

## Tale of the Tape: Offense

The Scorpions offense gained 331 total yards in their season opening victory over the Portland Reavers. Of those 331 yards 234 of them were gained through the air, and only 97 on the ground. After a slow start in the first quarter the Scorpions offense found paydirt in each of the final three quarters, including two touchdowns, both through the air, in the fourth quarter.

While the Gearheads offense had similar numbers on the ground in week one, 98 yards on 28 attempts, their passing game was much more successful. Georgia gained 399 yards through the air and had two receivers with over 100 yards receiving. The Gearheads offense did not have a turnover in the contest against West Texas.

## Tale of the Tape: Defense

Las Vegas' defense was stout giving up only 320 total yards to the Portland offense. The Reavers were held to a mere 93 yards rushing on 26 attempts for the game, an average of 3.6 yards per carry. The Scorpions gave up 227 yards passing and 2 scores through the air, but the key was two forced fumbles that the Scorpions recovered the second of which game with 10:42 left in the game and ultimately lead to the nail in the coffin, giving the Scorpions a lead that the Reavers could not overcome.

Another similarity exists when the Georgia and Las Vegas defenses are compared in their week one contests. Georgia gave up 322 yards passing in week one against the West Texas Wranglers. But what might be most impressive is that the Gearheads 3-4 defense yielded a mere 80 yards to the West Texas rushing attack. The Gearheads defense however was burned for 3 touchdowns through the air and had no answer for Duane Clay who made 6 grabs for 129 yards and a touchdown.

## Players to Watch:

### **LAS VEGAS--**

**QB, Wilbert Granados--** The fifth year signal caller out of Alabama completed 66 percent of his passes, 23 of 35 for 234 yards. He connected on 3 touchdown passes and threw one interception, ending the day with a 101.4 QBR.

**WR, Abe Reno--** Reno was signed to a 3 year \$13.8 Million contract in the off season and his performance in week one helps prove why. Reno caught 5 balls for 62 yards (an average of 12.5 yards per catch) and one Touchdown.

**SS, Edward Tanner --** The converted linebacker was one of the bright spots defensively as he amassed 7 tackles on the day, as well as forcing and recovering a fumble. The 2nd year man out of Georgia, will likely be looking to capitalize on that performance in his home state with many friends and family in attendance for tonight's

game.

## **GEORGIA--**

**QB, John Wiese** -- Veteran Wiese completed 24 of 28 pass attempts (86%) for 399 yards and four touchdowns in the week one victory over West Texas. Wiese had a QBR of 158.3 and will look to lead the Gearheads offense to another victory against Las Vegas.

**WR, Charles Musgrove** -- Musgrove was a beast week one catching 7 balls for 142 yards and 2 touchdowns in the Gearheads week 1 victory. Musgrove also returned 3 kickoffs for a total of 60 yards.

**LB, Brian Perkins** -- Eight year veteran Brian Perkins led the Georgia defense with 8 tackles in week one including one sack and one tackle for a loss.

## **Final Analysis:**

This should be a great game. Both teams feature excellent quarterbacks, which could mean we'll see a lot of points put up on the board. The key to this game will likely be determined by the team who can run the ball successfully after abysmal performances on the ground by both teams in week one. Whichever team can force their opponent to turn the ball over will likely come out victorious.

## **Prediction:**

Georgia Quarterback John Wiese lit up the Wranglers last week, and unless Las Vegas can get some pressure forcing him to make some errant throws, I think the advantage goes to the home team in this one. Georgia wins 35 - 21 to head to 2 - 0 on the young season.