

# 2008 GAME RECAPS

**N CAROLINA 35 McNeese St 27** - NC fmb'l'd at the MS30 on its 2nd poss but got an 82 yd PR TD by Tate (3:09 1Q). Tate set a school rec w/397 all-purp yds. NC went 67/6pl for a TD, 14-0 (12:03 2Q). The game was then delayed 2 hrs due to weather. When they ret'd MS went 72/13pl for a TD (6:01) and got a 70 yd PR TD (4:56) to tie it at 14 1H. MS drove 50/11pl for a stunning lead, 20-14 3Q. Tate hauled in a 57 yd TD pass 1:00 later, 21-20. NC went 54/7pl and 90/5pl for TD's, 35-20 (4:20). MS went 79/6pl and got a 16 yd TD pass w/1:47 left.

**N Carolina 44 RUTGERS 12** - RU played better in the 1H than the score would indicate as they had a 206-179 yd edge. They took their 1st drive 56/8pl but settled for a 34 yd FG. RU was int'd at its own 32 and NC got a 43 yd FG, 3-3 (13:26 2Q). NC went 51/5pl for a TD, 10-3. RU went 67/12pl but settled for a 32 yd FG, 10-6 (5:10). NC got a 69 yd TD pass to Tate on the next play, 17-6 and RU got to the NC27 but was int'd at the goal line (1:44). RU punted to open the 3Q and NC went 49/5pl for a TD, got a 66 yd IR TD and drove 68/7pl for a TD to blow it open, 38-6 after 3Q's.

**Virginia Tech 20 N CAROLINA 17** - Tough loss for NC. They had a 199-79 yd edge 1H but missed a 35 yd FG, settled for a 27 yd FG and fmb'l'd at their own 8 setting up a VT6 yd drive for a FG and only led 10-3. NC had a 9pl drive early 3Q but Yates was int'd at the VT27 and after 2 sk they punted 42 yds to the 7. Yates was inj'd and bkup Paulus hit just 3 of 8 for 23 yds w/2 int. NC got a 1 play, 50 yd TD run, 17-3 (6:44 3Q). VT converted on 4th & 1 then had a 3rd & 10 incomplete pass wiped out by a pen and drove 89/13pl for a TD, 17-10 (1:09). VT went 30/5pl for a TD, 17-17. After a 17 yd PR and 13 yd pers foul, VT started at the NC44 and drove 1 yd for a 45 yd FG and the lead, 20-17.

**N Carolina 28 MIAMI, FL 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'l'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, with 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/2:46 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.

**N CAROLINA 38 Connecticut 12** - CT had a 378-263 yd edge but NC blk'd 3 punts and got an IR TD. Both went on long drives but settled for a short FG's, 3-3 (2:44 1Q). CT was int'd and ret'd 24 yds to its 15 and NC got a TD 3pl later, 10-3. NC's Carter blk'd a punt and they rec'd it for a TD, 17-3. CT had a 169-107 yd edge 1H. CT opened the 3Q going 68/11pl for a 31 yd FG. NC drove 57/3pl for a TD, 24-6 then got a 23 yd IR TD, 31-6 (4:09). After an 8 yd punt NC went 39/7pl for a TD, 38-6. CT went 85/11pl for a TD, 38-12 (9:23).

**N CAROLINA 29 Notre Dame 24** - ND had a 472-322 yd edge but a 5-0 TO deficit. ND appeared in control in the 1H driving 82/11pl for a TD on their opening drive. NC went 54/7pl for a 41 yd FG, 7-3. ND went 63/10pl for a 41 yd FG, 10-3 and NC went 58/14pl for a 34 yd FG, 10-6 (5:22). ND went 80/8pl for a TD with just :52 left 1H, 17-6 but NC got a 42 yd FG w/:09 left 1H. The 3Q opened up with an NC 32 yd IR TD on the 1st play. ND went on a 72/11pl drive that was kept alive by a roughing the K and the TD made it 24-16. NC went 69/13pl for a TD, 24-22 (2ptng). ND was sk'd and fmb'l'd on a FD at midfield and NC went 42 yds for a TD, 29-24. ND was SOD at the NC23, int'd at the NC15 and on their final drive, fmb'l'd at the NC19 w/:02 left.

