

- *Saturday, November 23, 2013*

- *Ohio Stadium - Columbus, Ohio*

- *Indiana (4-6, 2-4) at Ohio State (10-0, 6-0)*

- *3:30 p.m. ET*

- *TV: ABC (Regional) or ESPN2 -*



The Indiana Hoosiers will provide the opposition as the Buckeyes try to set a school record for consecutive victories with their 23rd straight on Senior Day in Columbus this Saturday. It's the final home game of the 2013 season, and 18 seniors will be honored for their contributions to

Ohio State football, including 10 starters.

Ohio State squeaked by the Hoosiers last year by a 52-49 score, in a game that saw Indiana stage a furious 4th quarter comeback that ended when OSU recovered the second of two onside kick attempts with just over a minute to play. The Hoosiers are trying to close out 2013 with two victories to become bowl eligible, but an upset win over Ohio State, in the final career home game for so many Buckeye players, seems like a pipe dream.

Not unlike Illinois a week ago, the Hoosiers have an offense that can put points on the board, especially with their passing game, but also like the Illini, their defense has proven to be as effective as a screen door in a submarine, giving up a whopping 676 total yards to Wisconsin last week in a 51-3 loss to the Badgers. Ohio State has the most prolific offense in the conference (536.9 ypg), and Indiana the worst defense (534.8 ypg allowed). Whatever happens when Indiana has the football is likely to be of secondary importance.

The all-time series between the schools has been a story of OSU dominance. Ohio State leads it 69-12-5, including a mark of 43-10-4 in Columbus. The Bucks have won the last 18 meetings, going back to a tie in 1990. OSU lost two straight to the Hoosiers in 1987 and 1988.

OSU remains 3rd-ranked in the AP poll, and 4th in the coaches (ESPN/USA Today) poll, and is clinging to a slim lead over 4th-place Baylor in the BCS rankings. It's safe to say all those rankings will be moot in terms of the BCS title game if neither Alabama or Florida State loses a game in the next three weeks. If those two teams and the Buckeyes all win out, all three teams will go to Pasadena, with OSU playing on January 1st in the Rose Bowl, rather than on the 6th in the championship game.

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