-25	-18
Interceptions	1	2
Punts	8	4
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	6	7
Penalty Yards	60	45
Fumbles	0	0
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Possession	23:04	36:56

Individual Stats

RUSHING

ARK	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Rakeem Boyd	10	47	4.7	0	25
T.J. Hammonds	3	6	2.0	0	5
Cole Kelley	1	1	1.0	1	1
Chase Hayden	1	1	1.0	0	1
Ty Storey	10	1	0.1	0	11
Team	1	-1	-1.0	0	0
TA&M	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Trayveon Williams	29	152	5.2	2	16
Kellen Mond	11	14	1.3	0	12
Jashaun Corbin	4	12	3.0	0	6
Team	2	-2	-1.0	0	0

PASSING

ARK	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Ty Storey	14	26	193	7.4	1	1	21.8
Cole Kelley	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	72.5
TA&M	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Kellen Mond	17	26	201	7.7	0	2	33.6

RECEIVING

ARK	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Cheyenne O’Grady	3	77	25.7	0	36
Michael Woods	2	50	25.0	1	29
Rakeem Boyd	4	33	8.3	0	11
Jared Cornelius	1	11	11.0	0	11
La’Michael Pettway	1	10	10.0	0	10
Deon Stewart	1	6	6.0	0	6
Jordan Jones	2	6	3.0	0	8
TA&M	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Camron Buckley	5	72	14.4	0	23
Jace Sternberger	4	51	12.8	0	26
Hezekiah Jones	4	33	8.3	0	10
Roshauud Paul	1	19	19.0	0	19
Trayveon Williams	1	13	13.0	0	13
Quartney Davis	1	8	8.0	0	8
Jhamon Ausbon	1	5	5.0	0	5