

2008 GAME RECAPS

† **East Carolina 27 Virginia Tech 22** - (Charlotte). EC became the 1st in the 13 year history of CUSA to win B2B gms over nationally ranked tms. EC had a 19-12 FD edge and 369-243 yd edge. EC fmbld and VT ret'd it 32 yds for a TD. EC fmbld the ensuing KO and VT drove 25 yds for a TD. EC went on a 70/9pl drive but missed a 39 yd FG. VT was int'd and ret'd 20 yds to the 1 and EC got a TD w/1:16 left in the half, 14-7. EC opened the 3Q with a 61/9pl drive for a TD (xp blk'd) & instead of being tied at 14, they trailed 16-13. VT went 68/3 pl for a TD, 22-13 (xpng, 14:56). EC went 73/9pl for a TD, 22-20 (3:36). EC blk'd a punt and ret'd it 30 yds for a TD w/1:52 left.

VIRGINIA TECH 24 Furman 7 - In the 1H VT had just 151 yds off and was SOD on its opening drive of 55/10pl at the FU5. On the next 9 poss there were 8 punts and VT was int'd at the FU39. On their final drive of the half, VT took over w/8:57 left and went 74/13pl for a 22 yd FG, 3-0. VT took their opening 3Q poss 64/6pl for a TD then got 31 & 9 yd drives for TD's after TO's on their next 2 poss to break it open, 24-0. FU went on a 10 pl drive but had a 33 yd FG blk'd. Two poss later They went 72/6pl for a TD w/6:02 left. FU was SOD at the VT 49 w/1:19 left.

VIRGINIA TECH 20 Georgia Tech 17 - GT opened with a 6pl drive but fumbled at the VT32. Their next drive went 56/10pl but settled for a 32 yd FG (4:35). VT went 80/13pl for a TD, 7-3 (13:01). Two poss later GT went 52/4pl for a TD and the lead, 9-7 (3:44, xp blk'd). GT fmbld w/just 1:10 left in the half and VT went 43/7pl for a TD, 14-9 (:10). GT had a 175-138 yd edge at the half. After an int on GT's 2nd poss, VT drove 50/11pl for a 25 yd FG, 17-9 (13:58 4Q). GT went 81/9pl for a TD (2pt), 17-17. VT went 76/11pl for a 21 yd FG, 20-17 (4:40).

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 fmbld at their own 8 setting up a VT 6 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.

Virginia Tech 35 NEBRASKA 30 - VT blk'd a punt for a safety and then got an IR 15 yds to the NU5 setting up a short TD, 9-0 (5:22). NU went 68/3pl for a TD but VT 54/10pl settling for a 19 yd FG, 12-7. NU went 44/9pl for a 49 yd FG and VT 59/9pl for a 38 yd FG, 15-10 (7:10). VT went 66/9pl for a 27 yd FG w/1:15 left 1H, 18-10. VT opened the 3Q with a 61/9pl and 33/3pl drives, the 1st for a 38 yd FG, the 2nd after a 20 yd PR for a 19 yd TD run, 28-10 (6:54). NU went on a 75/12pl drive for a TD. VT was stopped on 3rd & 4 but a pers foul and unsportsmanlike pen on Pelini moved the ball ahead 26 yds to the 10 and VT got a TD 3 plays later, 35-23 (2:28). NU went 80/4pl for a TD (1:32). VT rec'd the onside kick and punted (:25) and NU10 got to the VT 40 but fmbld w/:05 left.

VIRGINIA TECH 27 Wku 13 - VT took its opening poss 46/11pl for a 27 yd FG. They went 66/7pl for a TD. WK faked a punt and got a 46 yd pass to the 35 and would get a 48 yd FG, 10-3. VT went 61/10pl but fmbld at the WK11. After a 32 yd PR, VT went 38/8pl. On 4th & gl from the 1, VT got a TD then an int 2 plays later was ret'd 49 yd to the 5 and they added a 22 yd FG for 10 pts in the final :25 in 1H, 20-3. VT opened the 3Q with a 72/10pl drive for a TD, 27-3 (10:39). WK went 73/9pl for a 24 yd FG, 27-6 then rec'd an onside kick and went 53/8pl for a TD, 27-13 (11:58).

BOSTON COLLEGE 28 Virginia Tech 23 - VT had a 5-1 TD edge, 2 IR TD's and had a 30 yd FG off a fmbld KO and STILL lost this 28-23. VT jumped out to a 10-0 lead with a 36 yd IR TD and after BC fmbld a KO, got a 30 yd FG. BC went 83/13pl for a TD. BC got a 65 yd PR TD, 14-10 (9:08 2Q). BC went 54/3pl for a TD, 21-10. VT got a 55 yd IR TD, 21-17 (1:39) but BC went 75/5pl for a TD, 28-17 (:27). At the half BC had a 245-105 yd edge. After an exchange of int, BC had a 39 yd FG blk'd. VT went 43/12pl for a 45 yd FG, 28-20. BC fmbld at its own 39 but VT was SOD on 4th & 1. VT went 29/12pl but on 4th & 14 settled for a 45 yd FG w/6:32 left. BC got 3 FD's punting 40/11pl finally being SOD at the VT29 (1:08).

