

WEEK EIGHT
AUBURN at ARKANSAS

No. 11 Auburn routs Arkansas 51-10

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) Bo Nix passed for three touchdowns and ran for another as No. 11 Auburn routed Arkansas 51-10 Saturday.

Nix turned a close game into a blowout by throwing two TDs in a span of 22 seconds in the third quarter. Before the quick scores, Arkansas had pulled within 17-3 on Connor Limpert's 28-yard field goal.

Nix, a true freshman, hit Seth Williams down the right sideline on a 48-yard pass with 4:19 left in the third quarter, then after an Auburn interception, Nix connected with Anthony Schwartz on a 15-yard scoring strike to give the Tigers (6-1, 3-1 Southeastern Conference) some breathing room.

Auburn, now 9-0 under coach Gus Malzahn coming off a bye week, scored two touchdowns on its first six offensive snaps to take a 14-0 lead in the first quarter. On the third play of the game, Auburn defensive end Marlon Davidson stripped Arkansas quarterback Ben Hicks of the ball and the Tigers quickly capitalized with Nix scoring on a keeper from the 4.

The Tigers needed just three plays again after a short Arkansas punt as Kam Martin dashed 52 yards on first down, then Shaun Shivers bounced around the left side on a 9-yard scoring run and a 14-0 lead with 10:48 still left in the first quarter.

After the opening fireworks, the Tigers went quiet offensively. Auburn's defense still made plenty of noise. Auburn held the Razorbacks (2-5, 0-4) without a first down until 43 seconds remained in the first quarter. Arkansas finally put together a lengthy drive toward the end of the first half, but Limpert's 44-yard field goal attempt at the end of the half hooked wide right.

Arkansas' third quarter scoring drive, aided by two major penalties, seemed to wake the Tigers up. Auburn answered swiftly, handing Arkansas its 15th consecutive SEC loss.

Nix was 12-of-17 passing for 176 yards for the Tigers, and Williams caught four passes for 90 yards.

THE TAKEAWAY

Auburn seemed to put the 24-13 loss to Florida before its bye week in the rearview mirror. The two quick first-quarter touchdowns were more than enough for the Tigers, although Nix had consistency issues for a lot of the first half.

The Tigers only had 170 yards of total offense at halftime with 52 of that on Martin's long run. Auburn also went three-and-out on its first possession of the second half before torching the Razorbacks on the back-to-back scoring passes to lock down the win.

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AUB	17	0	14	20	51
ARK	0	0	10	0	10

Scoring Summary -----

	AUB	ARK
FIRST QUARTER		
AUB TD 12:38 Bo Nix 4 Yd Run (Anders Carlson Kick)	7	0
3 plays, 22 yards, 1:02		
AUB TD 10:48 Shaun Shivers 6 Yd Run (Anders Carlson Kick)	14	0
3 plays, 63 yards, 0:57		
AUB FG 0:51 Anders Carlson 44 Yd Field Goal	17	0
13 plays, 55 yards, 5:32		
THIRD QUARTER		
ARK FG 5:53 Connor Limpert 28 Yd Field Goal	17	3
16 plays, 77 yards, 7:30		
AUB TD 4:19 Seth Williams 48 Yd pass from Bo Nix (Anders Carlson Kick)	24	3
5 plays, 72 yards, 1:34		
AUB TD 3:57 Anthony Schwartz 28 Yd pass from Bo Nix (Anders Carlson Kick)	31	3
2 plays, 56 yards, 0:16		
ARK TD 0:14 Cheyenne O'Grady 45 Yd pass from Ben Hicks (Connor Limpert Kick)	31	10
1 play, 45 yards, 0:10		
FOURTH QUARTER		
AUB TD 11:54 Seth Williams 15 Yd pass from Bo Nix (Anders Carlson PAT failed)	37	10
8 plays, 64 yards, 3:20		
AUB TD 7:03 Jay Jay Wilson 17 Yd pass from Joey Gatewood (Anders Carlson Kick)	44	10
8 plays, 59 yards, 4:21		
AUB TD 2:27 Harold Joiner 32 Yd Run (Anders Carlson Kick)	51	10
5 plays, 65 yards, 3:02		

Team Stats	AUB	ARK
First Downs	24	14
Passes for First	10	7
Rushes for First	13	4
Penalties for First	1	3
Third Down Efficiency	7-13	4-16
Fourth Down Efficiency	0-1	1-3
Total Yards	491	234
Total Plays	70	68
Avg Gain Per Play	7.0	3.4
Net Yards Rushing	298	52
Rushes	51	28
Yards Per Rush	5.8	1.9
Net Yards Passing	193	182
Comp-Att	13-19	19-40
Yards Per Pass	10.2	4.6
Times Sacked	2	3
Yds Lost To Sacks	-8	-12
Interceptions	0	2
Punts	2	6
Punt Average	47.0	36.8
Penalties	5	4
Penalty Yards	45	34
Fumbles	1	2
Fumbles Lost	1	2
Time of Poss	30:25	29:35

Individual Stats

RUSHING

AUBURN	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Kam Martin	10	84	8.4	0	52
Harold Joiner	4	59	14.8	1	32
D.J. Williams	11	48	4.4	0	10
Anthony Schwartz	2	30	15.0	0	28
Shaun Shivers	5	28	5.6	1	12
Joey Gatewood	6	24	4.0	0	13
Bo Nix	8	19	2.4	1	14
Malik Miller	2	9	4.5	0	7
Team	3	-3	-1.0	0	0

ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Rakeem Boyd	13	39	3.0	0	11
Devwah Whaley	4	12	3.0	0	5
T.J. Hammonds	1	3	3.0	0	3
Cheyenne O'Grady	1	3	3.0	0	3
Treyton Burks	2	-1	-0.5	0	2
Ben Hicks	7	-4	-0.6	0	5

PASSING

AUBURN	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Bo Nix	12	17	176	10.4	3	0	82.7
Joey Gatewood	1	2	17	8.5	1	0	1.1
ARKANSAS	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Ben Hicks	19	39	182	4.7	1	1	12.2
Sam Loy	0	1	0	0.0	0	1	0.0

RECEIVING

AUBURN	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Seth Williams	4	90	22.5	2	48
Anthony Schwartz	6	73	12.2	1	28
Jay Jay Wilson	1	17	17.0	1	17
Sal Cannella	1	7	7.0	0	7
Shedrick Jackson	1	6	6.0	0	6
ARKANSAS	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Cheyenne O'Grady	7	72	10.3	1	45
Trey Knox	3	34	11.3	0	19
Treyton Burks	3	28	9.3	0	13
Rakeem Boyd	2	26	13.0	0	17
Devwah Whaley	2	19	9.5	0	12
Tyson Morris	1	8	8.0	0	8
T.J. Hammonds	1	-5	-5.0	0	0