



NEW ORLEANS SAINTS VS. LAS VEGAS RAIDERS
SUNDAY, OCT. 30, 2022 • CAESARS SUPERDOME
SAINTS POSTGAME NOTES

- The Saints defeated the Las Vegas Raiders 24-0, moving to 3-5. New Orleans returns to the field Monday, Nov. 7, when it hosts the Baltimore Ravens at the Caesars Superdome. The game will be broadcasted live nationally on ESPN (FOX 8 WVUE locally), and kickoff is at 7:15 pm CST.
- New Orleans evened out their record in contests played at the Caesars Superdome this year to 2-2.
- The Saints outgained the Raiders 367-183, including 205-73 in the first half.
- The New Orleans offense scored touchdowns on two-of-three red zone trips and seven-of-12 (58.3%) third down attempts.
- The New Orleans defense allowed just 12 first downs, 38 rushing yards, 145 passing yards and 3.3 yards per play.
- Including last season's shutout at Tampa Bay on December 19, 2021, this marks the first that the Saints have had shutouts in back to back seasons since the 1991 and 1992 campaigns. Since Saints Head Coach **Dennis Allen** took over the New Orleans defense in the middle of the 2015 season, this is the third shutout under his supervision of the defense.
- New Orleans did not allow the Las Vegas offense to cross midfield until 2:19 remaining in the fourth quarter.
- QB **Andy Dalton** started his third career game against the Raiders, improving his record against Las Vegas to 3-0.
- Dalton completed 22-of-30 passes for 229 yards and two touchdowns with a 117.2 passer rating.
- Dalton passed Donovan McNabb with his 235th career touchdown pass, moving to 30th in all time touchdown passes with his second touchdown pass of the day.
- He moved into 23rd all time in completions with 3,227, surpassing Matt Hasselbeck.
- The New Orleans offensive line kept Dalton from getting sacked for the second consecutive week, the first time, New Orleans has avoided sacks in consecutive contests since Weeks 13-15 of the 2019 season.
- RB **Alvin Kamara** scored his first touchdown of the season on a three-yard run. Kamara finished the game with 18 carries for 62 yards and a touchdown on the ground.
- Kamara had a team-leading nine receptions for 96 yards (10.7 avg.) and two touchdowns to lead the team in both rushing and receiving. He became the fifth Saint ever to surpass 400 career catches with his third catch of the game in the first quarter.
- Sunday was Kamara's 10th career game with a receiving and rushing touchdown and his 20th career game with multiple touchdowns.
- It was Kamara's first game with three or more touchdowns since he scored six touchdowns on Christmas Day of 2020 against the Vikings.
- Kamara became the first player in NFL history to record 10 games with at least one rushing and one receiving touchdown in his first six seasons. Only Marshall Faulk (15) and Brian Westbrook (12) have more such games. He is the first player in NFL history to record 10 games with at least one rushing and one receiving touchdown in his first six seasons.
- WR **Chris Olave** tallied five receptions for 52 yards. Sunday was Olave's sixth straight game with 50+ receiving yards.
- TE **Taysom Hill** registered 10 rushing attempts for 61 yards, one completion for 2 yards and one reception for 11 yards.
- DE **Cameron Jordan** played in his 184th career regular season game Sunday, surpassing DT/DE Jim Wilks for sole possession of seventh in the Saints record books.

- Jordan record a half sack to bring his total to 4.5 on the year, and finished the afternoon with two total tackles
- With his split sack of Raiders QB Derek Carr, Jordan now has sacks against 28 of the other 31 NFL teams. Carr was the 44th player Jordan has sacked in his career.
- DE **David Onyemata** tallied his first sack of 2022 in the third quarter. Onyemata finished with three total tackles.
- DE **Payton Turner** added his first two sacks of the season in the fourth quarter as well. He finished with two sacks on the afternoon and four total tackles.
- S **Tyrann Mathieu** picked off a Derek Carr pass in he second quarter for his second interception of the season. The pass was tipped into the air by LB **Pete Werner**. Mathieu finished with four total tackles, featuring three solo.
- Werner led the Saints in the game with 11 tackles (seven solo) and a pass defended.



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(Take on the team after this game): "I think anytime you get to get a shutout in a game I think that is huge. They are hard to come by in our league and you know the defense was challenged this week in terms of stepping up and playing the way we are capable of playing. I think they came out and played with energy, passion and I thought they played with a swagger, which was good to see."

