



POSTGAME NOTES

UAB BLAZERS 14 (1-1)

AT

LIBERTY FLAMES 21 (2-0)

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Team Notes

- After falling behind 7-0 in the first quarter, Liberty scored 21 consecutive points before UAB scored a fourth-quarter touchdown. The Flames captured their home opener 21-14 over the visiting UAB Blazers.
- Today's attendance of 18,892 is the 15th-highest attendance at Williams Stadium all-time and third highest to see a Liberty home opener.
- Liberty honored its six inductees in the Class of 2022 for the Liberty Athletics Hall of Fame. This year's inductees included: former softball head coach Paul Wetmore, along with Glenn Inverso (football), Natalie (Barr) Lyttle (field hockey), Jessica Moore (softball), Jose Gomez (men's soccer), Jacob Swinton (track & field).
- With the win, Liberty improves to 34-15-1 all-time in home openers. The Flames have gone 18-2 in their last 20 home openers.
- The Flames are 2-0 to start the season for the third year in a row, marking the first time since 2006-08 that Liberty has started three consecutive seasons at 2-0.
- Liberty is now 2-0 all-time against UAB in football with its second victory over the Blazers in as many seasons.
- Liberty Head Coach Hugh Freeze is 8-0 against Conference USA as Liberty's head coach. Liberty is now 9-1 all-time against Conference USA opponents (at time of meeting).
- Liberty now has a 4-0 record when playing at home on Sept. 10.
- With five takeaways last Saturday at Southern Miss and four takeaways tonight, Liberty has posted its most takeaways in back-to-back games since posting eight takeaways vs. VMI on Nov. 7, 2009 and two at Gardner-Webb, Nov. 14, 2009.
- UAB rushed for 228 yards in the first half, totaling 248 first-half yards. However, the Flames held the Blazers to just 13 rushing yards in the second half and 107 second-half total yards. For the game, Liberty outgained UAB 390-355, including 202-114 through the air.
- Kaidon Salter, Dae Dae Hunter and Shedro Louis all rushed for touchdowns, the first time since Oct. 9, 2021 against Middle Tennessee (Malik Willis, T.J. Green, Joshua Mack) that three Flames rushed for touchdowns in the same game.
- In last year's 36-12 Liberty win at UAB, the Blazers scored three points in the first quarter and nine in the fourth quarter, with Liberty outscoring UAB 24-0 combined in the second and third quarters. Tonight, UAB scored seven in the first and seven in the fourth, while Liberty outscored the Blazers 14-0 combined in the middle two quarters.
- Liberty's 21 consecutive points scored tonight were its most unanswered points since scoring 43 points in a row against Eastern Michigan in the 2021 LendingTree Bowl.
- Liberty's 10 tackles for a loss tonight were the team's most since posting 13 TFL's against UMass on Oct. 30, 2021.

QB Kaidon Salter

- Making his first career start at quarterback, set career highs for passing yards (202) and rushing yards (79), rushing for one score.
- His two-yard rush in the third quarter gave Liberty a 14-7 lead and was his first career rushing touchdown.
- Completed passes of 46 (to Noah Frith) and 36 yards (Demario Douglas) and had a long rush of 35 yards.

RB Dae Dae Hunter

- Rushed for a season-high 64 yards and his first touchdown as a Flame, a one-yard plunge that made the score 21-7 in the fourth quarter.
- It was his sixth career rushing touchdown and first since Oct. 16, 2021 at Nevada while playing for Hawai'i.

DL Durrell Johnson

- Recorded five tackles, including one sack and three tackles for a loss. It was his highest single-game TFL total since posting 3.5 tackles for loss against FIU on Sept. 26, 2020.

Liberty Player Notes Continued

WR Demario Douglas

- Eclipsed 100 career catches for his career, totaling 101 receptions to date. Caught three passes for 51 yards and returned two punts for 34 yards with a long return of 28 yards.

RB Shedro Louis

- Recorded 113 all-purpose yards (13 carries for 45 yards and one score, three catches for 36 yards, one kickoff return for 32 yards).

WR Noah Frith

- Recorded a career-high 75 yards on three receptions, including 51 yards after the catch. Had a 46-yard catch and run from Salter.

P Aidan Alves

- Punted seven times for an average of 37.3 yards with a long of 44 yards, pinning UAB inside the 20 three times.
- Tied a career high with two touchdown catches, also scoring twice against Western Carolina on Nov. 14, 2020.

DB Robert Rahimi, DB Javon Scruggs, LB Ahmad Walker, DL Dre Butler

- Recorded one fumble recovery each.

DL Kendy Charles, LB Ahmad Walker, LB Mike Smith, Jr., CB Chris Megginson

- Forced one fumble each.

DB Javon Scruggs, DB Robert Rahimi

- Tied for team lead with six tackles each.

DL TreShaun Clark

- Recorded five tackles and 1.5 sacks.