FLORIDA ST 30 Virginia Tech 20 - VT had a 205-75 yd edge in the 1H. They lost their starting QB Taylor on the game's 1st play and Glennon would QB the 1st 3Q's until he was inj'd. FSU punted from its own 3 & VT got a 16 yd PR to the FSU29 setting up a 41 yd FG. They then drove 64/7pl for a TD and led 10-0 after 1Q. FSU went 58/4pl for a TD, 10-7 (12:40). VT fmbld at its own 46 and FSU, 6pl later got a 50 yd FG, 10-10 (9:33). VT went 66/13pl for a 20 yd FG on the last play of the half, 13-10. FSU went 71/8pl for a TD and the lead, 17-13 (6:05). FSU went 45/5pl for a TD, 24-13. VT fmbld the KO and FSU, 6pl later, added a 29 yd FG, 27-13. 3rd string QB Holt led a 46/8pl drive for a 44 yd TD, 27-20 (8:26). FSU went 40/10pl for a 46 yd FG w/2:14 left.

VIRGINIA TECH 23 Maryland 13 - VT went 71/11 pl for a TD for the only 1Q score, 7-0. MD went 56/9 pl but settled for a 41 yd FG while 7-3 (13:36 2Q). Two poss later VT got a 50 yd run by Evans on the 1st play and went 80/8pl for a TD, 14-3 (3:48). MD punted (2:39) and VT went 47/11pl for a 35 yd FG and led 17-3 1H with a 191-135 yd edge. MD was sk'd and fmbld on the 1st play of the 3Q. VT rec'd at their 18 and got a 30 yd FG, 20-3. 2 punts. MD went 98/6pl for a 63 yd TD pass to Heyward-Bey on a screen, 20-10 (6:43). MD partially blk'd the punt but on 3rd & 9 from the VT34 was sk'd and punted. VT fmbld the punt at its own 11 but MD settled for a 27 yd FG. VT went 33/11pl for a 27 yd FG, 23-13 (7:30).

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, 21/7pl for a 21 and 31 yd FG's then 42/11pl for a 23 yd FG, 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.

VIRGINIA TECH 14 Duke 3 - The key story here was that Duke QB Lewis was out and Zack Asack hit just 2 of 9 passes for 20 yds w/4 int. Duke had just 6 FD's but VT was far from impressive. Duke led 3-0 when VT took over w/3:02 left in the half and went 86/11pl for a TD and a 7-3 lead. After 8 punts to open the 3Q, Duke was int'd at the VT19 w/4:09 left threatening to take the lead. VT punted and Duke was int'd and ret'd 23 yds for a TD w/1:23 left, 14-3. Duke was int'd on their final play.

VIRGINIA TECH 17 Virginia 14 - UVA opened with a 71/6pl drive and 5'9" Vick Hall who was making his 1st start for UVA got a 40 yd TD run, 7-0. VT answered with a 65/13pl drive for a TD. VT then went 63/19pl but settled for a 22 yd FG and missed it. Two poss later UVA went 62/6pl and Hall's 15 yd TD run made it 14-7 (3:24). VT went 59/14pl but was int'd in the EZ w/:36 left in the half on 3rd & 10 from the 18. VT went 85/5pl for a TD to open the 3Q and then went 72/13pl but was SOD at the 5. 3 punts. VT went 38/11pl but settled for a 28 yd FG, 17-14 (6:37). VA drove to the VT25 but was int'd in the EZ w/2:15 left.

† **Virginia Tech 30 Boston College 12** - (Tampa Bay). BC did have a 162-152 yd edge at the half but VT took its 2nd poss 61/10pl for a TD. VT 2 poss later went 51/7pl for a TD, 14-0. VT was int'd and BC46 got 1 FD and appeared to have a TD pass to Gunnell but he was hit from behind and fmbld into the EZ for a TB. BC did go 56/3pl for a TD on their next drive, 14-7 (1:29). VT took its 2nd 3Q poss 51/10pl for a 50 yd FG, 17-7 (2 punts). BC was int'd and ret'd 35 yds to the 10 and Evans got a TD on the next play, 24-7 (1:17). VT fmbld at its own 30 and BC got a 24 yd FG, 24-10 (12:59) but VT got a 17 yd FR TD w/9:05 left and BC was int'd at the VT1 and SOD at the VT33 on their final 3 poss.