

WEEK THREE
AOUTHERN MISS at TROY

Adams helps Southern Miss hold on to beat Troy 47-42

TROY, Ala. -- Jaylond Adams returned a kickoff 100 yards to help Southern Mississippi thwart Troy's come-back bid and secure a 47-42 victory on Saturday.

Troy's Reggie Todd had just returned a kickoff 69 yards as the Trojans closed to 33-28 with 11:28 remaining in the fourth quarter. Adams answered on the following kickoff to stretch the lead to 40-28. The teams then traded touchdowns until Troy's Kaleb Barker hit Khalil McClain on a 35-yard touchdown toss to close to 47-42 with 2:51 remaining.

The ensuing onside kick was recovered by the Golden Eagles and they ran out the clock.

The teams had played nine times previously but had never faced off in Troy and Southern Mississippi made the most of the opportunity, going ahead 33-21 after Neil McLaurin nailed Jordan Mitchell on a 51-yard scoring strike early in the fourth.

Adams accounted for 322 all-purpose yards, catching 11 passes for 180 yards and returning three kickoffs for 136 yards total. He also had a punt return for five yards and one rush for one yard.

Jack Abraham led the Golden Eagles (2-1), throwing for a career-best 463 yards and two scores. Quez Watkins finished with 209 yards receiving.

Barker threw for a career-high 504 yards and four touchdowns for Troy (1-1).

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USM	14	3	9	21	47
TROY	7	7	7	21	42

Scoring Summary -----

	USM	TROY
FIRST QUARTER		
USM TD 5:30 Jack Abraham 5 Yd Run (Andrew Stein Kick)	7	0
17 plays, 93 yards, 7:52		
USM TD 2:04 Steven Anderson 1 Yd Run (Andrew Stein Kick)	14	0
4 plays, 60 yards, 1:35		
TROY TD 0:42 Kaylon Geiger 57 Yd pass from Kaleb Barker (Tyler Sumpt-er Kick)	14	7
5 plays, 93 yards, 1:22		
SECOND QUARTER		
TROY TD 7:09 DK Billingsley 2 Yd Run (Tyler Sumpter Kick)	14	14
7 plays, 97 yards, 3:10		
USM FG 0:00 Andrew Stein 26 Yd Field Goal	17	14
6 plays, 63 yards, 1:03		
THIRD QUARTER		
TROY TD 11:40 Tray Eafford 25 Yd pass from Kaleb Barker (Tyler Sumpt-er Kick)	17	21
4 plays, 80 yards, 0:59		
USM FG 6:32 Andrew Stein 39 Yd Field Goal	20	21
12 plays, 53 yards, 5:08		
USM TD 0:11 Quez Watkins 19 Yd pass from Jack Abraham (Two-Point Run Conversion Failed)	26	21
7 plays, 80 yards, 3:35		
FOURTH QUARTER		
USM TD 11:40 Jordan Mitchell 51 Yd pass from Neil McLaurin (Andrew Stein Kick)	33	21
2 plays, 67 yards, 1:01		
TROY TD 11:28 Reggie Todd 69 Yd Kickoff Return (Tyler Sumpter Kick)	33	28
0 plays, 0 yards, 0:00		
USM TD 11:15 Jaylond Adams 100 Yd Kickoff Return (Andrew Stein Kick)	40	28
0 plays, 0 yards, 0:00		
TROY TD 8:53 Khalil McClain 34 Yd pass from Kaleb Barker (Tyler Sumpter Kick)	40	35
7 plays, 65 yards, 2:22		
USM TD 7:10 Quez Watkins 64 Yd pass from Jack Abraham (Andrew Stein Kick)	47	35
4 plays, 75 yards, 1:43		
TROY TD 2:51 Khalil McClain 35 Yd pass from Kaleb Barker (Tyler Sumpter Kick)	47	42
7 plays, 77 yards, 1:34		

Team Stats	USM	TROY
First Downs	26	22
Passes for First	18	19
Rushes for First	7	1
Penalties for First	1	2
Third Down Efficiency	11-17	4-11
Fourth Down Efficiency	1-1	1-1
Total Yards	627	528
Total Plays	77	59
Avg Gain Per Play	8.1	8.9
Net Yards Rushing	112	24
Rushes	40	16
Yards Per Rush	2.8	1.5
Net Yards Passing	515	504
Comp-Att	29-37	29-43
Yards Per Pass	13.9	11.7
Times Sacked	4	1
Yds Lost To Sacks	-19	-10
Interceptions	0	0
Punts	4	5
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	10	4
Penalty Yards	160	47
Fumbles	0	1
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Time of Poss	35:11	34:49

Individual Stats

RUSHING

	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
SOUTHERN MISS					
De'Michael Harris	14	31	2.2	0	16
Kevin Perkins	9	28	3.1	0	9
Jack Abraham	7	26	3.7	1	11
Steven Anderson	9	26	2.9	1	9
Jaylond Adams	1	1	1.0	0	1
TROY					
DK Billingsley	9	41	4.6	1	9
Jabir Daughtry-Frye	1	3	3.0	0	3
Jamontez Woods	1	1	1.0	0	1
B.J. Smith	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
Kaleb Barker	4	-19	-4.8	0	0

PASSING

	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
SOUTHERN MISS							
Jack Abraham	28/36	463	12.9	2	0	97.7	
Neil McLaurin	1/1	51	51.0	1	0	100.0	
TROY							
Kaleb Barker	29/43	504	11.7	4	0	84.3	

RECEIVING

	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
SOUTHERN MISS					
Quez Watkins	7	209	29.9	2	64
Jaylond Adams	11	180	16.4	0	48
Jordan Mitchell	3	68	22.7	1	51
Cole Cavallo	1	28	28.0	0	28
De'Michael Harris	4	18	4.5	0	12
Tim Jones	3	11	3.7	0	4
TROY					
Kaylon Geiger	6	118	19.7	1	57
Tray Eafford	7	110	15.7	1	38
Luke Whittemore	5	110	22.0	0	42
Khalil McClain	4	104	26.0	2	35
Reggie Todd	3	24	8.0	0	17
DK Billingsley	2	20	10.0	0	14
B.J. Smith	1	10	10.0	0	10
Bret Clark	1	8	8.0	0	8