

# 2004 GAME RECAPS

**MINNESOTA 63 Toledo 21** - UM rolled up 704 yds, the 2nd most in school history. UM took its starting RB's out at the half leading 42-7. In the 3Q they added a 51 & 80 yd TD drives and a Wheelwright TD rec after a fmb. UT would add 2 garbage time TD's.

**MINNESOTA 37 Illinois St 21** - ISU went on a 45 yd drive that included a 38 yd TD pass. UM went on a 72 yd TD drive to tie it. ISU was int'd at the UM 31. ISU went on a 38 yd drive but missed a 43 yd FG. UM quickly went 74 yds for a TD, 14-7. ISU went 54 yds and a 22 yd TD pass tied it with 1:09 left in the 1H. UM answered with a 57 yd TD drive with :19 left, 20-14 (xpng). UM nailed a 40 yd FG and then Maroney ripped off an 80 yd TD run. UM added an 80 yd TD pass to Wheelwright to blow it open, 37-14. ISU was int'd at the UM 40. The Gophers fmbld at the 7 and ISU went 66 yds for a TD. ISU was SOD with 3:45 left. ISU attempted a 34 yd FG on the game's final play but missed it.

**Minnesota 34 COLORADO ST 16** - UM controlled the line of scrimmage rushing for 174 yds in the 1Q. UM opened with an 80 yd TD drive and Marion Barber III ran for a career high 203 yds. CSU went 64 yds and nailed a 48 yd FG, 7-3. Barber then ripped off a 61 yd TD run, 14-3. CSU was int'd at the UM 27. The Gophers would go 55 yds nailing a 36 yd FG. CSU was int'd & 8 plays later UM tacked on another TD, 24-3. CSU went 71 yds with a 26 yd TD pass with 1:26 left in the 1H. UM went 45 yds but missed a 52 yd FG on the half's final play. CSU opened the 3Q with a 46 yd drive but was SOD at the UM 39. Six plays later the Gophers tacked on a TD, 31-10. CSU went 68 yds but settled for a 37 yd FG. UM's Cupito was inj'd and Ernst QB'd the rest of the game. CSU went 51 yds but settled for a 27 yd FG, 31-16. CSU was int'd & ret'd 19 yds but UM missed a 47 yd FG. CSU fmbld at their own 35. UM got a 28 yd run by Barber but settled for a 19 yd FG. CSU went on a 35 yd drive but was SOD on 4th & 2 with 1:41 left.

**MINNESOTA 43 Northwestern 17** - NW went 43 yds and nailed a 30 yd FG. UM went 80 yds and Maroney's 50 yd TD run made it 7-3. After UM went 48 yds for a TD, Backes ret'd the KO 97 yds for a TD, 14-10. UM went 70 yds for a TD and then added a 50 yd TD pass to Hamilton, 27-10 (xp blk'd). After pinning NW at the 4, Basanez was int'd at the 12. UM punched it in for a TD, 33-10 (xp blk'd). NW got a 23 yd run by Herron down to the UM 39 but was SOD on 4th & 3 with 1:02 left in the 2Q. NW opened the 3Q with a 65 yd TD drive. Basanez appeared to fmb before going into the EZ on his 15 yd TD run but it was not reviewed. Malleo came in at QB for NW. UM went 41 yds and nailed a 46 yd FG, 36-17. UM went 87 yds and got a TD with 2:59 left on a drive that ate up 10:13.

**MINNESOTA 16 Penn St 7** - UM onside kicked to open the game for the 2nd year in a row vs PSU and drove 41 yds for a 21 yd FG. UM went 86 yds and on 4th & 1 got a TD. UM got to the PSU 29 but was int'd. PSU missed a 52 yd FG with 1:03 left in the 1H. In the 3Q UM opened with a 78 yd TD drive, 16-0 (xp blk'd). PSU fmbld on their next play at the 33 but UM's 41 yd FG was blk'd. PSU went 52 yds for a TD. UM got a 57 yd drive but a 44 yd FG was blk'd. PSU went 48 yds and had a FD at the 17 but was int'd in the EZ with 3:33 left. After getting the ball back PSU got to the UM 33 and ran out of time.

**MICHIGAN 27 Minnesota 24** - Both were ranked for a game in Ann Arbor for the first time S/'49. Mich went 65 yds for a TD. UM went 47 yds but was SOD on 4th & 3 at the Mich 31. Mich settled for a 38 yd FG and a 10-0 lead. UM's Maroney raced 80 yds for a TD. Mich quickly answered with a 76 yd TD drive. UM went 80 yds for a TD, 17-14 at the half. Mich's Henne was int'd at the UM 18. Later UM got a 27 yd TD pass, 21-17. Mich drove 45 yds but was int'd in the EZ. Mich fmbld a PR at their own 9 which set up UM for a 27 yd FG. Mich went 68 yds for a 29 yd FG, 24-20. Mich drove 87 yds and got a 31 yd TD pass with 1:57 left. UM was SOD on 4th & 2 at its own 30.