(On the challenge the defense had this game): "Look I think it was just more our guys just understanding that we are perfectly capable of playing the type of football we played today, and we had not done that up until this point, so it really is just about our guys maximizing their potential and I thought they answered the bell today."

(On if the preparation was different for this game): "No. Players played well."

(On if this game is the blueprints on how the rest of their season needs to go): "Well yeah, I don't think necessarily us, not just us, I just think that is the recipe for success in our league. We won the time of possession battle, we won the third down battle, and I feel like we were getting into a decent amount of third and longer situations. We did not have a ton of penalties in the game and still have some things we need to clean up and I thought we ran the ball effectively and I think we did a good job stopping the run and we did not give up any (could not hear) plays so yeah there was a lot of good things and I think that the ability to run the football, stop the run is a big part of trying to win in our league."

(On Alvin Kamara being a leader on and off the field and his importance on the team): "Well I think he is really important. I think that leadership has grown this season. I think he understand that when you really look offensively in some of the younger skilled guys, we have I just think that veteran leadership presence is important, and it is important to have that in your best players. So, I thought that was good to see him step up this week and you know what he did not just step up in his words but did in his actions and I think that is what a real leader does."

(On if this is the most their defense of line has been able to affect a quarterback this season and how Marcus (Davenport) and Cam (Jordan) were able to do): "Well look I think we have always kind of said that that is kind of the catalyst that makes our defense go is the way that our front plays and the way we can stop the run and that starts with the front and the way we are able to get after the passer that starts with front. I thought they played really well today and that was what we were hoping."

(On the key things that helped the team hold Josh Jacobs just 43 yards and Davante Adams to a three-yard catch): "Getting 11 hats to the ball against the runner and getting up and challenging the receiver. Davante is a hell of a player, and he is one of the best receivers in our league and I do think that Paulson (Adebo) and Alontae (Taylor) answered the bell in terms of the challenge. They played the way that we are accustomed to play in the game. There was not a lot of uncontested looks or a lot of free access, there was a lot of challenge on the line of scrimmage, it takes some guts to be able to do that out there against one of the best receivers in the league and I am proud of the way those guys competed."

(On sticking with Andy Dalton this game): "Yeah I felt like he did. I thought he did the things we needed to do. There were some potential opportunities' where we could get the ball down the field. I think we had a big ball (possible opportunity) down the field. But then when it was not there, he was willing to take the check down. I thought he utilized Alvin in the passing game really well. Look I just think right now with what he is doing I think our offense is in rhythm, I think our play calls (are) in a rhythm, our offense is in a rhythm, and we are able to run the football which is getting us into a lot more manageable third downs and we are converting more third downs and keeping the other offense off the field."

(On the excitement of seeing the team play this way and how they can build off it): "Yeah, I think showing you say confidence born out of demonstrators ability and I think we demonstrated the type of team we are capable of being and so hopefully we can continue to build off of that and I think that is something unique about our team."

(On how bad the team needed a win like this): "I think anytime you're not playing as well as you think you are capable of playing to get out and have a performance like this is uplifting to everybody and you know I think the reality is we got a lot of great guys in that locker room, we have a lot of great veteran leadership in there and you know they basically said alright enough is enough and it is time to go get this done and I think our players did a great job."

(On the way Alontae Taylor competed in game): "I think that is what our unit's been. I think that unit back there always play with a swagger, they have always been competitive, they have always gotten up for a challenge."

(On having Alvin get the ball more often in the first three quarters. If it was planned or just happened that way): "Little bit of both. I mean Alvin is one of our best players, so I mean we are going into every game wanting to utilize him. We felt like there were some opportunities in the past game that presented themselves to get the ball to him and I thought he ran some outstanding rounds, and he did a good job getting the ball but yeah, we go into every game thinking we have to get Alvin the ball."

(On Alvin's comment about hopefully "whooping the Raiders" and how that made Dennis feel): "Feel much better about it now (laughter)"

(On Payton Turner and how he played): "Look there is a reason why we drafted him in the first round and he is a capable player we have to get him out on the field and keep him healthy and that is us and him and all of us because he is capable of doing it and now it is just a young guy being able to be consistent and doing it game in and game out."



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(On offensive method using Alvin Kamara): "Well we know the matchup that we have with him. And so, in the past games, if you can get the ball in his hands in space, you can see what he can do with it. And the two plays today that we scored on, with him, it's just him getting open, getting him the ball and let him do rest."

