



ARIZONA CARDINALS NOTE CARDS

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Rushing yards needed for RB **James Conner** to reach 5,000 in his career. Conner ran for 100+ yards in each of the final two games of the 2023 season, including a career-high 150 rushing yards in the season finale vs. Seattle. With 100+ rushing yards on Sunday in Buffalo, his three consecutive games with 100+ rushing yards would match the longest streak in franchise history.

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Regular season meetings between the Cardinals and Bills prior to Sunday's matchup. The Cardinals have only faced five teams (Texans - 6, Jaguars - 6, Ravens - 8, Jets - 10, Raiders - 11) fewer times in the franchise's 126-year history.

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Cardinals players (QB **Kyler Murray**, S **Budda Baker**, S **Jalen Thompson**, LB **Dennis Gardeck**, OL **Kelvin Beachum**, LS **Aaron Brewer**) who were on the team when Arizona last faced Buffalo in 2020. Murray, in his second NFL season, led the Cards to a last-second victory, 32-30, over the Bills.

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INT for LB **Kyzir White** the last time he faced the Bills. As a rookie in 2018, White intercepted Bills QB Josh Allen for a nine-yard return in his second NFL start.



ARIZONA
CARDINALS

WEEK 1

VS



BUFFALO
BILLS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

WITH A WIN...

- The Cardinals would earn their second straight victory over the Bills (32-30 Cardinals win in 2020).
- Arizona would improve to 3-1 in its last three season openers on the road.
- The Cards would win their first season opener on the East Coast since 1999.
- QB **Kyler Murray** would improve to 3-0 on the road in Week 1.

MILESTONES WITHIN REACH...

QB KYLER MURRAY

- With 52 rushing yards, Murray would have 2,500 rushing yards in his career. Only five QBs (Lamar Jackson - 42 games, Michael Vick - 48, Cam Newton - 61, Jalen Hurts - 62, Josh Allen - 65) in NFL history will have accomplished the feat in fewer games than Murray (66). He would also be the sixth-youngest (27 years, 32 days) to reach the milestone trailing only the aforementioned QBs.
- With a rushing TD, Murray would have 27 rushing TDs as a member of the Cardinals. That would tie Johnny Roland (1966-72) and Elmer Angsman (1946-52) for seventh place on the franchise all-time list for career rushing TDs.

CARDINALS RUN GAME

- With 200 rushing yards, the Cardinals would have 200+ rushing yards in three consecutive games and in four of their last five contests dating back to Week 15 of 2023. It would mark the first time in nearly 50 years that the team ran for 200+ yards in three straight games (Week 14 in 1975, Weeks 1-2 in 1976).

RB JAMES CONNER

- With a rushing TD, Conner would have 30 rushing TDs in 42 games played with the Cardinals. He would become just the sixth player in franchise history with at least 30 career rushing TDs and would match David Johnson (2015-18) as the quickest ever to reach the milestone.
- With 100+ rushing yards, Conner would have three consecutive games with 100+ rushing yards, matching Ottis Anderson (twice - 1979, 1980), David Johnson (2016), Stump Mitchell (1987) and John Grigas (1944) for the longest streak of games with 100+ rushing yards in franchise history.
- With a TD of any kind, Conner would have 36 TDs since joining the Cardinals in 2021, marking the second most in franchise history in a player's first 42 games with the team (David Johnson - 41).

TE TREY MCBRIDE

- With five receptions, McBride (115) would move into fifth place on the Cardinals all-time list for receptions by a TE behind only Jackie Smith (480), Doug Marsh (167), Freddie Jones (144) and Zach Ertz (130).
- With five receptions, McBride would have 5+ receptions in his fifth-straight road game, marking the second-longest streak among NFL TEs (Evan Engram - 6 games).
- With a reception, McBride would have at least one catch in 25 consecutive games, marking the second-longest active streak among NFL TEs (Evan Engram - 49 games). McBride and Elijah Higgins (seven) are the only TE duo in the NFL to each have an active streak of 7+ games with at least one catch.

S BUDDA BAKER

- With 10+ tackles, Baker would have 10+ tackles in the season opener for the fourth time in the last seven seasons. In Week 1 of 2020, Baker matched a single-game career-high with 15 tackles.