**MICHIGAN ST 51 Minnesota 17** - MSU opened with a 43 yd TD drive. MSU then went 83 yds with a 25 yd TD pass to Knott. After a MSU int, UM nailed a 37 yd FG. MSU got a Teague 41 yd TD run, 21-3. UM's Wheelwright had a 58 yd TD rec. MSU got a 36 yd TD pass to Knott. After a MSU fmb UM was SOD at the 9. MSU went 70 yds but was int'd. UM drove 53 yds but was SOD on 4th & 2 at the MSU 31. MSU went 64 yds and nailed a 22 yd FG on the 1H's final play, 31-10. MSU went 66 yds for a TD. UM was int'd at their own 29 & MSU nailed a 23 yd FG. MSU nailed a 37 yd FG. UM got a 35 yd TD pass to Wheelwright. MSU got a 56 yd TD pass to Love. UM was int'd at the MSU 33. UM was SOD at the MSU 43 & MSU ran out the clock.

**MINNESOTA 45 Illinois 0** - Bower was the surprise starter but IL was shutout for the 1st time since Oct 31, 1998. UM went 76 yds and hit a 34 yd FG. UM went 96 yds and a Barber 44 yd TD run made it 10-0. Pazan came in at QB for IL but was int'd with 2:04 left in the 2Q. UM went 56 yds for a TD with :58 left, 17-0. Bower ret'd in the 3Q and drove IL 70 yds but a 27 yd FG hit the left upright. UM scored 3 3Q TD's on 80 and 88 yd drives and a Hamilton 82 yd rec, 38-0. Pazan was sk'd & fmbld and UM tacked on a TD with 12:05 left.

**INDIANA 30 Minnesota 21** - UM went 60 & 67 yds for TD's. After UM got a FD at the 50 on 3rd & 20, the game's key play happened when UI ret'd an int 42 yds for a TD, 14-6 (xpng). Indy, with momentum, went 63 yds for a TD, 14-12 (2 ptng). UM was SOD on a fake punt on 4th & 1 at their own 45. UI later went 52 yds for a TD with :39 left in the 1H, 20-14. UI went 53 yds for a 23 yd FG. UM answered with an 80 yd TD drive, 23-21. UM went 56 yds but was SOD on 4th & 9 at the UI 32. UI went 68 yds for a TD early in the 4Q. UI ran out the clock finishing at the UM 11.

**WISCONSIN 38 Minnesota 14** - UW dominated with a 205-31 yd edge in the 1H. Stocco threw for a career high 297 yds and Davis added 124 rushing. UW jumped to a 21-0 1Q lead. UM punted & UW went 65 yds for a TD. UW went 65 yds but Stocco missed a wide open rec in the EZ & UW settled for a 41 yd FG, 31-0. UM went 80 yds for a TD. UW moved to the UM 26 but settled for a 38 yd FG which they missed. At the half, UW had an 18-6 FD edge and 379-146 yd edge. UM opened the 3Q with a 73 yd TD drive, 31-14. UW answered with an 80 yd TD drive.

**Iowa 29 MINNESOTA 27** - Iowa fans made up half of the sellout crowd of 64,719. UM was int'd and ret'd to the 44 and Iowa nailed a 36 yd FG. UM went on a 72 yd drive but settled for a 25 yd FG. Iowa went 76 yds for a TD twice converting on 3rd & long, 10-3. After a 35 yd PR, Iowa started at the UM 40. They got a 34 yd pass but settled for a 22 yd FG. UM was int'd at their own 35 & Iowa nailed a 20 yd FG, 16-3. UM's Maroney ran 79 yds for a TD. Iowa's 60 yd TD pass put them up 23-10. On a HB option UM's Barber was int'd at the 33. In the 3Q UM went 55 yds but settled for a 20 yd FG. UM later went 61 yds with Maroney's 37 yd TD run making it 23-20. Iowa went 60 yds for a 38 yd FG, 26-20. UM got to the 44 before Barber fmbld. Iowa hit a 49 yd FG, 29-20. UM went 73 yds for a TD w/4:48 left. UM got it back and after getting to the 33 went conservative setting up for the FG. Lloyd's 51 yd FG was wide left w/:28 left.