Post-Game Notes
No. 10 Notre Dame 27 - Duke 13
September 12, 2020

● Graduate student quarterback Ian Book represented the Irish as captains for the opening coin toss. Duke won the toss and elected to receive.

● Notre Dame has won 19-straight games at home dating back to Sept. 30, 2017, starting with a victory over Miami (Ohio). It is the third-longest home winning streak for the Irish since Notre Dame Stadium opened in 1930 (28-straight from 1942-50; 19-straight from 1987-90). Clemson (23) and Ohio State (21) are the only other Power 5 programs that boast home streaks of 18 or more games.

● With the win:
  ○ Notre Dame marks its first-ever conference win.
  ○ Notre Dame has won seven-consecutive games, continuing the second-longest streak among Power 5 schools.
  ○ The Irish extended home win streak to 19 games at Notre Dame Stadium.
  ○ The Irish are 9-2 in season openers under Brian Kelly.

● Notre Dame has held 26-of-27 opponents during Clark Lea’s tenure as defensive coordinator to 30 points or less.

● Notre Dame is 24-7 (.774) against ACC opponents since the scheduling agreement began during the 2014 season. In 2019, the Irish improved to 14-1 in regular-season games against Atlantic Coast Conference opponents over the last three seasons.

● Duke’s third quarter touchdown snapped the Notre Dame defenses streak of 104:31 between touchdowns allowed. The last touchdown the Irish allowed was in the waning moments of the 2019 victory over Stanford.

● The first scoring drive for the Irish went 96 yards in 12 plays to take the lead in the second quarter. It is the longest drive by the Irish since last season when they went 97 yards in the 30-27 home win over Southern Cal.

STUDENT-ATHLETE NOTES

● Sophomore running back Kyren Williams eclipsed the 100-yard plateau in the third quarter for the first time in his career. It is the second-straight game for the Irish with a 100-yard plus rusher after Tony Jones Jr. totaled 135 yards on the ground in the Camping World Bowl.

● Williams punched it in from the one-yard line for his first career touchdown in the second quarter. Later in the second quarter, Williams ripped off a career-high 75-yard reception to bring the Irish in the red zone.

● Williams scored his second touchdown of the game after a career-long 26-yard rush in the third quarter. He is the first Irish player to record two or more rushing touchdowns since Tony Jones Jr. had three against Virginia in 2019.

● Kyle Hamilton accounted for four tackles on the opening drive for Duke. Hamilton finished the afternoon with seven tackles.

● Freshman running back Chris Tyree recorded his first career kickoff return in the first quarter. He returned the kickoff 38 yards to set up the Notre Dame drive.
• Freshman tight end Michael Mayer notched his first career reception in the second quarter. He hauled in a 17-yard reception from Ian Book for a first down.
• Sophomore defensive lineman Isaiah Foskey tallied his first career sack in the second quarter to force the Blue Devils into a field goal.
• Junior wide receiver Joe Wilkins Jr. hauled in a five-yard pass from Ian Book for his first career reception in the final minute of the second quarter.
• Senior linebacker Jeremiah Owusu-Koramoah forced the first turnover of the season after breaking the ball loose from Duke’s Jalon Calhoun in the third quarter. Graduate student safety Shaun Crawford recovered the fumble for the Irish.

GAMEBALL RECIPIENT: **Kyren Williams, RB** - 19 carries, 112 rushing yards, rushing TD, 2 receptions, 93 receiving yards.