

Mistakes once again bedevil team in 24-21 loss to Rams

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After the first two preseason games, Bengals coach Marvin Lewis was a little concerned about the offense's propensity for turnovers, but not alarmed.

He might want to start sounding the alarm bells.

Four Bengals turnovers led to 17 Rams' points as St. Louis came away with a 24-21 win at Paul Brown Stadium on Thursday.

In three preseason games, the Bengals have committed eight turnovers, with five by the first-team offense (four fumbles and an interception). During

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College free agent Quan Cosby got the Bengals off to a fast start by running back a punt 49 yards for a touchdown. **Notebook, C4**

the previous two games, the turnovers haven't led to any points, but the Bengals weren't so fortunate Thursday.

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Bengals coach Marvin Lewis receives the Steve Patterson Award for Excellence in Sports Philanthropy for his Community Fund efforts from Carlette Patterson of Patterson Sports Ventures on Thursday.