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Claire Kramer: We will go ahead and begin with head coach Brian Kelly coach Kelly would you like to start with a statement or questions.

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Notre Dame Football: Statement.

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Notre Dame Football: Let me think of a statement.

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Notre Dame Football: You know, just a what we expected.

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Notre Dame Football: You know, Boston College always plays hard against Notre Dame we we knew we were going to be challenged and

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Notre Dame Football: Again, I think what stands out to me is just

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Notre Dame Football: Invoke tonight he was he was outstanding.

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Notre Dame Football: And probably in a large degree, the difference in this game tonight.

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Notre Dame Football: You know offensively very efficient. Unfortunately, a couple of turnovers.

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Notre Dame Football: You know, takes away from probably you know stellar performance.

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Notre Dame Football: Back to back

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Notre Dame Football: Back to back weeks we're over 45 points tells you that your quarterback plays is elevated great balance in terms of running and throwing it looked a little tired on defense this by weeks coming in a good time for us to, you know, get some guys back and healthy.

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Notre Dame Football: But really pleased with the victory as we, as I said, going into the bye week

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Claire Kramer: Right and their first question will be from keep Samson.

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Pete Sampson: Brian

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Pete Sampson: Ian books elevated play

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Pete Sampson: Curious worth of the biggest factors are in that. And then how much of a factor. Do you think the receivers outside receivers really starting to make plays for you in the red zone is in that elevated play

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Notre Dame Football: Well, I think it's part of it. I think it starts within. First of all, I mean his presence in the pocket, you know, look.

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Notre Dame Football: He's a unique player and that

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Notre Dame Football: He is got great escape ability, but he's also got a great sense of when to take off. And I think there's some great illustrations here tonight, where

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Notre Dame Football: He stays in the pocket and finds a late crossing route to a Rick Davis after you know a good two and a half seconds in the pocket. But in another time where he takes off when he's getting pressure off the edge and picks up a key first down

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Notre Dame Football: Clearly the receiving Corps.

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Notre Dame Football: Is doing a great job. We're getting play now from all of the receivers are pitching in and

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Notre Dame Football: This is what we needed to elevate the play. So he is going to benefit from that. But it starts with his command.

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Notre Dame Football: Of the offense. Now, and you can see him just continue to grow. Each and every week. And that's, look, I think we've talked about this at great length. When your quarterback is playing at a high level.

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Notre Dame Football: Gives you a great chance to be a championship caliber football team.

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Claire Kramer: Well the next Eric Canton

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Eric Hansen: Brian another were some hiccups with unsportsmanlike conduct penalties turnovers, and so forth.

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Eric Hansen: Beyond. And was there an area of your team you felt got better today. And then the second part of it was they said on TV that cairon Williams didn't play in the second half, kind of as a coach's decision.

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Eric Hansen: Yeah, take us through that, please.

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Notre Dame Football: Yeah, he was banged up on the fumble that he that occurred on the, the angle route that

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Notre Dame Football: He had in the third quarter we caught the ball coming out of the backfield he landed on the shoulder. And so we were being cautious not to put it back in the game. But you know when CBOE went down, we were left with really one healthy back so

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Notre Dame Football: You know if Chris had to go out of the game, we would have had to go back to him. So it was it was precautionary and in nature. So that was that was in fact a coach's decision he wasn't held out from medical

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Notre Dame Football: Yeah, it was, it was not a typical Notre Dame clean disciplined kind of game.

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Notre Dame Football: And we didn't get into much of it today. I'll wait for Monday to I want them to enjoy the win. I challenged them to look at themselves individually about their own play

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Notre Dame Football: And then we'll, we'll talk about it on Monday, about what what our standards and our expectations are.

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Claire Kramer: For the next to john federal

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johnfineran: I just want to get back on the injury situation with the CBOE what what what do you know. And my second question is getting back to E and

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johnfineran: What does in what is one quality that a lot of people don't know about Ian that you know that you might be able to communicate in the kind of season that he's having

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Notre Dame Football: Relative to see about it doesn't appear to be a serious injury.

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Notre Dame Football: He was shaken up pretty

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Notre Dame Football: Pretty much in terms of ankle knee.

