



**Game Notes
North Dakota
vs. San Jose State
August 28, 2014**



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San Jose State captains – C David Peterson, DT Travis Raciti, LB Vince Buhagiar, S Forrest Hightower.

The 32-point differential in San Jose State's 42-3 win is the largest in a season opener since the 51-0 win at New Mexico State in 1988.

In its last three games dating back to the final two in 2013, San Jose State scored 156 points, the most by the Spartans in a three-game span. The previous high was 151 in three consecutive games in 1948.

For the first time since 2007, a pair of freshmen opened the season at offensive guards for San José State. Redshirt freshmen Jeremiah Kolone and Nate Velichko started at left and right guard, respectively, for the Spartans.

Other first-time starters for San Jose State included RB Thomas Tucker, DE Adrian Blake, S Akeem King and CB Cleveland Wallace, III.

Tyler Winston caught 10 passes for 96 yards and two touchdowns in the opener. Winston now has three consecutive games with 10 receptions and at least one touchdown catch dating back to the Navy game in 2013.

Blake Jurich threw his first touchdown pass of the season and second of his career when he connected with Winston at the 8:24 mark of the first quarter. Jurich's first touchdown pass as a Spartan came in the 2012 UC Davis win on September 8.

Cleveland Wallace III's second-quarter interception was his second at the major college level. He had an interception when he played for the University of Washington.

Shane Smith's touchdown reception to increase San José State's lead to 21-0 was his second at the major college level.

Tyler Ervin picked up his fourth career return for a touchdown with his 40-yard punt return touchdown in the third quarter. He had three kickoff returns for touchdowns in 2011 and 2012. Ervin returned punts for the Spartans for the first time in the North Dakota contest. The last Spartan to return a punt for a touchdown was Dwight Lowery in the 2007 Hawaii game.

San Jose State tied a team record for passing accuracy in the North Dakota win. The Spartans completed 23-of-26 passes tying the 2008 numbers in the 23-10 loss to Stanford in 2008.