

2008 GAME RECAPS

MIAMI 52 Charleston Southern 7 - UM's 1st game in their new home, Dolphins Stadium and they drew just 48,119. UM took its 1st 3 drives 66/7pl, 43/9pl (after CS SOD) and 60/5pl for TD's, 21-0 after 1Q. CS fmbld the punt at its 14 setting up a TD in the 2Q, 28-0. UM got a 66 yd PR TD by Cooper early 3Q and two poss later CS drove 66/10pl for a TD, 35-7 (3:39). UM went 60/6pl for a TD, 47/11pl for a 22 yd FG and 49/7pl for a TD (2:33) and had a 416-146 yd edge.

FLORIDA 26 Miami 3 - UF only had a 123-81 yd edge in the 1H. They opened strong with a 35/5pl drive for a TD and forced a pair of 3 & outs but punted and UM went on a 42/16pl drive before settling for a 50 yd FG, 7-3 (12:51 2Q). UF blk'd a punt w/:47 left in the half for a safety and only led 9-3. Each team punted 2x to open the 3Q then UF went 86/12pl & 95/5pl for TD's. They had a 52 yd TD pass called back for illeg formation but after UM punted from its own 8 w/1:56 left, UF got a 31 yd PR to the 16 & the Gators got a 29 yd FG w/:25 left.

Miami 41 TEXAS A&M 23 - A&M on the 1st play got a screen pass to Goodson which he took 62 yds for a TD, 7-0. The rest of the game belonged to Miami as they 261 yds in the 1H and avg 6.98 yds per snap handing A&M its worst non-conf defeat at Kyle Field S/88. Miami went 59/4pl and 61/2pl for TD's, 14-7. A&M went 60/13pl for a 38 yd FG, 14-10. UM went 88/13pl for a 20 yd FG, 17-10 (8:22). UM after a 44 yd PR, started at the A&M41 w/:46 left and got a 26 yd TD pass w/:26 left. They had just a 261-225 yd edge but led 24-10. UM took its 2nd 3Q poss 83/11pl for a TD then after an int got a 15/1pl TD, 34-10. They then ret'd a fmbld 2 yds for a TD, 41-10 less than 1:00 later. A&M went 73/8pl for a TD, 41-17 and then 48/11pl for a TD, 41-23 (9:32).

N Carolina 28 MIAMI 24 - At the half UM had a 205-87 yd edge and led 17-7 and while they missed a 43 yd FG, they also tk'd NC's punter at the 11 setting up a 3rd & 9, 10 yd TD pass, 14-0. It was 17-7 1H. NC opened the 3Q with a 60/10pl drive for a TD. After each team punted twice, w/NC punting to the 1, UM went 37/7pl for a TD, 24-14 (9:49). NC got a 74 yd TD pass to Nicks w/9:00 left then got an int. They missed a 53 yd FG (3:50). NC forced a punt w/2:49 left and NC went 56/7pl for a TD w/:46 left. UM got to the NC20 but on 2nd & 10 a pass bounced off the receivers hands and was int'd in the EZ for a TB.

Florida St 41 MIAMI 39 - FSU dominated the 1H with a 272-52 yd edge but they took their 2nd poss 42/10pl for a TD and QB Ponder rushed for 144 yds to become the 1st FSU QB to top 100 S/92. FSU drove 89/7pl for a TD (10:08) and 77/9pl for a TD (3:24). They added a 53 yd FG w/1:03 left 1H, 24-0 and UM got a 28 yd FG gaining 41 of its 52 yds on the final drive of the half. FSU fmbld to open the 3Q and UM got an 18/1pl end-around to Benjamin, 24-10. FSU went 78/7pl for a TD, 31-10. UM went 31/13pl on a drive kept alive by a 3rd & 7 roughing the passer on an incomplete pass. They settled for a 29 yd FG, 31-13. FSU had a bad snap on a punt kicked out of the EZ for a safety. UM got a 51/1pl pass to Benjamin, 31-27. FSU went 58/11pl for a 35 yd FG, 34-22. UM went 51/10pl but was int'd at the 2 on 4th & 6. Two plays later FSU had a pass int'd and ret'd for a TD, 34-29. UM was held to a 24 yd FG, 34-32 (8:30). FSU went 81/9pl for a TD w/3:57 left and UM converted on 4th & 3, 4th & 2, 4th & 9 and 3rd & 11 on the final drive going 78/15pl for a TD w/:14 left.

MIAMI 20 Ucf 14 - UM dominated the 1H with a 168-42 yd, and a 2-1 TOP edge and UCF QB Calabrese hit just 4 of 18 but UM only led 10-7 as UCF got a 62 yd IR TD. UCF had 78 yds for the game but got another big play in the 2H. After a bad snap on a punt went for a safety (13:31), a muffed punt set up UM for a 5 yd TD, 20-7 (5:21). UM was forced to KO a 2nd time after a penalty and UCF ret'd it 90 yds for a TD. UCF had it at the UM36 but was SOD w/1:52 left on 4th & 4.