(On if the game is a sign for the offense): "I think by far this is the most complete game that we've played up to this point and I think it shows what we can do when we play the right way. For us we got to keep that going, keep that as the mindset and the mentality that this is how we expect to play."

(On the meaning of the game for Dennis Allen): "Yeah, I think it's always extra special when you can get a win against a former team. Like AK (Kamara) was saying, he made it seem like it wasn't a big deal but it is. For us, I'm happy that we were able to get the win, not only win but win the way we did. I think that means even more."

(On why Kamara is so hard to defend): "Well, like I said, you got to give him the ball in space and he can create separation and he can win on those routes. So the matchup that we have with him on whoever out there is in our favor. And it showed today what he can do once you get the ball in his hands in the right amount of time with him to operate with it in his hands. So, I think that's the biggest thing is he's so talented and he can do a lot."

(On the offensive line's performance): "They've been playing great. To come out of a game to not only not get sacked but not really get hit at all either. That's testament to what they're doing and what we were able to do in the run game today as well. I think that's so important. Those guys have found a groove and those guys mesh well. Those guys have been playing great."

(On how they can build on this game): "Yeah, this definitely gives us momentum. And this is the expectation for us moving forward, to play a complete game. And so that's where we're at, and we just got to keep building on it."

(On how often Kamara makes the right choice in the run game): "He never makes the wrong one. He's got a choice to make, whichever one he thinks is best. Shoot two touchdowns today. That shows he's pretty good at it."

(On what point he felt they got their swagger back): "I think the tone we set early on. I think just the way we came out to play today and it's got to stay that way."



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S Tyrann Mathieu

(On Alvin Kamara): “Obviously he has always been that kind of player. Even throughout camp, you are having to deal with him every day in practice. I think that is really what we expect from him. I think personally you kind of saw it coming. You saw the passion coming out in him after the Arizona game. He was itching to get back on the field today.”

(On the the 3rd and 1 stop of Davante Adams) “That was a big time play. We kind of got hit on that play in London when we played the Vikings. I think (Marcus Davenport) took it personally to not let it happen again. I think anytime that you make plays like that it not only gets the defense going, but the whole team.

(On not giving up a big play today) “That’s what we are capable of. Obviously, we are missing a few pieces. I think when we play loose and our kind of style and not pressing, then that’s mostly what we are capable of. I think it is just one game, but it was a good one for us.”

(On if he felt like they needed a win today) “To be honest, I don’t know if I have ever been part of a shutout. I’ve played in this league a long time, but to play the ball that we played today from the front end to the back end against a really good offense. I think that’s what we need. Most importantly, as long as we don’t press and stay loose, then that is what we are capable of as a defense.”

(On how hard it is to get a shutout and when did he start thinking about it.) “I didn’t think about it one time to be honest. To answer the first part of the question, I think it’s extremely hard. These are the best athletes in the world. It is hard to keep those guys out of the endzone for 60 minutes. Hats off to our coaches and the scheme. The guys too. We put our heads down and put in the work. I think that we hear all of the noise about our defense, but we never really bought into it. We always knew what we were capable of. This was a good game. We have another big time opponent coming in here next week. You just want to separate this one and move on.”

(On Alontae Taylor having swagger) “I’ve been around a few of them. He’s one of them for sure. I think. It really comes down to preparation. He always into it throughout the week. He’s one of the first guys on the practice field. He is always working on his craft. In the beginning of the season, we had a pretty deep DB room. He had a chip on his shoulder that he wanted to be able to help us. His time has come around. I think he is really showing up for us big time.”

(On limiting Davante Adams and Josh Jacobs) “It was huge. The last five or six years this team has been a great defense up front stopping the run. We wanted to get back to that style and that spirit. That’s what it is all about. Hats off to our coaches. None of those guys pressed us or anything like that. I think that is what it is about. Just staying together. Weathering the storm. The playmakers just have to go out there and make a few plays. I think we were able to do that today.”

(On the Raiders not crossing the 50-yard line until the last drive of the game) “That’s pretty rare. Like I said we have some of the best athletes in the world. Some of the best coaches as well. Hats off to our coaches we were able to fluster those guys for about 55 minutes in the game.”

(On getting his second interception of the season) “I was just trying to get to the ball. I think tips and overthrows are a big part of the game. I’m kind of pissed of about the one that I dropped. I can’t get that one out of my head. It’s cool to make a play for the team at any time.

