

Ohio State held their annual spring game Saturday, a combination football exhibition and recruiting showcase, as Braxton Miller and freshman receiver Mike Thomas grabbed the headlines on the field, and another blue-chip recruit succumbed to the allure of playing for Urban Meyer's Buckeyes. Meyer was a visible presence all afternoon, staying close enough to the action to take a shotgun snap from center after firing up his troops with a <u>one-on-one drill</u> at midfield before the game.

Both teams came out throwing the ball, as Meyer had promised they would, and Miller's Scarlet squad came out on top 20-14 with the help of Thomas' 12 receptions for 131 yards. It didn't escape notice after the game that OSU's leading receiver had 14 receptions for the entire 2011 season. Meyer said last week that total was more like a game's worth, and he set out to prove it Saturday.

Miller and backup Kenny Guiton combined for 57 pass attempts, against just 36 combined rushes. Miller and the Scarlet got 15 first downs passing, and only three running the ball, as Buckeye fans got their first look at Meyer's no-huddle spread attack. Both quarterbacks established the pass to the perimeter early, opening up the short inside throws and seam passes to the tight ends.





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