

Buckeyes Beat Hoosiers, 27-14

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BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) - Lydell Ross ran for 124 yards and two touchdowns, and Steve Bellisari was 15-for-21 for 181 yards as Ohio State beat Indiana 27-14 Saturday.

Ross, a true freshman who wasn't listed on Ohio State's two-deep depth chart, entered the game with only six carries for 20 yards in two games. He had 16 carries for 69 yards in the first quarter, and carried 25 times overall.

Bellisari opened the third quarter with consecutive 17-yard completions to Chris Gamble and Angelo Chattams. Ross ran the ball five straight times and scored on a 5-yard run with 12:07 left to put the Buckeyes (2-1, 1-0 Big Ten) ahead 10-7.

Ross had a 1-yard touchdown run with 23 seconds left in the first half for a 17-7 lead.

He had to be helped to the sideline with 3:03 remaining in the game after being tackled. He did not return.

By then, the Buckeyes had finished scoring, with the last touchdown coming on a 7-yard run by Jonathon Wells.

Josh Huston, who kicked a 20-yard field goal in the first quarter, added another 20-yarder in the third to push the lead to 20-14.

Bellisari, who completed only 5 of 23 passes for 45 yards last week against UCLA, rebounded with an 11-for-15, 146-yard effort in the first quarter. The Buckeyes finished with 391 yards of total offense after only 166 last week.

Indiana's Antwaan Randle El, who became the first quarterback in Division I-A history to rush for 3,000 yards and pass for 6,000 yards, threw a 44-yard touchdown pass to Levron Williams with 7:03 left in the third to make it 20-14.

Williams scored the Hoosiers' first

touchdown, on a 1-yard run in the first quarter. Williams ran for 81 yards on 21 carries and caught four passes for 62 yards.

Ohio State has won eight straight games against the Hoosiers (0-3, 0-1). Indiana's attendance was 48,577 thanks to about 15,000 Ohio State fans.