

WEEK SIX
UTAH AT STANFORD

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) Jaylon Johnson returned an interception 100 yards for a touchdown and Zack Moss ran for two scores to lead Utah to a 40-21 victory over No. 14 Stanford on Saturday night.

Moss ran for 160 yards and the Utes (3-2, 1-2 Pac-12) intercepted K.J. Costello on back-to-back first-half drives in the red zone to snap an 11-game home winning streak for the Cardinal (4-2, 2-1).

Utah ended a six-game skid against Top 25 teams with its first win over a ranked program in three years.

Johnson intercepted the first at the goal line and raced down the sideline for the third 100-yard interception return in school history and first since Harold Lusk did it in 1994 against Colorado State.

Stanford then drove back down the field only to have Costello give the ball away again when he tried to throw it away to avoid a sack. The ball instead went right into the hands of 300-pound defensive lineman Hauati Pututau.

The Utes then drove down the field and made it 21-0 on Moss' 35-yard run on fourth-and-2.

Costello tried to lead a comeback for the Cardinal on a night when star running back Bryce Love was missing with an injured ankle. Costello threw for 385 yards and cut the deficit to 27-21 late in the third quarter with a 26-yard TD pass to Michael Wilson.

But Utah added a field goal, sacked Costello to get the ball back and then delivered a knockout blow when Tyler Huntley narrowly avoided a sack and lofted a 57-yard TD pass to Samson Nacua that made it 37-21 and gave the Utes their first TD pass of the season against an FBS team.

THE TAKEAWAY

Utah: Coach Kyle Whittingham was aggressive for much of the night. He went for it on fourth down in the first half and was rewarded by Moss' long run. Then after the Cardinal scored with 24 seconds left in the half, the Utes went for it and that paid off as well when Utah moved the ball 45 yards to set up Matt Gay's 48-yard field goal that made it 24-7 at the break.

Stanford: The Cardinal have uncharacteristically struggled to run the ball this season and the problem only got worse with Love sidelined. Cameron Scarlett and Trevor Speights were unable to generate any consistency, and Stanford was held to just 42 yards on 28 carries.

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UTAH	7	17	3	13	40
STAN	0	7	14	0	21

Scoring Summary -----

	UTAH	STAN
FIRST QUARTER		
UTAH TD 0:47		
Zack Moss 7 Yd Run (Matt Gay Kick)		
13 plays, 80 yards, 6:28	7	0
SECOND QUARTER		
UTAH TD 10:50		
Jaylon Johnson 100 Yd Interception Return (Matt Gay Kick)		
11 plays, 66 yards, 4:57	14	0
UTAH TD 2:56		
Zack Moss 35 Yd Run (Matt Gay Kick)		
9 plays, 72 yards, 5:19	21	0
STAN TD 0:24		
Trevor Speights 2 Yd Run (Jet Toner Kick)		
11 plays, 77 yards, 2:32	21	7
UTAH FG 0:00		
Matt Gay 48 Yd Field Goal		
4 plays, 45 yards, 0:24	24	7
THIRD QUARTER		
UTAH FG 9:40		
Matt Gay 49 Yd Field Goal		
12 plays, 44 yards, 5:20	27	7
STAN TD 5:02		
Cameron Scarlett 1 Yd Run (Jet Toner Kick)		
9 plays, 77 yards, 4:38	27	14
STAN TD 1:44		
Michael Wilson 26 Yd pass from K.J. Costello (Jet Toner Kick)		
5 plays, 74 yards, 2:02	27	21
FOURTH QUARTER		
UTAH FG 12:33		
Matt Gay 34 Yd Field Goal		
9 plays, 59 yards, 4:11	30	21
UTAH TD 7:12		
Samson Nacua 57 Yd pass from Tyler Huntley (Matt Gay Kick)		
5 plays, 74 yards, 2:39	37	21
UTAH FG 3:34		
Matt Gay 37 Yd Field Goal		
5 plays, 39 yards, 1:58	40	21

Team Stats	UTAH	STAN
First Downs	22	28
Total Yards	421	423
Total Plays	64	70
Avg Gain Per Play	6.6	6.0
Net Yards Rushing	222	42
Rushes	43	28
Yards Per Rush	5.2	1.5
Net Yards Passing	199	381
Comp-Att	17-21	26-42
Yards Per Pass	9.5	9.1
Times Sacked	1	3
Yds Lost To Sacks	-9	-21
Interceptions	0	2
Punts	2	3
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	7	2
Penalty Yards	65	20
Fumbles	0	2
Fumbles Lost	0	2
Possession	31:20	28:40

Individual Stats

RUSHING

UTAH	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Zack Moss	20	160	8.0	2	35
Armand Shyne	10	38	3.8	0	8
Tyler Huntley	10	23	2.3	0	6
Britain Covey	1	4	4.0	0	4
Team	2	-3	-1.5	0	0

STAN	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Trevor Speights	17	56	3.3	1	12
Cameron Scarlett	6	17	2.8	1	8
Michael Wilson	1	-1	-1.0	0	0
K.J. Costello	4	-30	-7.5	0	0

PASSING

UTAH	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Tyler Huntley	17	21	199	9.5	1	0	176.3
STAN	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
K.J. Costello	26	41	381	9.3	1	2	139.8
Team	0	1	0	0.0	0	0	-

RECEIVING

UTAH	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Samson Nacua	2	70	35.0	1	57
Britain Covey	6	70	11.7	0	19
Brant Kuithe	3	22	7.3	0	17
Demari Simpkins	3	20	6.7	0	9
Cole Fotheringham	1	13	13.0	0	13
Solomon Enis	1	4	4.0	0	4
Zack Moss	1	0	0.0	0	0

STAN	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Kaden Smith	8	120	15.0	0	26
JJ Arcega-Whiteside	8	103	12.9	0	22
Trenton Irwin	7	100	14.3	0	30
Michael Wilson	1	26	26.0	1	26
Colby Parkinson	1	24	24.0	0	24
Trevor Speights	1	8	8.0	0	8