

2008 GAME RECAPS

SOUTH CAROLINA 34 NC State 0 - The 1H was a def struggle as SC QB Beecher had 4 int's in the game and SC had the only score, a 29 yd FG 3-0. NCSt was int'd on the 2nd play of the 3Q and ret'd 10 yd to the 9. On 4th & goal Davis punched it in for a TD. Both starting QB's were inj'd. SC drove 34/9pl for a 46 yd FG, 13-0 after 3Q's. With both starters inj, SC QB Smelley, on the final 3 drives, led them 60/6pl, 69/5pl and 74/6pl (3:32) for TD's and the shutout win. SC had a 369-138 yd edge.

NC STATE 34 William & Mary 24 - NCSt had just 3 FD's in the 1H. They did get a 6 yd drive for a TD after rec a fmb, 7-0 after 1Q. WM had a 5-0 FD edge but they were int'd at the NCSt43 w/1:51 left 1H. Beck was in for his 2nd series replacing Evans, and led NCSt 55/5pl for a 22 yd TD pass w/34 left 1H. WM opened the 3Q with a 36/8pl drive for a 43 yd FG. NCSt went 77/6pl for a TD, 21-3. WM went 71/6pl for a TD and NCSt 57/10pl for a 39 yd FG, 24-10. After a fmb, NCSt went -3 yds for a 33 yd FG and then went 66/7pl for a TD to ice it, 34-10 (7:48). WM ret'd an int 45 yds for a TD and 77/11pl for a TD pass w/20 left.

CLEMSON 27 NC State 9 - On the 1st play of the game, NCSt got a 33 yd IR TD (xpng). CU went 76/9pl for a TD, 7-6. Two poss later CU went 62/8pl but settled for a 22 yd FG, 10-7 (10:39). CU went 59/2pl for a TD, 17-6 (8:03). Each punted on their next 2 poss. CU had a 230-92 yd edge 1H. NCSt went 73/13pl but settled for a 22 yd FG, 17-9 3Q. CU went 34/8pl for a 31 yd FG then got a key int at the 4 yd line w/9:28 left. CU went 96/13pl for a TD w/1:21 left. NCSt drove to the CU24 and CU got the int and it was ret'd 71 yds but he was tkl'd at the 29 yd line.

NC STATE 30 E Carolina 24 (OT) - EC came in as a possible BCS buster. NCSt on its 2nd poss brought Beck in at QB for 1 pass and he was int'd and ret'd 23 yds for a TD, 7-0. NCSt with Wilson at QB went 46/10pl for a TD, 7-7 (14:53). EC went 77/8pl for a TD and led 14-7 1H with a 169-153 yd edge. NCSt went 60/7pl and got a 20 yd TD pass to tie, 14-14. EC went 63/4pl for a TD, 21-14 (9:40 3Q). NCSt went 58/11pl for a 41 yd FG, 21-17. EC went 56/8pl settling for a 21 yd FG, 24-17 (4:27). NCSt ret'd the KO 44 yds and got a TD w/just 1:12 left to force OT. EC got 1 FD but fmb'd after a sk and NCSt got a 10 yd TD run.

USF 41 NC STATE 10 - NCSt was off an upset of #15 EC and USF dominated. In the 1H they had a 354-63 yd edge and it started to rain heavy mid-2Q and NCSt had a bad snap on a punt from its 27 go for a safety. After USF missed a 44 yd FG with a 23-3 lead, NCSt had a bad snap out of the shotgun on 2nd & 20 for another safety. NCSt was int'd at the USF11 and then went 84/11pl but was SOD at the 3 early 3Q. USF got a 44 yd FG then after an int a 36/6pl drive for a TD, both scores early 4Q, 41-10.

Boston College 38 NC STATE 31 - BC took its 2nd poss 61/6pl for a TD and QB Crane, who was benched the previous week threw for 428 yd and also rushed for 42. QB Wilson ret'd for NCSt and threw for 218. Each team drove for a long TD, 14-7 (4:10). BC went 56/6pl for a TD, 21-7. Graham ret'd the KO 100 yd for a TD, 21-14 after 1Q. BC fmb'd and NCSt settled for a 22 yd FG, 21-17 (3:45). At the half BC had a 277-119 yd edge. BC faked a P to open the 3Q and got a TD capping the 65/8pl drive, 28-17. BC went 85/16pl getting a 4th & 10, 27 yd pass to the 3 but settled for a FG on 4th & gl from the 1, 31-17. NCSt got a 61 yd TD pass on its 1st play (12:11). NCSt went 63/5pl for a TD to tie (3:33). BC went 70/7pl and Crane's 13 yd TD run w/22 left gave them the win.