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Notre Dame Football: Leg

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Notre Dame Football: But

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Notre Dame Football: Our initial evaluation of him was nothing that would cause great concern.

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Notre Dame Football: So that's the good news. As it relates to in

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Notre Dame Football: Gabby's just first of all

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Notre Dame Football: He's a two time captain. And so I think that says, enough about the character and what people think of him. I mean, he got so many votes this year by his peers that it was a landslide in terms of the support that he has throughout the team. And to do that, he can't fake it.

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Notre Dame Football: They trust him implicitly with all things in this football program. So I don't know if that's a secret as much as who he

is as a person and how he handles himself he's

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Notre Dame Football: He's just a good man. A good person and a great leader for our football team.

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Claire Kramer: We're right next to Pete thamel

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Pete Thamel: Hey Brian Pete thamel here can hear me.

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Pete Thamel: Yes. Okay, thanks.

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Pete Thamel: Obviously, Brian there there are 15 games either cancelled or postpone this weekend, and as you face the next six weeks or so down the DOWN THE STRETCH OF THE SEASON. Can you just put into perspective.

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Pete Thamel: How much time and energy. You have to put towards the surviving and advancing part of this just in terms of keeping your team healthy and playing the games and doing that.

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Notre Dame Football: Yeah, I think it's a great question. I mean, we've already played a big 10 schedule. You know, we've completed eight games and that's clearly more than the PAC 12 will play and

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Notre Dame Football: It takes a lot, our team was tired tonight. And you could see that they were especially on defense because it requires a lot of mental energy

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Notre Dame Football: Certainly the physical of playing a lot of games and and that takes its toll. Because you're we're testing we tested.

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Notre Dame Football: Four times this week and you know obviously the training room and we played a double overtime game and you know those kids.

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Notre Dame Football: They probably didn't get bed till four o'clock in the morning. So all those things matter when we talk about cumulative games across the board. So when you're when you're picking your teams, I

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Notre Dame Football: Look, you know if this is just a one game and you want to put up one team in one game. Yeah, it's pretty easy to see who who's really good for one week but to stretch it out over, you know, for us, we're going to play 11 games 12 games and and that's that's a whole different

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Notre Dame Football: Tests that we're going to be facing then some other schools that are not going to play as many games as we are.

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Claire Kramer: Next to Patrick angle.

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Patrick Engel, Blue & Gold Illustrated: Hey Brian, what does

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Patrick Engel, Blue & Gold Illustrated: Bennett schematics physicality and sending willingness to embrace that and seek it out. Do few guys in particularly in a red zone where

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Notre Dame Football: Yeah yeah yeah he plays with an edge.

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Notre Dame Football: You know those Fort Wayne guys you know they play with it. So we've been very fortunate with guys from Fort Wayne

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Notre Dame Football: And and he just he has a certainly a skill set. He's got great size and length and we like the MATCHUPS THAT WE GET WITH HIM, certainly in the red zone as you could tell

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Notre Dame Football: But, but he also plays with a swagger, and he wants the ball and he reminded us when we you know we settled for field goal that he had a great matchup, and that's why we immediately came back to him. Let the next time we got we got in the red zone.

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Claire Kramer: For the next to Pete burn.

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Pete Byrne: Brian congrats on getting with number 100 I wanted to ask you what that milestone means to you, not only the number, but the fact that arguably your program isn't the strongest place. It's been in the last 11 years

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Notre Dame Football: Yeah, have you know 100 year 100 wins.

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Notre Dame Football: I was gonna say it felt like 100 years but 100 wins is not something that I spend time thinking about, I will

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Notre Dame Football: When I'm, you know, you know, not not coaching anymore.

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Notre Dame Football: It's it means I've had a lot of really good players, a lot of really good coaches and have been really fortunate to

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Notre Dame Football: Be here at Notre Dame that long. It's, it's, it's difficult to to win that many games at Notre Dame and so I'm really

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Notre Dame Football: really fortunate to have the longevity here and



you got to win that many games you know that's that's kind of where you got to be if you want to still be here at Notre Dame coaching so

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Notre Dame Football: I guess that's the perspective that I have that that 100 right now.

