

CENTRAL MICHIGAN POST GAME NOTES Ball State | Game 8 | Saturday, Oct. 21, 2023 Scheumann Stadium | Muncie, Ind. | Attendance: 15,171

THE CENTRAL MICHIGAN LOSS

- Dropped Central Michigan to 4-4 overall on the year after eight games and 2-2 in the Mid-American Conference.
- Dropped Central Michigan to 1-4 in road games this year
- Dropped Central Michigan a 27-28-1 all-time vs. Ball State and a 15-14 record in series games played in Muncie.
- Ended a four-game Central Michigan win streak in games played in Muncie dating back to November 6, 2023.

TEAM NOTES

- The seven point loss marked Central Michigan's closest loss of the year (24-17).
- Central Michigan gave up an opponent season-high 243 rushing yards on 46 carries (5.3 yards per carry).
- The Chippewas were outgained 344-260 in total yards and 243-99 in rushing yards.
- CMU converted just 3-13 on third down conversions and Ball State possessed the ball the majority of the game (31:39-28:21).
- Central Michigan's three points in the first half tied its lowest scoring output in the first half this year. The Chippewas trailed 10-3 at halftime.
- Through the first half Ball State outgained Central Michigan 206-96 in total yards, 140-41 in rushing yards and 13-7 in first downs.
- With a field goal on its opening drive, Central Michigan scored for the first time on an opening drive since the New Hampshire game.

PLAYER NOTES

- Quarterback Jase Bauer started his sixth game of the year. He completed 19 of 31 passes for 161 yards, one touchdown and no interceptions. He threw his fifth touchdown pass of the year on a 19-yard TD pass to Jesse Prewitt III. He also totaled 184 total yards, including 23 rushing with a long of 20 yards.
- Wide receiver Jesse Prewitt III registered his fourth touchdown catch of the year on a one-handed 19-yard TD reception in the third quarter. Prewitt finished the day with two receptions for 23 yards and a touchdown.
- Running back Marion Lukes led the Chippewas with 159 all-purpose yards. He rushed for 58 yards and a touchdown on 18 carries, caught five passes for 42 yards and registered 59 yards on two kickoff returns. He started off the game with a 45-yard kickoff return. The play set up a 45-yard field goal by Tristan Mattson.
- Wide receiver Tyson Davis caught a career-high six passes for 65 yards with a long of 24 on the day. He led the Chippewas in both receptions (6) and receiving yards (65).
- Running back Sam Hicks rushed a career-high three times for a career-best 19 yards.
- Defensive back Da'Raun McKinney finished with a career-high six tackles with 1.0 tackle for loss.
- Defensive back Nahree Biggins registered a career-high five tackles and 1.0 tackle for loss.
- Defensive lineman Quindario Lee tied a career-high with five tackles.
- Linebacker Nick Apsey contributed a career-high tying four tackles.
- Placekicker Tristan Mattson converted a 45-yard field goal in the first quarter. He finished the day with five points.
- Punter Jake Walrath placed two punts inside the 20 yard line. He averaged 38.8 yards per punt.
- Defensive lineman Robi Stuart made his first appearance in a game since the season opener at Michigan State. He finished with two tackles.
- Quarterback Tyler Pape saw his first action of the season in the third quarter.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Central Michigan played its fourth Mid-American Conference game and eighth contest of the year.
- Central Michigan and Ball State met for the 56th time in series history.
- Central Michigan wore its away white uniform jerseys and white pants.
- Today's weather at kickoff at Scheumann Stadium was 63 degrees, partly cloudy.
- The contest was streamed live on ESPN+.

GAME CAPTAINS AND COIN TOSS

- Representing Central Michigan at the coin toss were defensive end Quindario Lee, defensive back Trey Jones, wide receiver Jesse Prewitt III, and offensive lineman Deiyantei Powell-Woods.
- Central Michigan won the coin toss and elected to receive. CMU received the opening kickoff.