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Claire Kramer: Well go ahead and get started with head coach Brian Kelly coach. We do it to make a statement or would you like to start with questions.

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Brian Kelly: Um, yeah. Quick opening statement.

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Brian Kelly: You know, obviously I'm disappointed for our players, you know, you don't come this far and and

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Brian Kelly: Not want to play your very best and

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Brian Kelly: You know hats off to Clemson

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Brian Kelly: As the ACC champs, they learned it today. They were the better team.

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Brian Kelly: They were much more consistent than we were today.

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Brian Kelly: And that's really the story.

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Brian Kelly: Consistency and performance.

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Brian Kelly: We did not have that consistency and performance that we've had all year.

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Brian Kelly: And some of it is, who would write to that point, an

outstanding football team.

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Brian Kelly: And because of it.

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Brian Kelly: We weren't as consistent as a as a football team as we had a fan, so

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Brian Kelly: Very disappointing for our guys love the way they battled in the second half.

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Brian Kelly: But again,

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Brian Kelly: You know, we let the second quarter, get away from us. And that was the difference in the game so got a really good football team.

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Brian Kelly: There's no doubt this is this football team is one of the four best teams in the country and

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Brian Kelly: We'll, we'll leave the rest up to the committee.

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Brian Kelly: So with that we'll, we'll open it up to questions.

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Hello, we can hear anybody

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Eric Hansen: Brian. This is Eric Hansen from the South Bend Tribune.

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Eric Hansen: A couple of questions for

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Eric Hansen: You on is how are they able to flip the script on the rut running differential rushing yardage. The second is, how do you pick up the pieces at this point because you still have football left to play.

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Brian Kelly: Yeah, this, you know, again, I think, you know, we got to watch a little bit more of the film to to really give you a, you know, an exact answer to the question.

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Brian Kelly: You know, we came out, move the ball pretty effectively on the first drive mixed it up. Well, I think, I think by and large we stalled out a number of our drives

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Brian Kelly: In the red zone and that's that's a big part of this game, and in particular in the first quarter, where we had some opportunities, but we couldn't finish off drives missed a field goal and then

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Brian Kelly: You know, again, got into a situation where are

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Brian Kelly: We were first down situations we were we were not very good running the ball on first down. We had some negative yardage plays

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Brian Kelly: So again, it's, it's the nature of, you know, playing an opponent in a second time, they're going to do some things we're making some adjustments on the sideline. And, you know, again, trying to get back to get a balance with running and throwing the football.

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Brian Kelly: picking up the pieces. I think that's a bit you know over over the top.

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Brian Kelly: This is a strong football team strong willed an outstanding football team. It's one of the best teams in the country.

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Brian Kelly: They'll bounce back they're disappointed. They've got to play more consistent and I'm quite confident that they will

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Pete Sampson: Well, nice to meet Samson Brian is curious to get an update on one Kyle Hamilton and also if you could speak a little bit about what Clemson did you guys

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Pete Sampson: End up in the past game with a Mari Rogers, trying to get some good favorable matchups just how critical that was in the second quarter swinging in the game.

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Brian Kelly: Yeah, I mean,

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Brian Kelly: Obviously, they, they, there were some favorable matchups very, very talented.

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Brian Kelly: And you know, I thought, you know, a couple of instances where they were able to and Trevor alonso's able to use his eyes and get Kyle out of the middle of the field.

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Brian Kelly: To open up some some double moves and you know some favorable matchups, you know, they're very, very talented. He had time to throw

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Brian Kelly: And again they made the place

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Brian Kelly: You know, certainly, you know, from our perspective, losing, you know, Hamilton in the second half, and certainly Nick

wasn't available for us as well.

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Brian Kelly: You know, you get a little thin back there. But the second quarter was the key and and not fitting in a couple of the Q runs was was certainly key as well.

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Brian Kelly: But I think by and large within the passing game second half. I thought we settled into a better routine. It was really the second quarter, where he was able to get some one on one matchups and then we made some adjustments.

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Claire Kramer: For an extra 10 Priester

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Tim Prister: Brain six weeks ago when when book would escape the pocket. He was able to run vertically today.

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Tim Prister: It was more horizontally. What, what did they do.

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Tim Prister: To keep him so bottled up and moving you know laterally, as opposed to outfield

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Brian Kelly: Yeah, their ends rep field. They were not rushing you know quite as hard off the edge as you saw they were much more in a contained mode to keep him from getting outside

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Brian Kelly: Of minimizing his ability to get a big chunk Ron's. So, you know, trying to keep him.

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Brian Kelly: At Bay was obviously part of the game plan and they did it by the way they they brush their front for and then brought a little bit more pressure from inside out and flush him out to ends that we're not

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Brian Kelly: upfield, they were staying flat into the level of the quarterback.

