

Falcons Fall To South Florida, 29-7

Josh Harris scores Bowling Green's lone touchdown on an eight yard run.

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TAMPA, Fla. - Marquel Blackwell threw for 220 yards and one touchdown Saturday night as South Florida extended the nation's second-longest Division I-A home winning streak to 19 games with a 29-7 victory over Bowling Green.

Blackwell completed 21 of 40 passes and increased his school-record streak of consecutive attempts without an interception to 199. The senior threw a 42-yard TD pass to Chris Iskra in the first quarter and went over 10,000 yards in career total offense on a 7-yard completion in the second half.

South Florida (8-2) won its sixth straight overall and showed why coach Jim Leavitt feels the Bulls are worthy of consideration for their first-ever bowl bid by dominating a team that was ranked No. 20 before losing its first game a week ago.

Bowling Green (8-2), which dropped out of the Top 25 after losing 26-17 at Northern Illinois, again fell well below its season scoring average of 44 points. The Falcons' lone touchdown was set up by a blocked punt on the fourth play of the game, and South Florida finished with a 383-226 advantage in total yards.

Blackwell, who has thrown just three interceptions in 367 attempts this season, wiped out a 7-0 deficit with his TD pass to Iskra. DeJuan Green's 9-yard touchdown run made it 16-7, and Clenton Crossley scored on a 2-yard run to make it 23-7 at the half.

The Bulls continued to pile up yardage in the third and fourth quarters but were limited to a pair of field goals by Santiago Gramatica. Bowling Green got inside South Florida's 30 three times in the second half, but couldn't score.

[Josh Harris](#), who completed 10 of 24 passes for 84 yards, scored Bowling Green's touchdown on an 8-yard run. The Bowling Green star was unable to take advantage of a second South Florida error in the kicking game, though, losing a fumble at the Bulls' 4 with his team trailing by 16 late in the third quarter.

South Florida finished unbeaten at home for the third straight season and has outscored opponents 744-233 during the streak. The Bulls, whose losses came on the road at Oklahoma and Arkansas, are 8-0 all-time at home against Division I-A foes.

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Josh Harris eludes South Florida defenders on a first-quarter touchdown run.