

WEEK THIRTEEN
NORTHERN ILLINOIS AT WESTERN MICHIGAN

KALAMAZOO, Mich. -- Jamauri Bogan rushed for 63 yards and two touchdowns and Western Michigan held off Northern Illinois 28-21 on Tuesday night.

Bogan's second TD came from a yard out with 1:36 left in the fourth quarter and helped the Broncos (7-5, 5-3 Mid-American Conference) knock off the Huskies (7-5, 6-2), who had already wrapped up the West Division title and a berth in the MAC championship game.

Bogan scored on a 2-yard run to stake the Broncos to a 7-0 first-quarter lead, but Northern Illinois' Marcus Childers hooked up with Spencer Tears for a 58-yard scoring strike and a 7-all tie. Freshman Gavin Peddie kicked two second-quarter field goals to give Western Michigan a 13-7 lead at intermission.

The Huskies grabbed a 14-13 lead midway through the third quarter on Childers' 1-yard TD run, but Kaleb Eleby scored on a 2-yard run and hit Jayden Reed for the 2-point conversion to put the Broncos back on top 21-14. Northern Illinois pulled even again when Sutton Smith picked up a LeVante Bellamy fumble and raced 85 yards to the end zone with 28 seconds left in the third quarter.

Western Michigan's defense held the Huskies to two three-and-out drives in the fourth quarter and polished off the win when Harrison Taylor picked off Childers with 1:36 remaining.

Eleby passed for 285 yards and connected with D'Wayne Eskridge six times for 123 yards.

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NIU	7	0	14	0	21
WMU	7	6	8	7	28

Scoring Summary -----

	NIU	WMU
FIRST QUARTER		
WMU TD 12:01		
Jamauri Bogan 2 Yd Run (Gavin Peddie Kick)		
8 plays, 75 yards, 2:59	0	7
NIU TD 5:05		
Spencer Tears 58 Yd pass from Marcus Childers (Andrew Gantz Kick)		
6 plays, 80 yards, 2:15	7	7
SECOND QUARTER		
WMU FG 10:16		
Gavin Peddie 45 Yd Field Goal		
9 plays, 44 yards, 3:56	7	10
WMU FG 4:52		
Gavin Peddie 42 Yd Field Goal		
9 plays, 28 yards, 4:06	7	13
THIRD QUARTER		
NIU TD 9:44		
Marcus Childers 1 Yd Run (Andrew Gantz Kick)		
16 plays, 82 yards, 5:16	14	13
WMU TD 1:28		
Kaleb Eleby 2 Yd Run (Kaleb Eleby Pass to Jayden Reed for Two-Point Conversion)		
9 plays, 87 yards, 3:53	14	21
NIU TD 0:28		
Sutton Smith 85 Yd Fumble Return (Andrew Gantz Kick)		
3 plays, 9 yards, 0:52	21	21
FOURTH QUARTER		
WMU TD 1:36		
Jamauri Bogan 1 Yd Run (Gavin Peddie Kick)		
14 plays, 83 yards, 5:56	21	28

Team Stats	NIU	WMU
First Downs	16	22
Total Yards	262	379
Total Plays	64	81
Avg Gain Per Play	4.1	4.7
Net Yards Rushing	106	94
Rushes	43	46
Yards Per Rush	2.5	2.0
Net Yards Passing	156	285
Comp-Att	14-21	19-35
Yards Per Pass	7.4	8.1
Times Sacked	4	6
Yds Lost To Sacks	-29	-37
Interceptions	2	0
Punts	6	5
Punt Average	38.5	35.8
Penalties	5	2
Penalty Yards	45	10
Fumbles	2	1
Fumbles Lost	1	1
Possession	24:57	35:03

Individual Stats

RUSHING

NIU	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
15 Marcus Childers	22	53	2.4	13	1
22 Tre Harbison	16	43	2.7	8	0
10 D.J. Brown	2	6	3.0	3	0
21 Marcus Jones	3	4	1.3	3	0

WMU	Rush	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
32 Jamauri Bogan	14	63	4.5	21	2
2 LeVante Bellamy	15	52	3.5	15	0
28 Chase Brown	5	18	3.6	10	0
87 Jayden Reed	1	-9	-9.0	0	0
9 Kaleb Eleby	8	-23	-2.9	12	1

PASSING

NIU	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
15 Marcus Childers	14	21	156	7.4	1	2	125.7

WMU	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
9 Kaleb Eleby	19	35	285	8.1	0	0	122.7

RECEIVING

NIU	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
14 Spencer Tears	6	84	14.0	58	1
9 Jauan Wesley	2	32	16.0	20	0
10 D.J. Brown	5	30	6.0	19	0
17 Dennis Robinson	1	10	10.0	10	0

WMU	Rec	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
7 D'Wayne Eskridge	6	123	20.5	39	0
87 Jayden Reed	6	85	14.2	39	0
15 Giovanni Ricci	3	35	11.7	12	0
13 Keishawn Watson	2	22	11.0	14	0
2 LeVante Bellamy	1	13	13.0	13	0
28 Chase Brown	1	7	7.0	7	0