



2010 DR PEPPER BIG 12 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP NOTES

*Dec. 4 * Cowboys Stadium * Arlington, Texas*

Boomer Sooner: The Oklahoma Sooners improved to 7-1 in the Big 12 championship game with their 23-20 victory over Nebraska. Coach Bob Stoops has been at the school for all eight games. Nebraska dropped to 2-4 all-time at this event.

South vs. North: The South division now has an 11-4 record over its North counterparts. The South also has now won seven straight. Kansas State (2003) was the last North team to win the conference title.

Crimson-and-creamed: OU finished the night with seven sacks, which was the second highest total in title game history. Defensive lineman Pryce Macon had a team-high three sacks and Frank Alexander had two more. Nebraska's Ndamukong Suh was a one-man wrecking crew with a record 4.5 sacks in 2009.

Jones' passing fancy: OU quarterback Landry Jones finished the game with 342 passing yards, which was the third-highest total ever. He completed 23 of 41 passes and had one touchdown. Cameron Kenney was his favorite target with six catches for 65 yards. Kenny Stills caught a 49-yard touchdown pass and came 1 yard shy of scoring another.

Nebraska's David everywhere: The Huskers had a defensive stalwart themselves in linebacker Lavonte David. He had a team-high 17 tackles for the Huskers, which tied the Big 12 record set by Texas A&M's Dat Nguyen in 1998. OU's leading tackler was safety Jonathan Nelson with 11.

Henery breaks own FG record: Nebraska K Alex Henery booted a 53-yard field goal with 6:11 remaining in the first quarter. It was the longest field goal in Big 12 Championship game history. Who's record did Henery break? His own. Henery nailed a 52-yard field goal against Texas in the 2009 Big 12 title game.

Helu in record books: Nebraska's Roy Helu's 66-yard touchdown run in the first quarter tied for the sixth-longest play in Big 12 Championship game history and longest scoring run ever.

BIG 12 LONGEST PLAYS

1. 80 yards: Jeremy Bloom (punt return), Colorado 2002

T6. 66 yards: Roy Helu Jr. (rush attempt), Nebraska, 2010

T6. 66 yards: Malcolm Kelly (reception), Oklahoma, 2006

T6. 66 yards: Darnell McDonald (reception), Kansas State, 1998

T6. 66 yards: Wane McGarity (reception), Texas, 1996

Rex does it again: Nebraska running back Rex Burkhead came into the game with two touchdown passes this season. He's now 3-for-3 after throwing a 5-yard scoring pass to Kyler Reed with 12:14 remaining in the second quarter.

Some slippery fingers: Nebraska found its way into the record book by fumbling the ball too many times. The Huskers fumbled five times and lost three. The five fumbles tied the record for the most ever, equaling the same number of fumbles by Kansas State (1998) and Nebraska (1997). The three lost fumbles tied for the second most in title game history.

OU's Lewis has open arms: Who benefitted from all those Nebraska fumbles? OU's Travis Lewis had two fumble recoveries, which is the most by any individual at this event. The weakside linebacker also had a critical interception in the Nebraska end zone for a touchback.

Notable: Oklahoma won despite going just 1-for-16 on third-down conversions. Nebraska didn't do much better, going 4-for-17. ... Nebraska tied the record for fewest penalties (three) and set a record for the lowest penalty yardage (15 yards) in a title game.

Crossing the one million mark: From the first event at what was called the TWA Dome in 1996 to the final Big 12 Championship game at Cowboys Stadium, more than 1 million fans experienced the league's signature event. Saturday's game had the fourth-largest crowd of 78,810.

Average attendance (15 title games): 69,584

Total attendance (1996-2010): 1,043,757