

## Blackhawks return to title game

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CONROE, Texas - The Iowa Blackhawks, Council Bluffs' indoor professional football team, defeated the Conroe Storm, 32-26, Saturday to earn their second trip to the American Professional Football League Championship game in the three years.

Conroe (8-3) began the scoring early in first quarter on a one-yard touchdown run by quarterback Stephen Sahr to give the Storm a 7-0 lead.

The first half remained a defensive struggle, and it looked as if Conroe may take a lead into halftime. But after a Jerry Lakin field-goal, and a great defensive stand, Iowa running back George Patterson took a handoff 24-yards for the go-ahead score with just under a minute to go before the break.

Two plays after the Storm took the kick off, linebacker Chris Moore intercepted a Sahr pass and ran it in for a touchdown with 32-seconds left in the half to give Iowa a 17-7 lead, and the momentum, going into halftime.

After Patterson's second touchdown run of the game, the Storm came within three points when quarterback Lloyd Jones came off the bench and connected with wide receiver Johnnie Williams to make the score 23-20 Iowa.

Blackhawks wide receiver Steve Rush provided Iowa with the knock-out punch with a 25-yard diving touchdown reception from Chuck Wright giving them a 32-20 lead with 2:55 remaining in the game.

Lloyd Jones got the Storm close with a touchdown pass to Alvin Lee with 18-seconds remaining in the game.

Iowa recovered the onside kick attempt to seal the win.

The Kansas Koyotes (9-2) will play host once again at the Kansas Expocentre in Topeka, Kan., Saturday at 7:05 p.m.

In 2005, Iowa (9-3) was defeated by Kansas 26-24 on a Koyote field-goal as time expired to claim their second straight APFL title.

For ticket information call the Koyotes' office at (785) 228-0729.

The game will also be broadcast live via Web-TV pay-per-view for \$15 sponsored by IndoorFootballFan.com.

For more information regarding the pay-per-view, call the Blackhawks office at (712) 366-9326 or go online at [iowablackhawks.com](http://iowablackhawks.com).