

Bears turn luck around for first win

Alberta footballers left the SFU Clansmen in their dust this weekend, dominating all aspects of play on their way to a big victory



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Players of the Game

We'll split this award between Hugh O'Neill, the 17-year-old kicker, and third-year running back Tendayi Jozzy. O'Neill made all five of his field goal attempts, which ranged from 17 to 45 yards. Jozzy led Alberta in rushing with 136 yards—in addition to his two touchdowns.

Box Score

First Quarter

10:18 SFU—Chris Passaglia 32-yard field goal
06:05 SFU—Anthony DesLauriers 99-yard interception return (Chris Passaglia kick)
00:00 AB—Hugh O'Neill 42-yard field goal

Second Quarter

10:34 AB—Hugh O'Neill 26-yard field goal
08:42 AB—Tendayi Jozzy 5-yard run (Hugh O'Neill kick)
00:00 AB—Hugh O'Neill 17-yard field goal

Third Quarter

12:34 AB—Hugh O'Neill 34-yard field goal
08:42 AB—Tendayi Jozzy 2-yard run (Hugh O'Neill kick)
07:15 AB—Damon Fraietta 40-yard touchdown pass from Quade Armstrong (Hugh O'Neill kick)
04:07 AB—Tyler Budinski 19-yard touchdown pass from Quade Armstrong (Hugh O'Neill kick)
02:31 AB—Alberta safety
00:44 AB—Hugh O'Neill 45-yard field goal

Fourth Quarter

No scoring

Simon Fraser	10	0	0	0	—	10
Alberta	3	13	29	0	—	45

	SFU	AB
First downs	10	39
Yards rushing	83	265
Yards passing	67	318
Net offense	150	583
Passes made-attempted	6-19	20-34
Return yards	101	148
Interceptions by-yards	2-107	2-8
Fumbles-lost	6-3	1-0
Sacks by	0	11
Punts-average	10-33.7	6-34.2
Penalties-yards	7-65	13-120
Time of possession	24:27	35:33
Field goals made-attempted	1-1	5-5

RUSHING: Simon Fraser—Dallas Hunt 12-61; Josh Havey 7-18; Jason Marshall 3-11; Jordan Scheltgen 3-6; Brian Trautman 1-0. Alberta—Tendayi Jozzy 21-139; Matthew Jarvis 7-53; Evan Hoffman 3-38; John Smeysters 3-18; Bobby Rau 3-11; Tyler Budinski 2-10; Sam Azooz 1-5; Quade Armstrong 2-6.

PASSING: Simon Fraser— Jason Marshall 13-5-2; Jordan Scheltgen 6-1-0. Alberta—Quade Armstrong 29-17-2; Evan Hoffman 5-3-0.

RECEIVING: Simon Fraser—Chris Passaglia 3-46; Aaron Hargreaves 2-27; Bernd Dittrich 1-5. Alberta—Damon Fraietta 9-143; Aaron Holba 4-72; Duncan Hankinson 4-68; Danny Diaz 2-16; Tyler Budinski 1-19.



PETE YEE

IT'S A BIRD, IT'S A PLANE, IT'S SUPER-BEAR! Golden Bears wide receiver Eduardo Diaz keeps SFU's Daniel Stanzel from getting his punt on.

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After picking up their first win of the year this weekend against the Simon Fraser Clan (0-4), the Golden Bears football team (1-3) seems confident that the 45-10 victory will be just what they needed to help put the past behind them.

"We were able to take the Regina game and the UBC game, put those together, and play one complete game for the whole sixty minutes, which is what we've been lacking from the start of the season," Bears running back Tendayi Jozzy said. "Hopefully we can just roll with this momentum."

Jozzy had what he hopes will turn out to be a breakout performance. In his strongest game of the season thus far, the second-year tailback rushed for 139 of the Bears' 583 total offensive yards, picking up two touchdowns on the way.

"This was the first game where we actually managed to play the full sixty minutes. And it showed," Bears kicker Hugh O'Neill agreed.

The 17-year-old was also a huge part of the Alberta attack, completing all five of his field goal attempts—the longest a 45-yarder—and making a highlight reel-worthy 51-yard punt after just barely avoiding two approaching defenders.

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Friesen said about the freshman.

Things started out grim for the Bears, as SFU came out strong in the first quarter, gaining a 10-0 lead less than nine minutes into the game—in large part thanks to a 99-yard interception return by the Clan's Anthony DesLauriers. That said, it was clear that the Bears weren't shaken by SFU's early success.

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"Being down 10-0, we've done that before, so it wasn't that big of a deal," Jozzy said. "But I was glad because it shows a lot of character, the way we bounced back from it."

The Bears offence exploded in the third quarter, racking up 29 points. The second half began with Bears' rookie defensive back Dean Guedo picking off a pass thrown by veteran SFU quarterback Jason Marshall. It was the first of two interceptions Guedo snatched in the game.

Bears quarterback Quade Armstrong completed 17 of his 29 pass attempts, gaining 280

yards, and throwing two touchdown passes and two interceptions. Armstrong was also able to connect with slotback Damon Fraietta nine times for a total of 143 yards.

According to Jozzy, the Bears' offensive success was in large part due to their hard-working defence who, as he put it, "played a hell of a game."

The Bears defence did have some difficulty containing Simon Fraser's rookie tailback Dallas Hunt, who rushed for 55 yards in the first half. The second half was another story, however, as the entire SFU offence was contained to only nine rushing yards.

"We came out a little slow, but our defence stepped up," Bears linebacker Dan Bass said. "All year we've been saying we want to play four quarters, and we did just that after that first drive."

Although the score may not indicate it, Friesen still sees plenty of room for improvement. For instance, the Bears managed to draw 13 penalties for a total loss of 120 yards.

"This is the most number of penalties that I've seen in two games at home throughout the league," said Friesen referring to this game and Alberta's loss to the University of Regina Rams two weeks ago in which the Bears were flagged eleven times.

"We can get better. We've got another half of the season, and we have to build off of this," he said. "Our young players now have a chance of believing in themselves."