Florida St 26 NC STATE 17 - Thurs night ESPN, FSU had a 28-14 FD edge and held the ball for 38:16-21:44. NCSt went 72/10pl for a 24 yd FG, 3-0. NCSt went 62/5pl for a TD, 10-0 (14:12). FSU went 50/8pl for a 37 yd FG then 74/18pl but settled for a 37 yd FG on the last play of the half, 10-6. FSU went 65/6pl for a TD early 3Q. NCSt got a 67 yd TD pass, 17-13 (14:51). FSU went 70/11pl for a TD and the lead (10:40) then went 35/10pl for a 44 yd FG, 23-17. NCSt was SOD at its own 29 and FSU got a 53 yd FG, 26-17 (1:53).

MARYLAND 27 NC State 24 - This was played in rain. The 1st 3 poss were all long drives for TD's and NCSt led 14-7. MD went 5pl for a 47 yd FG, 14-10 (11:57 2Q). NCSt fmb'd at its own 44 and 4pl later MD had a TD, 17-14. NCSt was pinned at its 1 and punted. MD fielded the punt at the NCSt39 but fmb'd and NCSt rec'd at the 50. They converted on 4th & 3 and went on a 39/14pl drive getting a 48 yd FG on the last play 1H, 17-17. MD went 67/4pl for a TD to open the 3Q. NCSt went 70/10pl for a TD, 24-24. Two poss later MD went 57/16pl. The drive was kept alive by a 4th & 17 roughing the P but MD missed a 39 yd FG (11:12). NCSt punted (4:50) and MD went 89/13pl getting a 20 yd FG w/06 left for the win.

NC State 27 DUKE 17 - NCSt took its opening drive 36/8pl for a 22 yd FG. Duke went 61/15pl but settled for a 28 yd FG, 3-3. NCSt got an 89 yd KR TD, 10-3. NCSt went 90/12pl for a TD, 17-3. Duke went 57/4pl for a TD, 17-10 (5:41). NCSt went 67/6pl for a 32 yd TD (2:59) and led 24-10 1H. The key play of the game happened when Duke went 85/15pl but after a 1st & gl at the 3 was stuffed on 4th & gl at the 1. They got a tipped pass which looked like an int for a TD but dropped it and Eugene got a 53 yd run to get NCSt out of the hole. NCSt went 49/7pl for a 32 yd FG, 27-10 after 3Q's. Duke went 52/9pl for a TD w/9:26 left.

NC STATE 21 Wake Forest 17 - NCSt went 67/12pl for a TD, 7-0. 2 punts. WF got a 2nd & 10, 64 yd TD pass, 7-7 (1:17). WF's next drive went 50/11pl but they were int'd at the 15 and NCSt drove 82/12pl for a TD w/1:39 left in the half, 14-7. WF went 69/7pl for a 7 yd TD pass w/04 left in the half to tie it at 14. WF was SOD at the NCSt17 and 2 poss later NCSt fmb'd at its own 13. WF got a 24 yd FG, 17-14 (:08 3Q). NCSt went 69/11pl for a TD w/10:17 left. WF punted w/8:58 left and 4:36 left they took over w/2:50 left at its 33. They got 1 FD and converted on 4th & 7 for a FD to midfield. After an other FD on 4th & 6 they were sk'd w/41 left at the NCSt29.

NC State 41 N CAROLINA 10 - NCSt got a season high 466 yds while holding NC to a season low 203. NCSt also had a 6-0 TO edge. NCSt had a low FG blk'd but a delay of game got them to rekick and they got a 39 yd FG, 3-0. NCSt went 97/11pl for a TD, 10-0 (14:20). NC went 43/10pl for a 37 yd FG, 10-3 (8:52). NCSt had a 186-110 yd edge 1H. NCSt drove 74/5pl for a TD. NC went 60/8pl for a TD. NCSt then went 69/10pl for a TD, 24-10. NCSt got a 20 yd TD pass, 31-10. NCSt went 62/10pl for a 32 yd FG, 34-10 (8:53). NC was int'd twice, the later ret'd 22 yds to the 2 and NCSt added a TD w/2:05 left on a 2 yd drive.

NC STATE 38 Miami, FI 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.