Troy tops South Alabama 37-13 in Battle for the Belt

TROY, Ala. -- Kaleb Barker connected with receiver Kaylon Geiger for two touchdowns and Troy beat in-state rival South Alabama 37-13 on Wednesday night in the Battle for the Belt.

Will Sunderland made it 30-13 with an easy interception, returning it 27 yards early in the fourth quarter for Troy's second interception. Freshman Trevon Woolfolk sealed it on a 4-yard run for his first career touchdown.

Barker, who left the game at Missouri in the second quarter after a late hit, threw for 194 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions for Troy (3-3, 1-1 Sun Belt). He entered ranked ninth in the nation averaging 295.2 passing yards. Geiger caught four passes for 29 yards and DK Billingsley rushed for 100 yards.

Troy has held its last four opponents to a combined 22 points in the second half.

South Alabama (1-6, 0-3), which has lost its last five games, faces No. 24 Appalachian State next weekend. Cephus Johnson had 183 yards passing with two interceptions. Tra Minter rushed for 86 yards.

Final	1	2	3	4	T
USA	3	7	3	0	13
TROY	3	13	7	14	37

Scoring Summary ---------------

FIRST QUARTER	USA	TROY
TROY FG 10:38 Tyler Sumpter 31 Yd Field Goal		
12 plays, 58 yards, 4:22	0	3
USA FG 5:15 Frankie Onate 17 Yd Field Goal		
11 plays, 58 yards, 5:23	3	3
SECOND QUARTER	**USA**	**TROY**
TROY TD 14:17 Kaylon Geiger 1 Yd pass from Kaleb Barker (Tyler Sumpter Kick)		
14 plays, 75 yards, 5:58	3	10
USA TD 6:07 Kawaan Baker 3 Yd Run (Frankie Onate Kick)		
1 play, 3 yards, 0:06	10	10
TROY FG 1:08 Tyler Sumpter 22 Yd Field Goal		
7 plays, 46 yards, 2:24	10	13
TROY FG 0:00 Tyler Sumpter 29 Yd Field Goal		
8 plays, 37 yards, 0:47	10	16
THIRD QUARTER	**USA**	**TROY**
TROY TD 9:25 Kaylon Geiger 15 Yd pass from Kaleb Barker (Tyler Sumpter Kick)		
10 plays, 87 yards, 2:47	10	23
USA FG 2:54 Frankie Onate 31 Yd Field Goal		
9 plays, 22 yards, 3:07	13	23
FOURTH QUARTER	**USA**	**TROY**
TROY TD 14:02 Will Sunderland 29 Yd Interception Return (Tyler Sumpter Kick)		
1 play, 0 yards, 0:10	13	30
TROY TD 4:09 Trevon Woolfolk 4 Yd Run (Tyler Sumpter Kick)		
13 plays, 71 yards, 8:10	13	37

Team Stats

	USA	TROY
First Downs	20	28
Passes for First	10	11
Rushes for First	7	17
Penalties for First	3	0
Third Down Efficiency	3-12	10-17
Fourth Down Efficiency	1-3	1-1
Total Yards	274	432
Total Plays	72	82
Avg Gain Per Play	3.8	5.3
Net Yards Rushing	91	220
Rushes	34	51
Yards Per Rush	2.7	4.3
Net Yards Passing	183	212
Comp-Att	20-38	21-31
Yards Per Pass	4.8	6.8
Times Sacked	2	0
Yds Lost To Sacks	-18	0
Interceptions	2	2
Punts	2	0
Punt Average	27.0	0.0
Penalties	4	5
Penalty Yards	20	56
Fumbles	1	1
Fumbles Lost	1	1
Time of Poss	27:10	32:50

Individual Stats

RUSHING

SOUTH ALABAMA	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Tra Minter	17	86	5.1	0	14
Kawaan Baker	4	15	3.8	1	9
Carlos Davis	6	1	0.2	0	10
Jared Wilson	1	0	0.0	0	0
Cephus Johnson	5	-11	-2.2	0	1
TROY	**Rush**	**Yds**	**Avg**	**TD**	**LONG**
DK Billingsley	20	100	5.0	0	12
Trevon Woolfolk	10	42	4.2	1	15
Kaleb Barker	10	36	3.6	0	11
Jabir Daughtry-Frye	6	26	4.3	0	10
Kaylon Geiger	2	20	10.0	0	15
Team	3	-4	-1.3	0	0

PASSING

SOUTH ALABAMA	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Cephus Johnson	20	38	183	4.8	0	2	14.4
TROY	**Comp**	**Att**	**Yds**	**Y/A**	**TD**	**Int**	**QBRat**
Kaleb Barker	20	30	194	6.5	2	2	71.0
Khalil McClain	1	1	18	18.0	0	0	96.2

RECEIVING

SOUTH ALABAMA	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	LONG
Jalen Tolbert	2	48	24.0	0	34
Kawaan Baker	5	42	8.4	0	16
Tra Minter	6	36	6.0	0	13
Davyn Flenord	4	33	8.3	0	14
Carlos Davis	1	13	13.0	0	13
Jared Wilson	1	7	7.0	0	7
Tre'Veon Hamilton	1	4	4.0	0	4
TROY	**Rec**	**Yds**	**Avg**	**TD**	**LONG**
Bret Clark	4	60	15.0	0	19
Reggie Todd	3	44	14.7	0	19
Luke Whittemore	3	34	11.3	0	13
Kaylon Geiger	4	29	7.3	2	15
DK Billingsley	2	15	7.5	0	9
Khalil McClain	2	15	7.5	0	9
Jabir Daughtry-Frye	3	15	5.0	0	7