



NOTRE DAME

FOOTBALL

GAME ONE POSTGAME NOTES

THE RECORD WHEN...

Stat	Kelly at ND		2021	
	Record (W-L)		Record (W-L)	
Home (Includes Shamrock Series)	60	13	0	0
Away	32	20	1	0
Neutral	9	7	0	0
In overtime	4	3	1	0
Coming off a loss	16	11	0	0
Coming off a win	63	23	0	0
Coming off an open date	9	2	0	0
vs. AP Top 25	22	21	0	0
Both teams are in the AP Top 25	18	18	0	0
Neither team is in the AP Top 25	22	14	0	0
Team is ranked higher	71	10	1	0
Opponent is ranked higher	8	14	0	0
vs. In-State Opponents	6	0	0	0
In August	2	0	0	0
In September	32	12	1	0
In October	32	8	0	0
In November	31	13	0	0
In December	5	3	0	0
In January	1	4	0	0
On TV (except GVSU regular season)	102	39	1	0
On NBC	59	13	0	0
On NBCSN	3	0	0	0
On ABC	23	14	1	0
On ACCN	1	0	0	0
On ESPN	7	6	0	0
On ESPN2	1	0	0	0
On CBS	4	3	0	0
On CBS Sports Network	0	1	0	0
On FOX	2	3	0	0
Morning Games (kicks off before noon)	0	1	0	0
Afternoon Games	64	18	0	0
Night Games (6 p.m. or later)	38	20	1	0
Decided by three points or fewer	13	13	1	0
Decided by seven points or fewer	30	21	0	0
Scoring first	76	21	1	0
Opponent scores first	26	18	0	0
Leading at halftime	83	11	1	0
Tied at halftime	8	1	0	0
Trailing at halftime	10	27	0	0
Leading after three quarters	84	9	1	0

FIGHTING IRISH

1-0 OVERALL

AP rank: 9 Coaches rank: 7

Head Coach: Brian Kelly
Record: 274-96-2



0-1 OVERALL

AP rank: N/A Coaches rank: RV

Head Coach: Mike Norvell
Record: 41-22

ACC

SEMINOLES

DATE: Sep. 5, 2021 LOCATION: Tallahassee, FL STADIUM: Doak Campbell Stadium
ATTENDANCE: 68,316

NOTRE DAME CAPTAINS: WR Avery Davis, S Kyle Hamilton, DL Kurt Hinish, OL Jarrett Patterson, DL Myron Tagovailoa-Amosa, LB Drew White and RB Kyren Williams

FIRST TIME STARTERS AT ND:

Offense: OL Blake Fisher, QB Jack Coan, OL Cain Madden, WR Kevin Austin Jr.
Defense: LB JD Bertrand, CB Cam Hart, DL Isaiah Foskey

FIRST APPEARANCES AT ND:

Offense: WR Lorenzo Styles, TE Mitchell Evans, OL Joe Alt
Defense: LB Davis Sherwood, LB Adam Shibley, CB Philip Riley

Miscellaneous:

- **Coin Toss: Avery Davis, Kurt Hinish, Myron Tagovailoa-Amosa and Drew White** represented the Irish for the coin toss. Notre Dame won the toss and elected to receive. The Seminoles defended the south-east endzone.
- **Brian Kelly** awarded the game ball to graduate student **Jonathan Doerer**. He hit the 41-yard field goal to win the game in overtime.

TEAM NOTES:

- The Irish claimed their 20th-consecutive regular season win over an ACC opponent dating back to the 2017 season.
- The Irish won their 33rd-consecutive game against an unranked opponent, a streak that dates back to the 2016 season.
- Notre Dame improves to 26-5-2 all-time in true road games to open the season.
- The Irish improved to 10-2 in season openers under **Brian Kelly**.
- The Irish are 4-3 all-time under **Kelly** in overtime games.
- Notre Dame had three interceptions against the Seminoles. It is the most interceptions in a game since last season against Pittsburgh.

OFFENSIVE NOTES:

- Quarterback **Jack Coan** is the eighth straight Notre Dame starting quarterback to win his debut dating back to the 2007 season.
- **Coan** set a Notre Dame record for most passing yards in a season opening game with 366.
- **Coan** also tied a Notre Dame season opening record with four passing touchdowns on the night. He tied the record with Jimmy Clausen (2009) and Ron Powulus (1994).
- Tight end **Michael Mayer** hauled in a career-long 41-yard reception for a touchdown on the opening drive of the game for the Irish.
- **Mayer** also set a career best mark for receiving yards and receptions. He finished the evening with nine receptions for 120 yards.
- He is the first Irish tight end to surpass the 100-yard plateau since Cole Kmet against Georgia in 2019.
- Wide receiver **Joe Wilkins Jr.** brought in a career-long 23-yard touchdown reception late in the second quarter.
- Wide receiver **Kevin Austin Jr.** brought in his first career touchdown reception in the third quarter. He finished the game with career highs in receptions (4) and receiving yards (91).

DEFENSIVE NOTES:

- Safety **Kyle Hamilton** finished the night with two interceptions. It is the first game of his career with multiple interceptions.
- **Hamilton** is the first Irish defender with two interceptions in a game since Alohi Gilman against Syracuse in 2018.
- Defensive lineman **Isaiah Foskey** set career-best marks in tackles, tackles-for-loss and sacks all by halftime. He finished the game with eight tackles, 2.0 tackles-for-loss and 2.0 sacks.
- In his first career start, linebacker **JD Bertrand** led the team with a career-high 11 tackles.
- Safety **Houston Griffith** set a career high with eight tackles.
- Defensive lineman **Rylie Mills** set a career high with 1.0 sacks.
- Cornerback **Clarence Lewis** recorded his first career interception in the third quarter.