RB Alvin Kamara

(On the amount of touches in the first half) “Anytime I can get those touches in bunches and early and often, I can get going and really impact the game. I feel like I can do that every game. Luckily, I was able to get some plays dialed up that put the ball in my hand. The offensive line was on point. The outside receivers were on point. The tight ends were on point. We came wanting to impose our will. We wanted to get back to playing our style of football. Obviously, it looks like it is me, but it is a team thing. It was refreshing.”

(On how gratifying it was to have an impact on the game) “I think Tyrann (Mathieu) hit on it. It goes in the preparation. I think after the Arizona game. I said what I said. I think everyone echoed and agreed. Some of the things that we were doing weren’t up to par how we’ve played around here the last couple of years. During the week, I think that was in everybody’s head and it showed during

practice. We had a great week of practice and we wanted to come out here and start fast. We started fast and got on them early. When you get rolling like that and you are able to impose your will, then it means a lot. Moving forward, if we keep doing that, then we will be where we want to be.”

(On how much did the need to win) “I feel like we need to win every week. Our defense played lights out. That’s how are defense plays. That’s how they are supposed to play. That’s what we expect. Our offense went out there and did what they are supposed to do. That’s what we expect every week. If it doesn’t happen, then I am pissed. I’m sure the coaches are pissed. It’s holding everyone accountable. It’s like ethics. It’s everyone being accountable to themselves and their teammate. We bring a certain amount of accountability and policing each other, passing woes and then looking for that breakthrough performance, then it’s justifying and doing the things that you need to do.”

(On the talking about the opportunity that lies ahead with the other teams in the division) “ I’m just worried about this locker room. Whatever the rest of the division is doing, then that’s what they are doing. I just want to focus on the Saints and getting us to where we need to be. Preparing every week and playing our best football. If we do that like we did today, then we will like where we are.”

(On if he was emotional spiking the ball after the second touchdown) “I wasn’t really emotional. I was having fun. I try to have fun every game. Obviously when you get in the endzone, it’s a little bit more fun. It was energy more than emotion. It’s been the trending topic. That’s what we are trying to get back to. Having fun. Playing with energy. Playing with passion and playing with swag. Having pride in the things that we are doing. Going out there and shutting a team out and having our way the whole game. It’s fun. That’s kind of what that was.”

(On if that was the farthest he has ever spiked a ball) “It’s going to be a point of emphasis on the film. Zach Line had a terrible spike a few years ago. I know that will see on film and we’ll talk about it.”

(On if he feels like if the swagger is back) “It’s on it’s way back. We had a nice performance right there. You can do it one time, but you have to be able to string it together. We have to do the same preparation for this week. I’m ready for next week. I expect to win every week. I’m not like hip hip hooray right now. I’m like cool. We put it together. Now, let’s see if we can do it again. I’m calling for that. I’m going to have the same message that I did last week. Just because we had a good week this week doesn’t mean that we can fall off or taper down. We have to do the same thing next week and the next week and the next week. Swag is consistency.”

(On if he pays attention to the trade talk) “I’m not interested in playing anywhere else. With that being said if I were to be traded somewhere else I’d probably be eating popcorn somewhere. I don’t really pay attention to it too much. My friends send it to me. They’ll say I know it’s not true, but I wanted to ask you. When something like that comes up, then it’s either my mom or my friends. They’ll be like what’s up with that and I’ll say that I’m not worried about any of that. They say I know that you are not, so keep doing your thing. If I were to get hypothetically get traded, then I’ll probably be eating popcorn at Andy Dalton’s house in Texas.”

(On Dennis Allen winning this game) “He lied. During the week, he really didn’t say anything about it. In the locker room, he said he lied and that it really meant a lot to him. I stick to what I said. We were going to go out there and beat their ass and we did that.”



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CB Alontae Taylor

“We were told to challenge those guys, challenge the line of scrimmage, make them make the throws, I thought that’s what we did. The biggest thing was the swagger. I thought we played with it. It felt different, good on the sidelines.”

(on how much the defensive line made it easier for the secondary today) “There were some times running down the field and you turn around and it’s sacks. The D-line did what they do. You didn’t see it, but (Demario) Davis came in here, he was talking to everybody, he was talking to the D-line, he was talking to the secondary. The biggest message was to go out there and play fast and that’s what we do”

S Marcus Maye

(On if Alontae Taylor’s energy and mentality is something that the secondary feeds off of) “Definitely, we do a great job of getting everybody going. We know what type of player he is, he has energy, physical. He did a great job in man coverage with Davante (Adams).”

