

2003 GAME RECAPS

Boston College 19 BALL ST 11 - Thurs Night. First game under the permanent lights at BSU & attracted a stadium record crowd of 23,718. BC's punter was tkl'd in the EZ for a safety. BSU got 3 FD's to the 11 but a sk forced a 39 yd FG & BSU led 5-0. BC went 76 yds & got a 16 yd TD pass (2 ptng) 6-5. After a BC int, BSU got a 39 yd FG, 8-6. BC's Blackmon ret'd the KO 96 yds for a TD (2 ptng) 12-8. BSU got a 27 yd FG on the final play of the half, 12-11. In 3Q BC went 53 yds for a TD, 19-11. RB Whitworth set a BC frosh record w/129 yds rushing.

BOSTON COLLEGE 21 Penn St 7 - BC drove 80 yds in 16 plays for a TD. PSU QB Mills hit 23 of 41 for 254 yds but had 4 int. BC went 74 yds & hit a 26 yd TD pass, 14-0. In the 3Q PSU opened w/a 61 yd 8 play drive for a TD, 14-7. BC drove 74 yds in 16 plays & got a 2 yd TD pass, 21-7 w/2:35 left in the 3Q.

BOSTON COLLEGE 27 Connecticut 7 - CT's very first play in BE ball was a fmb'l on the opening KO at their own 13. Two plays later BC had a 12 yd TD pass, 7-0. BC drove 77 yds & nailed a 42 yd FG, 10-0. BC went 79 yds for a TD, 17-0. CT answered w/a 79 yd drive for a TD w/:50 left in the half, 17-7. BC got a 34 yd TD pass capping a 64 yd 5 play drive, 24-7. BC went 31 yds in 9 plays & nailed a 37 yd FG w/5:04 left.

WAKE FOREST 17 Boston College 14 - For the 2nd straight year WF had a comeback win vs BC. BC K Mike Fassel was inj'd & Ohliger missed 3 FG's. The teams traded missed FG's early. WF WR Morton fired a 53 yd TD pass to Davis on a trick play, 7-0. Randolph led WF on a 49 yd 14 play drive & they hit a 35 yd FG w/3:55 left in the half, 10-0. BC went 80 yds & got a TD w/:11 left, 10-7. BC went 59 yds & got a TD, 14-10. WF got a 40 yd TD pass as 2 BC defenders went for the int & missed.

BOSTON COLLEGE 29 UMass 7 - BC had 26-8 FD & 516-147 yd edges. RB Whitworth was out (knee inj) & AJ Brooks broke the school frosh rec w/160 yds. BC opened w/a 47 yd drive & Brooks' 1 yd TD run made it 7-0. BC went 81 yds for a 27 yd FG, 10-0. BC was int'd & ret'd 47 yds to the 16. UM got a TD 3 plays later, 10-7 after 1Q. BC got a 33 yd FG. BC drove 59 yds for a TD, 20-7. BC nailed a 35 yd FG w/4:22 left in the half, 23-7. BC was int'd at the 9 w/:26 left in the half. BC drove 72 yds for a TD w/7:43 left.

PITTSBURGH 20 Boston College 17 - Heavy rain. BC QB Peterson hit 32-53 for a career best 367 yds but BC was held to a season low 56 yds rush. BC settled for a 23 yd FG. Pitt went 65 yds for a TD, 7-3. In the 3Q the rain stopped & Pitt went 51 yds & got a TD, 14-3. BC got a 61 yd KR to the Pitt 31 & 5 plays later they got a TD, 14-10. Pitt went 80 yds in 18 plays & was at the 3 but settled for a 17 yd FG from the footline, 17-10. BC went 76 yds, but after a 1st & goal was SOD. BC drove 89 yds in 10 plays & got a TD w/3:26 left to tie it. In OT Pitt hit a 27 yd FG. BC fmb'l'd & Pitt rec'd.