**VIRGINIA 16 N Carolina 13 (OT)** - NC led this almost start to finish. They took its opening drive 83/10pl for a TD. Two poss later NC was int'd at the 50 and ret'd 37 yds. At the half NC had a 174-59 yd edge but only led 7-0. NC was int'd at its own 34 to open the 3Q and UVA got a 37 yd FG 6pl later. NC fmb'l'd at the 45 but the Cavs, 2pl later, had a 39 yd FG blk'd. The next 4poss were punts. NC started at its 6 w/10:24 left. They converted on 3rd & 11 for a FD and would cont on a 70/14pl drive that ate up 8:02 but they settled for a 40 yd FG, 10-3 (2:22). UVA went 82/9pl and got a TD w/:47 left. The xp was partially blk'd but got over the crossbar. NC settled for a 28 yd FG and UVA got a TD for the win.

**N CAROLINA 45 Boston College 24** - BC took its opening drive 58/12pl for a 35 yd FG and then got a sk and fmb'l which they ret'd 13 yds for a TD 3pl later, 10-0. Two poss later NC went 48/6pl for a TD then 22/6pl for a 32 yd FG, 10-10. After an int on 3rd & 6, NC got a 40 yd TD pass, 17-10 (2:17). BC went 67/6pl for a TD, 17-17. NC got a 43 yd TD pass 4pl later and led 24-17 at the half. NC got a 38 yd IR by Burney to the 1 setting up a TD, 31-17 (10:00). After 4 punts NC got a 51 yd IR TD, 38-17 (14:50). NC then went 66/10pl for a TD w/7:02 left, 45-17. BC went 66/12pl for a garbage TD w/2:04 left.

**N CAROLINA 28 Georgia Tech 7** - NC took its opening drive 66/9pl for a TD incl conv on 4th & inches at its own 43, 7-0. 2 punts. GT was SOD at the NC45 on 4th & 3 (2:16). NC was SOD at the GT40 and GT was SOD at the NC38 (12:37). GT went 64/12pl but missed a 40 yd FG (5:34). NC got 1 FD & punted (2:44) and GT went 46/10pl but missed a 52 yd FG (:02). At the half GT had a 173-123 yd edge. GT went 50/12pl but pooch punted after lining up for a 47 yd punt and went 30 yds for a TB (3:01). GT fmb'l'd a punt at its own 30 and NC got a TD 6pl later. GT fmb'l'd after a sk at its 32 and NC got a TD 5pl later, 21-0. GT got an 85 yd TD run by Dwyer w/6:00 left, 21-7 but NC rec'd the onside kick and on 4th & 1 got a 31 yd TD pass, 28-7 (4:11). NC was SOD at the GT23 w/1:34 left and GT gained 47 yds on its final drive.

**MARYLAND 17 N Carolina 15** - MD beat its 4th ranked team on the year. A bad snap on a punt went for a safety for NC 2:00 in and after the free kick, NC got a 38 yd FG after a 7pl drive, 5-0. MD went 76/9pl for a TD, 7-5 but NC got a 59 yd TD pass, 12-7. MD went 80/13pl for a TD, 14-12 (13:46). Two poss later NC went 33/5pl for a 28 yd FG, 15-13 (4:16). NC had a 180-177 yd edge 1H. NC went 70/7pl but a 28 yd FG hit the upright which would have put them up by 4 (2:02 3Q). MD took over w/10:33 left and went on an almost 9:00 driving 18 play and covering 73 yds conv a 4th & 5 and their 26 yd FG put them up w/1:42 left.

**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.

**N Carolina 28 DUKE 20** - Duke opened with a 63/5pl drive for a TD. NC went 73/10pl for a TD, 7-7. Duke went 37/9pl but missed a 52 yd FG. NC fmb'l'd and Rey ret'd it 36 yds for a TD on the next play, 14-7. NC went 38/6pl for a TD, 14-14. Two poss later NC went 80/16pl for a TD, 21-14 (4:28). Duke went on a 12pl drive and got a career long 55 yd FG on the final play of the half, 21-17. NC punted to open the 3Q and Duke went 71/11pl for a 27 yd FG, 21-20. NC went 67/6pl for a TD, 28-20. NC was SOD at the Duke27, missed a 23 yd FG (8:18). Two poss later, Duke fmb'l'd at its own 46 (2:43). NC went 3 & out punting 16 yd to the 20 (2:27). Duke went 65/11pl but on 4th & 6 from the 17 was int'd at the 4 and ret'd 17 yds.