(on what it was like to have that type of performance defensively) “It was big for us. Going into the locker room last week. We needed to get our swagger back, get back to playing the ball that we know we know how to play. That’s what we were preaching all week. Getting to the ball affecting the quarterback, everything just fell in line. The D-line did a great job in getting to the quarterback and stopping the run and we did a great job on the back end.”

“We need to go into next week with the same effort, same energy, same mentality and play football. We can’t afford any slip ups or anything like that.”

G Cesar Ruiz

“We all know that when 41 touches the ball magic happens, we all know that. It’s definitely great to see him go out there and do what everybody knows he can do. Everybody knows what he does. For him to go out there and do that is great, make people miss in open space, it’s great.”

(on what a win does for a team moving forward) “This is like, look at this game and keep building off it. This is how it’s supposed to gel. This is what we do, how we play football, that swagger, keep doing that, keep building off it and do it every week.”



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(Opening Statement): “Obviously, that wasn’t good enough in any way, shape or form, and that’s my responsibility. I have to do a much better job of getting ourselves ready to go here. We’re better than that. I apologize to Raider Nation for that performance, and again, I own that. That’s my responsibility. We have to do much better in every phase of the game to be able to compete against a team like that who is well-coached (and) has good players. They obviously came ready to play. They did a much better job than we did. It starts with me. We’re going to work hard, and we’re going to fix it.”

(On coming back from the loss): “We’re going to have to figure that out, obviously. There’s no shortcut to that. We’ve performed and played much better than this. We have coached much better than this. When we play a game like this backward, on the road against a good team in a hostile environment, it’s difficult. You make things difficult for yourself. We didn’t get off to a good start, and again, they did. Credit to them. Dennis (Allen) did a great job with his team today. Like I said, I’ve got to do better.”

(On how he would like the team to respond following the loss): “I don’t think there is any big speech to give. Look, the season’s still – again, there’s a lot of football left to be played and coached. We have to work. The only way to fix things that aren’t being done well, the only way to win when you’re not winning consistently is to try and put work in and try to improve. Clearly, we need to improve in all three phases. That’s our job. That’s my responsibility. Like I said, that’s what we are going to have to do, and that’s what we will do.”

(On if the team was adequately prepared): “I mean, clearly the performance doesn’t represent that. It doesn’t matter what I say now about our week of practice or anything like that. Like I said, I’m responsible for it. I have to do a better job of getting us prepared if that’s the best we can do.”

(On the problems in the passing game): “I would say there was probably a litany of things. I think the penalty situation, obviously, you try to steer clear of that this year, but that didn’t really help us falling behind the sticks. I’d say half the drives, it felt like we were trying to dig out a 1st-and-20 or 2nd and long. They mix their coverages up pretty well. They got some pressure on our passer. Until I see everything on the film, it would be hard to pinpoint one area. When you pass the ball well, it’s usually a function of a lot of people doing their jobs right. When you don’t, it doesn’t take many things to go wrong to hurt that. We’re going to need to protect well, read the coverage right, run good routes, finish throws and catches. That’s what it takes against a good defense. They challenged us today. They played some tight coverage. It wasn’t all just zone or Cover 2 or anything like that. They mixed it up pretty well on us. The most important thing they had was control of the game. They had control of the game. When you get control of the game, then you can pretty much call whatever you want on your side, and on the other side, you’re kind of defending a lot of different things. That’s what it felt like today.”

(On the fake punt): “There’s always an opportunity to do that in the kicking game sometimes where you build in calls. Depending on the look, you might have a shot at it. That kind of thing. Most teams are doing that nowadays. Obviously, it didn’t work out in our favor. We will have to see exactly what happened on that. When you do those things, it comes down to execution and they obviously did a better job than we did.”

(On the Saints defensive pressure): “No, they have a good front. Again, I think most importantly for us, when you’re behind the sticks as we were a number of times, they can pin their ears back and rush. They run a lot of stunts in games. They have good players. They have a good team, and they obviously executed it better than we did. Being in the shotgun however many times we were and trying to dig out from long yardage situations is never a good formula against a team that can rush the passer like they can. We’re going to need a better job on first and second down to stay away from those situations.”