Boston College 24 NOTRE DAME 23 - For the 4th consecutive year BC defeated ND but the Irish blew numerous opportunities. The teams traded TD's in the 1Q then the Irish scored 2 TD's in the 2Q but missed an xp & led 20-7 at the half. The Irish had a 213-126 yd edge at the half but BC had a 319-122 yd edge in the 2H. BC went 92 yds in 8 plays for a TD to pull within 20-14. BC settled for a 22 yd FG, 20-17. ND hit a 43 yd FG w/2:51 left, 23-17. BC faced a 4th & 13 w/1:41 left & converted & then on 2nd & 2, they got a 30 yd TD pass w/:54 left, 24-23. ND got to the BC 38 w/:01 left, but missed a 55 yd FG.

BOSTON COLLEGE 21 Rutgers 10 - RU was int'd & BC ret'd it 32 yds for a TD. RU went 80 yds in 6 plays for a TD, 7-7. At the half RU had a 226-183 yd edge & 10-8 FD edge. In the 3Q BC fmb'l'd at their own 32. RU went 25 yds in 7 plays & had a 1st & goal but settled for a 24 yd FG & a 10-7 lead. BC quickly went 59 yds for a TD, 14-10 w/3:42 left in the 3Q. BC went 65 yds in 6 plays for a TD w/13:31 left, 21-10.

Boston College 36 W VIRGINIA 17 - BC won in Morgantown for the 1st time S/'90 despite the fact that WV had a 21-14 FD edge & 452-243 yd edge. Sp tms decided the game as BC got 41 & 71 yd PR's for TD's. BC led 24-7 at the half. WV fmb'l'd the opening KO of the 3Q. BC got a 47 yd FG. WV drove 91 yds in 18 plays for a TD, 27-14. WV went 83 yds in 10 plays & settled for a 25 yd FG, 27-17. BC ret'd the KO to the WV 37 & hit a 36 yd FG, 30-17. BC ret'd a punt 71 yds for a TD, 36-17.

Boston College 34 TEMPLE 17 - This was Temple's final game in the BE & season finale. BC went 73 yds for a TD. TU went 70 yds in 16 plays but settled for a 31 yd FG, 7-3. BC went 76 yds for a TD, 14-3. QB Peterson was inj'd on a sk which forced a 3rd & 19 & Ryan QB'd the rest of the gm. Ryan hit a 13 ydr setting up a 43 yd FG w/:22 left in the half, 17-3. At the half BC had a 237-132 yd edge. In the 3Q BC went 86 yds in 6 plays for a TD. TU fmb'l'd at their own 23 & BC added a 33 yd FG, 27-3. TU went 60 yds for a TD w/2:26 left 3Q. TU drove 95 yds & got a TD w/5:13 left but unfortunately a celebration pen had them KO from their own 20 & BC ret'd the KO to the 39. On the 1st play Whitworth broke off a 39 yd TD run w/4:57 left, 34-17. TU went 73 yds & had a 1st & goal at the 11, but their 2nd down pass was int'd.

Syracuse 43 BOSTON COLLEGE 17 - SU was w/o RB Reyes & Rhodes. They got a 69 yd TD run on gm's 1st play, but he also left w/inj. SU was then forced to use Saf Ferri at RB & he rushed for 141 yds on 28 carries & also had a 44 yd int ret for TD. SU was int'd & ret'd to the 14 & BC got a 31 yd FG, 7-3. SU went 44 yds for a TD, 14-3. SU went 68 yds for a TD, 21-3 & added a 33 yd FG. SU punted w/just :23 left & BC blk'd the punt & ret'd it for a TD. At the half SU had a 14-3 FD edge & 273-100 yd edge. SU got a 42 yd FG, 27-10. SU got a 35 yd FG. BC converted two 4th down's & got an 11 yd TD pass w/6:53 left. SU tacked on 2 TD's following BC turnovers for the final.