



## POSTGAME NOTES

**NORTH TEXAS MEAN GREEN 47 (4-0)**  
AT  
**LIBERTY FLAMES 7 (1-2)**  
WILLIAMS STADIUM | SATURDAY, SEPT. 22, 2018

### Team Notes

- Opening kickoff was delayed by 42 minutes due to lightning in the area. The game kicked off at 6:48 p.m. With a 53-minute delay during the third quarter, the game was delayed a total of 1:35. Total elapsed playing time was 3:04.
- This is the third time in a row that a Liberty home game has been affected by weather. The kickoff for the season opener was delayed by 50 minutes due to lightning, and last week's game against Norfolk State was rescheduled to Dec. 1 due to Hurricane Florence.
- Despite giving up 346 yards on the ground, Liberty held the No. 3 passing attack in the nation to just 185 passing yards, 213 yards under North Texas' average of 398.7 passing yards per game entering the contest.
- Liberty is now 1-1 all-time against Conference USA members in football, with both meetings coming this season at Williams Stadium (52-10 win over Old Dominion on Sept. 1).
- North Texas is the first team to travel 1,000 or more miles to Williams Stadium and win a game. Liberty entered the game with a 4-0 all-time record at home when its opponent traveled 1,000 or more miles to play.
- Liberty is now 3-2 all-time against teams from Texas.
- Saturday's loss snapped a three-game home winning streak for the Flames.
- Liberty has rushed for over 100 yards in each of the first three games of the season.

### Player Notes

#### QB Stephen Calvert

- Threw for 222 yards, one interception and one touchdown, a four-yard strike to B.J. Farrow that narrowed the deficit to 14-7 in the second quarter.
- Calvert is now in sole possession of third place in program history with 51 career touchdown passes, passing Brock Smith (2005-08).

#### RB Frankie Hickson

- Rushed for a season-high 96 yards on 21 carries, his highest rushing yards output since he ran for 116 yards on 14 carries against Jacksonville on Sept. 10, 2016.

#### WR DJ Stubbs

- Caught six passes for 95 yards, coming up just five yards short of his second 100-yard game of the season.

#### WR B.J. Farrow

- Hauled in three passes for 45 yards, with a long reception of 37 yards and one touchdown.
- His second-quarter score pulled him into a tie for fifth place in program history with 17 career touchdown catches, tying both James McKnight (1991-93) and Scott Queen (1986-90).

#### WR Antonio Gandy-Golden

- Caught five passes for 51 yards, and became the second active player to surpass 100 career catches (now at 104).

#### WR Damian King

- Had two receptions for 31 yards, and became the third active player to reach 100 career catches (now at 100).

## Liberty Player Notes (Cont.)

### DE Juwan Wells

- Recorded nine tackles (seven solo, two assisted), combining on a sack while setting a new career high with three tackles for a loss.
- With 32.5 career tackles for a loss, needs just 2.5 tackles for a loss to enter Liberty's all-time top five.

### CB Jeremy Peters

- Set a new career high with nine tackles (five solo, four assisted) and forced a fumble for the first time in his career.

### CB Bejour Wilson

- Recorded six tackles and three pass breakups in his first career start.

## North Texas Notes

- North Texas finished the non-conference portion of its regular-season schedule undefeated for the first time since 1959, when it went 6-0 on its way to the Missouri Valley Conference championship.
- The Mean Green have started a season 4-0 for the first time since 1966, when they finished 8-2 and also won the Missouri Valley Conference title.
- The North Texas defense has not allowed a score on the opponent's opening possession through four games, and has thrown a first-quarter shutout in three of four games.
- Redshirt junior running back Loren Easley (Houston) had the first 100-yard game of his career and the Mean Green's first of the season. Easley had UNT's previous best this year with 68 yards against Arkansas.
- It marked the first 100-yard rushing game for a Mean Green player since Nic Smith did so on 11/25/17 at Rice (178 yards)
- Junior quarterback Mason Fine (Peggs, Okla.) had multiple touchdown passes for the third game this season and 12th of his career.
- Fine's assault on the North Texas record book continues. His marks this week:
  - third place in career passing yards with 6,952, overtaking Scott Davis (1987-90);
  - second in career 200-yard passing games with 21, edging past North Texas All-Century QB Steve Ramsey (1967-69) and Derek Thompson (2009-13);
  - fourth in career passing attempts with 934, slipping past Scott Davis.
- Senior defensive back Kemon Hall (Calhoun City, Miss.) had three passes broken for the second week in a row.
- North Texas has scored in 16 consecutive quarters to start the season.
- Redshirt senior linebacker E.J. Ejiya (Blaine, Minn.) upped his career total of tackles for loss to 24.5, the seventh most in school history.
- Fellow redshirt senior linebacker Brandon Garner (Mansfield, Texas) matched his career high with 3.0 tackles for loss, giving him 24.0 for his career and tying him for eighth all-time at UNT with Aaron Bellazin (2010-13).
- Garner recorded his 10<sup>th</sup> career sack, and has 3.5 on the season, which leads the team.
- Junior wide receiver Rico Bussey Jr. had the 13th touchdown reception of his career, moving him into a tie for 10<sup>th</sup> all-time at North Texas.
- With the win Saturday, the Mean Green are 4-1 in their last five road games.