Miami 49 DUKE 31 - Duke had a 209-157 yd edge at the half and led 17-7 getting a 40 yd FG w/1:33 left but UM got back in the game with a 68/8pl drive for a TD by backup QB Harris, 17-14. UM was int'd and Duke drove 12 yd for a TD, 24-14. UM went 69/3pl to pull within 24-21. After 5 punts, UM went 60/5pl for a TD and the lead, 28-24 (2:52). Duke punted from its own 4 and UM drove 28 yds for a TD (:36 3Q). UM went 55/1pl for a TD, 42-24 and after Duke was SOD at its own 45 nine plays later UM got a TD, 49-24 (4:19). Duke went 64/12pl for a TD w/:12 left.

MIAMI 16 Wake Forest 10 - WF ran the ball on each of their 1st 22 plays and on the day rushed for 195 yds (came in avg 95 ypg, 2.6) but Skinner hit just 3 of 8 for 57 yds. WF took its opening drive 66/10pl for a TD. UM went 57/5 play for a 36 yd FG, 7-3. WF went 63/9pl but settled for a 24 yd FG, 10-3. At the half WF had a 184-110 yd edge and led 10-3. UM got a 40 yd KR and a pers foul to start the 3Q at the WF30 and nailed a 52 yd FG, 10-6. UM went 65/6pl for a TD, 13-10 (8:03). UM went 53/9pl but was SOD on 4th & 1 at the WF28. WF was sk'd and fmbld and UM, 7pl later, got a 43 yd FG, 16-10. WF went 45/11pl but missed a 40 yd FG, 5:53.

Miami 24 VIRGINIA 17 (OT) - UM fmbld a punt at its own 32 and UVA got a 23 yd FG, 3-0. UM went 86/10pl for a TD, 7-3. UVA went 75/5pl for a TD, 10-7 (4:21 1Q). UM nailed a 33 yd FG, 10-10 (9:23). UVA went 80/9pl for a TD, 17-10 (5:04). At the half UM had a 203-177 yd edge. The 3Q was scoreless w/several missed FG's. UM took over at its 5 w/8:01 left, went 95/14pl and got a 26 yd TD pass w/:55 left to tie it. UVA fmbld at the end of a FD at the UM32 w/:31 left and UM got 1 FD but missed a 51 yd FG. In OT, UM went 25/5pl for a TD and UVA gained 10 yds but fmbld and UM rec'd.

MIAMI 16 Virginia Tech 14 - This was a def struggle as UM was outFD'd 14-13 and outgained 250-247. At the half VT had a 191-133 yd edge but was SOD at the UM18 (11:13 1Q). UM drove 66/12pl for a TD. UM fmbld at the VT43 (13:48 2Q) and 2 poss later VT went 53/8pl for a TD, 7-7. VT got to the UM25 but a sk forced a 4th & 19 and their 51 yd FG was short. UM dominated the 3Q. UM went 66/9pl (21 yd'r), 21/7pl (31 yd'r) and 42/11pl (23 yd'r) for FG's, 16-7 (11:58 4Q). VT 2 poss later went 69/10pl for a TD w/3:28 left, 16-14 and forced a punt w/2:57 left but on 4th & 3 Taylor was sk'd for a 7 yd loss at his own 32.

GEORGIA TECH 41 Miami 23 - GT rushed for 472 yds, 2nd most ever allowed by UM. GT took its opening drive 82/10pl but settled for a 21 yd FG. GT got a 26 yd IR TD by M Johnson, 10-0. UM went 53/9pl but settled for a 24 yd FG, 10-3. GT got a 58/1pl TD run by Dwyer and on their next drive a 54 yd run by Nesbitt keyed a 75/5pl drive for a TD w/1:59 left 1H, 24-3. GT went 60/10pl for a 30 yd FG, 27-3 (10:10). UM went 66/7pl for a TD, 27-10 (7:46). GT went 73/7pl for a TD, 34-10 (4:08). UM was SOD on 4th & 1 (UM34) and 3 plays later GT got a 32 yd TD run, 41-10 after 3Q's. UM went 67/8pl for a TD (10:22). UM went 99/5pl for a garbage TD w/1:18 left.

NC STATE 38 Miami 28 - NCSt took its opening drive 96/10pl for a TD, 7-0. 2 punts. UM got a 69/1pl pass to Epps, 7-7 (3:50 1Q). NCSt was int'd and UM went 45/9pl for a TD, 14-7. NCSt went 64/6pl for a TD, 14-14. NCSt went 3 & out but roughing the K gave them a FD and they went 58/14pl for a 39 yd FG w/1:47 left 1H, 17-14. NCSt opened the 3Q with a 58/9pl drive but settled for a 24 yd FG, 20-14. UM went 64/7pl for a TD, 21-20 but NCSt went 73/3pl and a 32 yd TD pass and 2 pt conv, 28-21. UM went on a 6pl drive but was int'd and ret'd 28 yds to their 47. 2 punts. NCSt got a 42 yd FG w/8:57 left then UM went 42/10pl but was int'd and ret'd 40 yds to their 32. Five pl later NCSt clinched it with a TD, 38-21 (2:35). UM went 71/7pl for a TD (:42) and rec'd the onside K but was int'd at the 15.