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Claire Kramer: We're going next to 10 O'Malley.

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timothyomalley: Coach, just two quick questions. Robert hazy out. It seemed there in the fourth quarter. What's his status and I know today was ceramics day but

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timothyomalley: Every day was three touches for 99 yards, he's making a difference there. Here at the end of his senior year.

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Notre Dame Football: Yeah, no doubt remember now. Nobody's definitely done, everybody gets a year back you know

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Notre Dame Football: So hazy had an ankle. It's been flaring up these were precautionary as I said that there's nothing from this game, other than

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Notre Dame Football: JD Bertran had a head injury from the kickoff. That was was pretty substantial.

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Notre Dame Football: Other than that, everything was precautionary today from the game from the report that I got from from Rob punt right after the game.

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Notre Dame Football: But every day this and what I like is that he's he's playing fast. You saw his burst when he caught the football you saw them on the reverses

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Notre Dame Football: He really adds a great element to our offense. Now you have the two big got big guys on the outside the tight end play the backs catching the ball. We're very difficult to defend right

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Claire Kramer: Next to Tyler games.

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Tyler James, South Bend Tribune: Hey Brian we you guys do anything differently during the bye week

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Tyler James, South Bend Tribune: Given the coven circumstances and

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Tyler James, South Bend Tribune: Can you give us an update on how long Jason animal or maybe out

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Notre Dame Football: We're going to test will test Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. So we'll, we'll have a full week of testing our guys will be here because we're in exams.

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Notre Dame Football: We will practice will have a normal schedule Monday will be our normal weight training will watch the film evaluate the film will practice Tuesday and Wednesday Thursday we'll go back in the weight room, and then we'll give them, Friday, Saturday, Sunday off.

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Notre Dame Football: Jason had a meniscus tear

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Notre Dame Football: had surgery earlier this week.

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Notre Dame Football: We expect him to respond pretty well we don't

anticipate him back for North Carolina.

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Notre Dame Football: Probably the following week, but it went well clean scope.

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Notre Dame Football: Dr. Bailey did it and we expect him to do back in the next couple of weeks.

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Claire Kramer: And we have one question from John Bryce in the chat. Can you take us through the onside kick that BC appeared to recover, but that Andy was interfered with. Is that something you personally saw the sidelines and has to be reviewed.

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Notre Dame Football: Know we thought we thought that was contact made early and that's usually been in most onside kicks the, the number one thing that that's being reviewed.

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Notre Dame Football: You know, we didn't feel that very well. We've had actually Brian Polian it just part of the onside kick

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Notre Dame Football: He had alerted our guys to move up. So we were we were prepared for it. We just didn't feel the ball and execute. At that time, but they did make contact. I believe with Drew right early in that situation, the other one I thought

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Notre Dame Football: Both our did what he's been instructed to do in those situations that the ball pops up is to call for a fair catch and he he executed that wisely and we got the ball back there in that situation as well.

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Claire Kramer: And we'll wrap it up with Josh Bells.

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Joshua Vowles: Yeah, Coach.

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Joshua Vowles: You guys had a little, little more problems this year just fumbles and all that. Just a few more than what's normal from

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Joshua Vowles: From the running backs. Is that something that's that's overly concerning to you, and if so, is it. Is there a certain things that you're going to do over the next couple weeks to try to help them that

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Notre Dame Football: No, I mean, look, I mean we Lance is pretty pretty good at it. I don't know what our numbers are but

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Notre Dame Football: You know, we don't want to fumble anytime. But we'll continue to do what we've always done we've been really good taking care of the football, we take great pride in it. We got some young backs.

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Notre Dame Football: And and we'll, we'll continue to work with them. We had a missed exchange.

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Notre Dame Football: You know Chris is a young player. He thought he thought it was a pole situation.

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Notre Dame Football: And the other one was a great effort, played by BC. So you look at each one and you evaluate where you are, if you're

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Notre Dame Football: If you're not handling the ball properly or not putting in a way, then, then there's more concern there, but these guys are very, very conscientious and you know that's, that to me is more important than anything else.

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Claire Kramer: Alright, and we were wrapping up there. Thank you very much, Coach. Thank you.