(On defending Alvin Kamara): “(Alvin Kamara) is a good player. We mixed zone and different things. He did some pretty slick things there to get open. He’s a point of attack guy for them. Clearly again, we didn’t do enough of a good job with him. We didn’t do a good enough job tackling when he had the ball in space. We tried to play, I thought, competitive in the running game until it just got out of hand there later in the game. I thought we were that but just too many opportunities for him in space. When that happens, he’s eventually going to make some big yards, and that’s what he did.”

(On the week ahead): "Look, there's no shortcut to improving. It starts with me. I've got to work hard. They've got to work hard. That's what we're going to do. I think we have a great group in the locker room. They're resilient. They practice hard. They study. They prepare. Again, like I said, if you want to point a finger, point it at me. Obviously, I need to do a better job of getting us ready on game day. I love the group in there. I think they really band together. I thought they fought hard in the second half. We didn't do anything offensively to help ourselves get back in the game. There was no quit in the football team. That's not something to build on, but that's the way you're supposed to play every down, every minute of the game. Just come back to work this week. We will be down in Florida. Try to band together, get a victory next weekend against another good team, and see what we can do."

(On not crossing the 50-yard line until the last drive of the game): "Disappointing. Very disappointing, and like I said, we have to do a better job."

(On Davante Adams' one reception): "You can probably throw it all in there somehow, someway. I know (Adams) had a few opportunities. I know the one, he made a great catch on the one. It didn't get overturned. I thought we had a couple other opportunities. Look, people pay attention to really good football players, and obviously, that's what he is. He wants to get going and get started. We are trying to do that. Again, I have to do a better job of finding him early in the game and getting him involved."



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(on the loss) “When you come out against a good defense, against a good team, you have to be ready to play. It starts in the week of practice. It starts when you show up to the field. I’ve played these guys a couple of times. I’ve played this game a lot, obviously. They’ve been good. They’ve stopped some of the best offenses in football. They’ve had times when they’re up and down, and all this kind of stuff, but we saw the best version of it today. We, actually, felt that was going to happen. You’ve got to have the mindset to come in and be ready for the physicality environment, the game that they want to play. I thought that they came out with more of that than we did.”

(on if he can give any reason as to why the team played poorly) “No. Me and Josh (McDaniels), we talk. We were communicating throughout the game, throughout the week, all of the time, figuring those things out. He and I, we’ll sit down, we’ll talk, as the leaders, and all of that kind of stuff, and figure that out and put our finger on it. This was embarrassing. We can’t have that. That, right there, is embarrassing and it should never happen, especially with the group of guys in that locker room. It sucks that we went through it and it happened. You give them (Saints) credit. Great defense, great scheme. D.A. (Dennis Allen) did a great job. Their players played hard. They played hard. We have to take a look at ourselves though and really check to see how we want to go into this next game.”

(on the response in the locker room going forward) “Just more urgency. Urgency is the word. Urgency in the meetings, in the walk through. Competitive. No one is going to give you anything in this league. There is a hope that we are learning that. We learned that today. I hope that that’s the last time.”

(on if he was surprised by the lack of urgency) “That’s on us 100 percent....I think it was more of an awakening. I thought that we had a good week or practice. Now, you go back and look at it, and say, ‘Was it as good as we thought it was. Or was it just a mindset of waking up this morning and coming out to the game.’ We’ll talk about that. We will look at that. It starts with us. 100 percent. We will look at that. One thing that I know about our team is that we’ve responded every time that there has been challenges. Every time that we’ve went through something, we respond the right way. We come to work the right way. And, we have a great opportunity to be together all week. We will have to do that. Not that you ever want to go through with this, but going through something like this, we are all together now. Let’s see what we can do this week.”

(on the team not passing the 50-yard line until near the end of the game) “It was very frustrating. Like I said, it was embarrassing. We are so much better than that, but we didn’t earn that today. You take a look at it, there are a lot of guys who care about it in that locker room. We will be very self-critical. I promise you, we will try to do better next week.”

(on Foster Moreau) “I know that he had a lot of family here, a lot of friends. We are professionals, we are trying to win a football game, but that’s a cool moment for his family to see someone who grew up here, and probably dreamed of maybe playing here, and end up going to LSU. There is so much there. I’m sure for his family, I’m sure it was a really cool moment for them to be able to see him back in their hometown.”