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Claire Kramer: Or next to Dennis done

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Dennis Dodd: Why don't you talk about a couple of times, but just make your case about, you know, being in the playoff at this point.

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Brian Kelly: Yeah, I mean, you know, we've got two top 15 wins. We've got a win over this cleansing team that you know it was number one in the country. I don't know that anybody has a resume that has those two wins.

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Brian Kelly: And, you know, we've played 11 games. I mean, that matters, you know, playing playing 11 games.

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Brian Kelly: You know testing your team weekend and week out

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Brian Kelly: You know, I think that, in my mind, you know, you know, puts us as without question is one of the top four teams in the country.

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Claire Kramer: Well the next to David Hey

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David Hood: Hey, coach it. We always talk about the difference that Trevor Lawrence makes throwing the football, but his ability to run tonight on the design runs the RPS. How much of that also made a difference in some of their offensive success.

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Brian Kelly: Well, we talked about it after with the coaches, it's, it's the difference maker his ability to run

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Brian Kelly: Really stresses your coverage calls it stresses, a lot of things that you do in terms of your fits and where

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Brian Kelly: You know, essentially you're trying to

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Brian Kelly: You know, get him to to certainly not be that kind of player. And so what you're trying to do is bring some pressures that eliminate those runs, but it just opens up some one on one MATCHUPS THAT ARE NOT not favorable

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Brian Kelly: And so it's a dilemma and it

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Brian Kelly: It's something that we struggle with a little bit tonight.

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Claire Kramer: We'll go next to Hayden items.

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Hayden Adams: Hey, Coach.

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Hayden Adams: Just wondering, you know, when it became apparent that your receivers were struggling to get open, did it ever you know go through your mind to maybe make some personnel changes, you know, maybe

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Hayden Adams: Throw Joe Wilkens in there or something just to try and spice it up a little bit and then other thing is just why did it take so long to give Chris Tyrese first touch of the game and you know it seemed to work out pretty well when he did touch the ball.

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Brian Kelly: Yeah, we didn't feel like our receivers were having

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Brian Kelly: A hard time getting open this this was much more about down in distance and coverage. Right. We were in so many third and long situations when you drop more into coverage than then you have out there.

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Brian Kelly: You could have five Jerry Rice's out there, they're not getting open as as readily so

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Brian Kelly: You know Chris diaries are our back that we bring in when we feel like

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Brian Kelly: Kira Kira needs a breather and he got in there and bounced the play out there, but he's in the rotation.

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Brian Kelly: And just like you did the last game we played a broke off and 9496 yard run but you know he's not the complete back that Cairo niche yet, but he will be he's good back

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Claire Kramer: Well the next to Andrey Addison.

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Andrea Adelson: Ryan is the committee is going to start taking a look at your resume and Texas a&m resume and other teams are going to be evaluating for the playoff. Do you feel like you guys are closer to what we saw against Clemson in November, or what we saw tonight.

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Brian Kelly: Well, I think you look it up body of work in terms of what we've done all year.

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Brian Kelly: You know, we played 11 games we beaten to top 15 teams.

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Brian Kelly: You know, we

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Brian Kelly: We obviously lost to the number three ranked team in the country tonight.

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Brian Kelly: Wasn't our best effort but consistently when you play 11 games and you have

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Brian Kelly: You know, a win over the number one team in the country. And then you win against an outstanding North Carolina team.

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Brian Kelly: I don't know that you need to look any further than that.

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Claire Kramer: I will wrap it up with Patrick No.

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Patrick Engel, Blue & Gold Illustrated: Problem. What was your

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Patrick Engel, Blue & Gold Illustrated: Message to the offense or kind of what was going through your mind in the first couple of drives when you guys are moving the ball, but had some drives kind of spider out there at the end.

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Brian Kelly: Well consistency and performance is going to be

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Brian Kelly: What, what's going to judge how this game finishes and quite frankly told, we've got to finish. We can't keep leaving points out here.

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Brian Kelly: And there's only so much you can do at that point you know you gotta, you know, continue to stay positive with the guys and continue to, you know, look at ways to

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Brian Kelly: You know, get the ball in the end zone. And so it really doesn't do you much good to be over there, yelling and screaming, they know what they need to do.

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Brian Kelly: They needed to finish off some drives. We didn't do it, but you know we're all in this together. You know, we've got, we got a coach better and

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Brian Kelly: You know, our players got to make plays and you know it's when you have a great football team, which we do it. It's about consistency and performance. And we were inconsistent today for the first time, all year will work hard in our preparation and we'll get back to being more consistent

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Claire Kramer: Right, and we will end up there. Thank you very much, Coach. Thank you.