

2003 GAME RECAPS

MICHIGAN ST 26 W Mich 21-MSU got a 49 yd TD pass. After an exchange of int's WM got a 46 yd TD pass. MSU missed a 35 yd FG but then got a 59 yd TD pass. WM answered with a 77 yd TD drive, 14-14. MSU got a 49 yd FG then following an int, MSU drove 56 yds for a TD & led 23-14 (xpng). WM got a 34 yd PR but missed a 51 yd FG. MSU got a 31 yd FG & was int'd at the WM 10. WM drove 78 yds for a TD with :30 left.

MICHIGAN ST 44 Rutgers 28-RU got a 65 yd TD pass. MSU got a 52 yd TD pass and RU was SOD at the MSU 35. RU got a 63 yd pass to key a 90 yd TD drive. MSU got a 62 yd TD pass to tie it at 14. RU got a 61 yd int ret for a TD. MSU scored the next 30 pts. They got a 94 yd KR TD, 67 yd TD drive and 38 yd FG and led 31-21 at the half. MSU added a 29 yd int ret TD and 30 and 24 yd FG's to lead 44-21. With their 3rd string QB in MSU fmbld at their own 30 and RU got a TD with 5:09 left.

LA Tech 20 MICHIGAN ST 19-MSU drove 56 yds but missed a 45 yd FG and then drove 89 yds for a TD. LT had a short pass turn into a 76 yd TD. MSU got 51 & 49 yd FG's but then missed a 34 yd FG. LT was int'd in the EZ from the MSU 27 with :27 left 1H. LT missed a 44 yd FG and MSU missed a 51 yd'r. MSU got FG's from 37 and 30 yds to lead 19-7 with 6:10 left. LT was SOD at the MSU 31 with 2:59 left. After a punt, LT went 74 yds for a TD with 1:09 left and rec'd the onside kick. On 3rd & 10 LT got an 11 yd TD pass with :02 left for a shocking upset.

Michigan St 22 NOTRE DAME 16-MSU nailed a 51 yd FG. There were 3 TO's before ND got a 35 yd FG to tie it. ND got a 29 yd FG after a 47 yd PR but MSU, after a 26 yd punt, tied it again with a 30 yd FG. MSU had a FD at the ND 7 but was int'd and it went to the half, 6-6. ND fmbld at the MSU 34. Later the Spartans got a 71 yd TD run by Hayes, 13-6. After an ND 30 yd FG, the Spartans drove for a 31 yd FG. MSU then ret'd an int 40 yds for a TD, 22-9. ND drove 85 yds under QB Quinn for a TD with 2:29 left. MSU rec'd the onside kick and ran out the clock.

MICHIGAN ST 20 Iowa 10-MSU drove 80 yds for a TD and then after a fmbld drove 41 yds for a TD, 14-0. Iowa drove 80 yds for a TD. The D's then took over. MSU rec'd a fumble on a sk and ret'd it to the Iowa 25 which led to a 23 yd FG with :19 left 2Q, 17-7. Iowa opened the 3Q with a 74 yd drive for a 22 yd FG. The next 6 poss ended with 6 punts. MSU drove 74 yds for a 20 yd FG but neither team would threaten after that.

MICHIGAN ST 31 Indiana 3-MSU drove 60 & 66 yds for TD's. IU drove 73 yds but settled for a 21 yd FG, 14-3 at the half. MSU got a 49 yd FG and after IU fmbld, drove 80 yds for a TD and a 24-3 lead. IU was sk'd on 4th & 6 at the MSU 24 and MSU later went 71 yds for a TD. IU went 73 yds but was SOD on 4th & goal. MSU ran out the final 3:00.

Mich St 49 ILLINOIS 14-IL missed a 49 yd FG and then each team put together a long TD drive, 7-7. MSU ret'd an int to the 2 setting up a TD on 4th & 1 to lead 14-7. The Spartans added a 68 yd TD drive, and then IL missed a 51 yd FG on the 1H's final play. MSU drove 93 yds for a TD, got a 12 yd TD drive after an int and drove 55 yds for a TD after IL was SOD. The Spartans added a 53 yd fmbld return for a TD. IL drove 89 yds in 16 plays for a TD with 1:05 left.

Michigan St 44 MINNESOTA 38-Minny fmbld the opening KO and MSU drove 36 yds for a TD. MSU then drove 68 & 61 yds for a TD and a FG. Minny went on a 74 yd drive for a FG and an 91 yd TD drive, 17-10. MSU rec'd a fmbld and drove 40 yds for a TD but Minny drove 80 yds for a TD with :37 left 1H. MSU ret'd the ensuing KO 100 yds for a TD, rec'd a Gopher fmbld and nailed a 50 yd FG on the 1H's final play for a shocking 34-17 lead. MSU nailed a 52 yd FG. Minny drove 78 yds for a TD but later was SOD on 4th & 6 at the MSU 33. MSU got a 60 yd TD run with 6:47 left, 44-24. Minny then drove 63 and 97 yds for TD's, the latter with 2:02 left. MSU rec'd the onside kick and ran out the clock.

Michigan 27 MICHIGAN ST 20-UM got a TD early 2Q while MSU settled for a 20 yd FG. UM got a 40 yd TD pass, 13-3 (xpng) at the half. MSU was stuffed on a fake punt and UM drove 64 yds for a TD. MSU got a 73 yd TD pass to Shabaj. UM would go 66 yds for a TD, 27-10. After MSU got a huge KR to the 39 they hit a 31 yd FG. UM was at the MSU 22 threatening to put the game away when Navarre fmbld and Dukes ret'd it 65 yds for a TD with 6:12 left, 27-20. On their last poss MSU got to midfield but their Hail Mary pass was int'd.

OHIO ST 33 Michigan St 23-MSU drove 95 yds for a TD and OSU drove 52 yds for a 44 yd FG. MSU was int'd & ret'd 66 yds setting up OSU for a 28 yd TD drive, 10-7. OSU added 60 yd TD drive. MSU drove 51 yds for a 48 yd FG and trailed 17-10 at the half. OSU opened the 3Q with an 80 yd TD drive, but MSU ret'd the KO 93 yds for a TD, 24-17. OSU drove 72 and 55 yds but settled for 24 & 42 yd FG's. Later OSU went 50 yds but settled for an 18 yd FG, 33-17. MSU then drove 64 yds for a TD with 3:21 left (xpng). OSU rec'd the onside kick and finished at the MSU 5.

WISCONSIN 56 Michigan St 21-UW WR Evans set a school record with 258 yds rec and tied a B10 record with 5 TD's. Evans got a 75 yd TD rec, 21-0 but the Spartans ret'd a KO 59 yds to set up a 25 yd TD drive. UW got an 81 yd drive for a TD and led 28-7 at the half with a 359-129 yd edge. They extended it to 56-14 pulling their starters with 13:11 left.

MICHIGAN ST 41 Penn St 10-MSU missed a 54 yd FG and PSU drove 52 yds for a 29 yd FG, 3-0. A small pass turned into an 80 yd TD for MSU's Brown, 7-3. MSU drove 68 yds for a TD and added a 94 yd TD drive with 2:29 left 1H, 21-3. MSU converted on a fake punt to key a 56 yd TD drive. MSU blk'd a punt and drove 46 yds for a TD. After PSU fmbld a punt, MSU missed a 37 yd FG. PSU was int'd and a 34 yd return set up MSU for a 6 yd TD drive. PSU then drove 80 yds for a TD with :11 left.