

Nov. 7 - at Bowling Green 58, Akron 21

For the fourth time in five home games, the Falcons dominated their opponent posting a 58-21 win over Akron in their home finale.

BG scored on eight of its first nine possessions to build a 51-13 lead at the end of the third quarter and coasted to their third straight win. BG scored 41 of its points in the middle two quarters, five of those touchdowns on running plays as BG rolled up another big day on the ground with 371 yards on 69 carries.

BG scored the first 16 points of the game, then the two teams took turns scoring touchdowns before the Falcons put the game away with three third quarter scores.

BG took the second half kickoff and drove 63 yards in 10 plays with Steve Holmes scampering 14 yards to paydirt. Fullback Adam Lige then capped the next two possessions with short scoring runs and the Falcons were on their way.

The 58 points were the most by a BG team since a 59-36 win over Ball State at home on Oct. 22, 1994. The 558 yards of total offense for the Falcons was the most since the 1985 squad had 617 yards in a 38-7 win over Ohio on Nov. 23.

The Falcons finished their home season with a 4-1 mark averaging 40.0 points a game, 450.4 yards of total offense per game, 283.2 of that on the ground. BG won its four home contests by an average of almost 27 points per outing.

Freshman wide receiver Robert Redd had the best game of his young career with three receptions for 131 yards, including a 78-yarder in the second quarter that set up a BG score which made it 23-7. It was the longest non-scoring pass play in school history besting the 74-yarder from Vern Wireman to Bob Zimpfer against Utah State in 1969. BG is now averaging 204.1 yards on the ground this season. BG had just 17 net yards rushing in the season opener against Missouri and has had at least 146 yards in each game since. BG has averaged 82 plays in the last three games.

Akron	0	13	0	8	-	21
Bowling Green	10	20	21	7	-	58

BG - Jason Strasser 40 field goal, 8:06, 1st qtr.

BG - John Gibson 7 run (Strasser kick), 3:03, 1st qtr.

BG - Brent Martin 4 run (kick failed), 13:07, 2nd qtr.

AK - Greg Lomax 12 run (Zac Derr kick), 8:32, 2nd qtr.

BG - Tony Holcomb 2 pass from Bob Niemet (Strasser kick), 7:53, 2nd qtr.

AK - Lomax 15 run (kick failed), 4:01, 2nd qtr.

BG - Niemet 21 run (Strasser kick), 1:00, 2nd qtr.

BG - Steve Holmes 14 run (Strasser kick), 10:19, 3rd qtr.

BG - Adam Lige 3 run (Strasser kick), 4:10, 3rd qtr.

BG - Lige 1 run (Strasser kick), 2:00, 3rd qtr.

AK - Lomax 48 run (Butchie Washington run), 13:54, 4th qtr.

BG - Robbie Hollis 17 run (Strasser kick), :24, 4th qtr.

Attendance - 14,273

Team Statistics - First Downs (AK 19, BG 30); Rushes-Yards (AK 36-157, BG 69-371); Passing Yardage (AK 224, BG 187); Completions-Attempts-Interceptions (AK 17-30-1, BG 7-14-0); Punts-Avg. (AK 4-31.8, BG 1-30.0); Fumbles-Lost (AK 4-2, BG 2-1); Penalties-Yards (AK 5-40, BG 3-22); Time of Possession (AK 24:07, BG 35:53).

Individual Leaders - Bowling Green - Rushing (Robbie Hollis 14-74, Bob Niemet 6-72, Adam Lige 18-70); Passing (Bob Niemet 6-13-167); Receiving (Robert Redd 3-131, Kurt Gerling 1-27). Akron - Rushing (Greg Lomax 15-96); Passing (Butchie Washington 15-26-195); Receiving (Jake Schifino 6-80, Jon Eaton 4-68, Greg Lomax 2-45).