

WEEK SIX
NORTHERN ILLINOIS AT BALL STATE

MUNCIE, Ind. (AP) Tre Harbison ran for two scores, Marcus Childers threw for a touchdown and Northern Illinois held off Ball State 24-16 on Saturday.

NIU had a 21-6 lead late in the third quarter, but the Cardinals closed to 21-16 on James Gilbert's 3-yard TD run that was set up by Ray Wilborn's interception. NIU answered with Andrew Gantz's 27-yard field goal for a two-possession game with 5:26 to play.

Ball State drove to NIU's 35, but was stopped on downs when Riley Neal's pass to Justin Hall was broken up by Trayshon Foster in the end zone.

Childers was 18 of 29 for 143 yards passing with a 13-yard TD pass to D.J. Brown for the Huskies (3-3, 2-2 Mid-American Conference).

Harbison scored on a 1-yard run for a 14-0 second-quarter lead and his second 1-yarder in the third quarter made it 21-6. Marcus Jones gained 130 yards on 12 carries.

Neal was 28 of 45 for 219 yards passing for the Cardinals (2-4, 2-2).

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NIU	7	7	7	3	24
BALL	0	6	3	7	16

Scoring Summary -----

	NIU	BALL
FIRST QUARTER		
NIU TD 5:51		
D.J. Brown 13 Yd pass from Marcus Childers (Andrew Gantz Kick)	7	0
4 plays, 80 yards, 1:14		
SECOND QUARTER		
NIU TD 11:16		
Tre Harbison 1 Yd Run (Andrew Gantz Kick)	14	0
10 plays, 71 yards, 3:50		
BALL FG 6:32		3
Morgan Hagee 26 Yd Field Goal	14	3
15 plays, 62 yards, 4:39		
BALL FG 0:25		6
Morgan Hagee 51 Yd Field Goal	14	6
9 plays, 50 yards, 2:02		
THIRD QUARTER		
NIU TD 5:47		
Tre Harbison 1 Yd Run (Andrew Gantz Kick)	21	6
14 plays, 80 yards, 5:37		
BALL FG 0:24		9
Morgan Hagee 47 Yd Field Goal	21	9
16 plays, 64 yards, 5:17		
FOURTH QUARTER		
BALL TD 9:15		
James Gilbert 3 Yd Run (Morgan Hagee Kick)	21	16
1 play, 3 yards, 0:04		
NIU FG 5:26		16
Andrew Gantz 27 Yd Field Goal	24	16
9 plays, 54 yards, 3:42		

Team Stats	NIU	BALL
First Downs	23	26
Total Yards	370	391
Total Plays	72	96
Avg Gain Per Play	5.1	4.1
Net Yards Rushing	227	131
Rushes	43	40
Yards Per Rush	5.3	3.3
Net Yards Passing	143	260
Comp-Att	18-29	32-56
Yards Per Pass	4.9	4.6
Times Sacked	2	3
Yds Lost To Sacks	-17	-26
Interceptions	1	0
Punts	6	4
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	6	2
Penalty Yards	38	16
Fumbles	0	1
Fumbles Lost	0	1
Possession	28:38	31:22

Individual Stats

RUSHING

NIU	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Marcus Jones	12	130	10.8	0	64
Tre Harbison	15	48	3.2	2	10
D.J. Brown	3	27	9.0	0	19
Jordan Nettles	4	17	4.3	0	12
Marcus Childers	9	5	0.6	0	18
BALL	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
James Gilbert	19	79	4.2	1	14
Malik Dunner	9	33	3.7	0	11
Riley Neal	9	16	1.8	0	12
Caleb Huntley	2	9	4.5	0	5
Justin Hall	1	-6	-6.0	0	0

PASSING

NIU	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Marcus Childers	18	29	143	4.9	1	1	34.2
BALL	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Riley Neal	32	56	260	4.6	0	0	48.4

RECEIVING

NIU	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
D.J. Brown	7	49	7.0	1	13
Dennis Robinson	3	27	9.0	0	11
Jauan Wesley	2	23	11.5	0	14
Spencer Tears	2	20	10.0	0	11
Cole Tucker	1	11	11.0	0	11
Marcus Jones	2	10	5.0	0	14
Jordan Nettles	1	3	3.0	0	3
BALL	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Riley Miller	5	65	13.0	0	24
Justin Hall	7	59	8.4	0	19
Corey Lacanaria	6	41	6.8	0	13
James Gilbert	4	26	6.5	0	15
Devin Reece	1	23	23.0	0	23
Kyle Schrank	2	15	7.5	0	10
Yo'Heinz Tyler	3	15	5.0	0	7
Malik Dunner	1	9	9.0	0	9
Nolan Givan	3	7	2.3	0	9