WR MARVIN HARRISON JR.

- With 100+ receiving yards, Harrison would join WR Anquan Boldin (2003) as the only players in team history to post 100+ receiving yards in his first career game. Boldin had 10 receptions for 217 yards and two TDs in his NFL debut.
- With a TD reception, Harrison would become the first Cardinals rookie since RB David Johnson (2015) to post a receiving TD in his NFL debut.

RE-WRITING THE RECORD BOOKS

QB Kyler Murray enters Sunday's season opener at Buffalo needing 197 passing yards to pass Pro Football Hall of Fame QB Kurt Warner (15,843) for the fifth-most passing yards in franchise history.



| Franchise Record - Passing Yards (Career) | Yards | Gms |
|---|---------------|-----------|
| 1 Jim Hart (1966-83) | 34,639 | 199 |
| 2 Neil Lomax (1981-88) | 22,771 | 108 |
| 3 Jake Plummer (1997-02) | 17,622 | 84 |
| 4 Carson Palmer (2013-17) | 16,782 | 60 |
| 5 Kurt Warner (2005-09) | 15,843 | 61 |
| 6 Kyler Murray (2019-) | 15,647 | 65 |

With eight completions in Buffalo, Murray would reach 1,500 career completions. **Murray has a chance to become the second fastest to 1,500 completions in NFL history in terms of fewest career pass attempts.**

Fewest Pass Attempts to Reach 1,500 Completions, NFL History

| Rnk | Player (Team) | Pass Attempts | Age |
|-----|--------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Justin Herbert (LAC) | 2,240 | 25 years, 241 days |
| 2 | Kyler Murray (AZ) | 2,239* | 27 years, 32 days |
| 3 | Patrick Mahomes (KC) | 2,270 | 26 years, 107 days |
| 4 | Dak Prescott (Dal) | 2,271 | 27 years, 67 days |
| 5 | Kirk Cousins (Was/Min) | 2,281 | 30 years, 91 days |

*Needs eight completions to reach 1,500; current career pass attempts

Murray would become just the fourth player in franchise history to reach 1,500 completions joining Jim Hart, Neil Lomax and Jake Plummer. **He could accomplish the feat at the youngest age (27 years, 32 days), in the fewest number of games (66) and with the fewest career pass attempts of any Cardinal.**

With a career completion of 66.6%, **Murray could become the fourth NFL QB since at least 1970 to have 1,500+ career completions with a career completion percentage of at least 66.6% joining Drew Brees, Dak Prescott and Kirk Cousins.**

FIRST MEETING SINCE THE "HAIL MURRAY"

When the Cardinals last faced the Bills in 2020, QB Kyler Murray led the Cards to a last-second, 32-30 victory. The win over Buffalo featured two go-ahead TD catches in the final 0:34 of regulation and **a game-winning, 43-yard Hail Mary TD with 0:02 remaining.**

Murray completed 22-of-32 pass attempts for 245 yards and a TD to pair with 11 carries for 61 yards (5.5 avg.) and two rushing TDs in the win. **The game marked his fifth consecutive contest with at least one passing TD and one rushing TD, which established an NFL record.**

CONNER HOPES TO KEEP TD STREAK ALIVE

RB James Conner ended the 2023 campaign with at least one TD (rushing or receiving) in each of the final five games of the season. With a TD on Sunday, he'll have a TD streak of 6+ games for the third time in his Cardinals career (7 games in 2021, 6 in '22).



In the Cardinals first 101 seasons (1920-2020) as an NFL franchise, a player had a streak of six or more consecutive games with a TD just three times. **With a TD on Sunday, Conner will have three such streaks since joining the team in 2021.**

Franchise Record - Consecutive Games w/ TD

| Rnk | Player (Year) | Gms | Game #s |
|-----|----------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| 1t | James Conner (2021) | 7 | Games 7-13 |
| 1t | John David Crow (1959-60) | 7 | Games 11-12 in '59; Games 1-5 in '60 |
| 1t | Mal Kutner (1947-48) | 7 | Games 8-12 in '47; Games 1-2 in '48 |
| 4t | James Conner (2022) | 6 | Games 10-15 |
| 4t | Anquan Boldin (2008) | 6 | Games 2-4; 7-9 |