

2004 GAME RECAPS

TCU 48 Northwestern 45 (2OT) - TCU opened with an 80 yd TD drive, 6-0 (xpng). NW missed a 45 yd FG. TCU fmbld on their own 23 but NW missed a 31 yd FG. TCU got an 82 yd TD pass, 14-0 (2 pt good), NW went 75 yds for a TD but TCU got a 40 yd TD pass, 21-7. NW went 79 yds for a TD and TCU went 68 yds for a TD, 28-14. NW went 58 yds but missed a 27 yd FG w/18 left in the 1H. NW was int'd but a penalty gave them a FD & they went 55 yds for a 41 yd FG. TCU went 65 yds hitting a 37 yd FG, 31-17. NW got a 63 yd TD pass and a Herron 16 yd TD run to tie it. NW was SOD at the TCU 32 and TCU went 68 yds for a TD. Basanez hit Fields with a 69 yd TD pass to tie it. NW got to the TCU 32 but Godbolt int'd & ret'd it 29 yds. TCU got a TD w/3:00 left, 45-38. Basanez converted on 4th & 3 as NW went 73 yds with a TD pass w/09 left. In OT NW missed a 24 yd FG but TCU's FG attempt was blk'd. In the 2nd OT TCU hit a 47 yd FG but NW missed a 38 yd FG, K Huffman's 5th miss of the day.

Arizona St 30 NORTHWESTERN 21 - A 34 yd PR to the NW 25 set ASU up for a 20 yd FG. NW drove 80 yds for a TD. NW was stopped on a fake punt setting up an ASU 47 yd TD pass. ASU went 69 yds for a TD w/1:31 left in the 2Q, 17-7. NW was SOD at the ASU 27 and ASU went 72 yds for a TD. NW went 88 yds for a TD and rec'd an onside kick at the ASU 44. Five plays later NW had another TD, 24-21. ASU ret'd the KO to the 46 and drove for a 41 yd FG, 27-21. ASU later missed a 47 yd FG. NW got to the 24 but fmbld. ASU went on an 81 yd drive for a FG w/1:19 left. NW got to the ASU 24 but ran out of time.

NORTHWESTERN 20 Kansas 17 - NW missed a 48 yd FG. NW blk'd a punt which set up a 23 yd 2Q FG. KU hit a 27 yd FG w/5:28 left in the 1H. KU missed a 48 yd FG w/13 left, 3-3 at the half. KU was SOD at NW's 29 and the Cats had a 71 yd TD drive that included a 4th & 11 conv. NW added a 21 yd FG, 13-3. KU had a 75 yd TD drive that included a 4th & 4 conv scoring w/11:56 left. KU then drove 51 yds and got a 20 yd TD pass, 17-13. NW got a 52 yd pass then 3 plays later a 12 yd TD pass, 20-17 w/5:25 left. KU missed a 43 yd FG & NW ran out the clock.

MINNESOTA 43 Northwestern 17 - NW went 43 yds and hit a 29 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 added a 50 yd TD pass to Hamilton to make it 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 w/1:02 left in the 2Q. NW opened the 3Q with a 65 yd TD drive. Basanez appeared to fmbld before going into the EZ on his 15 yd TD run but it was not reviewed. Malleo came in at QB for NW (inj). UM went 41 yds and nailed a 46 yd FG, 36-17. UM went 87 yds and got a TD w/2:59 left on a drive that ate up 10:07 to close the scoring.

NORTHWESTERN 33 Ohio St 27 (OT) - NW went 38 yds & nailed a 41 yd FG. OSU went 49 yds for a 33 yd FG. NW went 52 yds and a TD pass to Herron put them up 10-3. NW was int'd at the 8. OSU's Holmes ret'd a punt 63 yds for a TD to tie it. OSU fmbld w/54 left in the 1H at their own 47 and NW nailed a 40 yd FG on the 2Q's final play, 13-10. NW opened the 3Q with a 78 yd TD drive. OSU went 77 yds for a TD. NW went 80 yds and Herron's TD run made it 27-17. OSU went 55 yds but settled for a 29 yd FG. After an int OSU took over at the 22 but Zwick was int'd in the EZ. Zwick then led OSU 69 yds & a 21 yd TD pass w/1:54 left tied it. NW punted and OSU took a knee to force OT. OSU settled for a 40 yd FG but Nugent missed it and Herron's 1 yd TD run snapped NW's 24 game losing streak vs OSU.

NORTHWESTERN 31 Indiana 24 (2OT) - NW went 75 yds but was SOD on 4th & 1 at the IU 3. IU fmbld setting NW up for a 36 yd TD drive. NW missed a 27 yd FG. IU went 80 yds for a TD to tie it. IU missed a 42 yd FG. NW missed a 48 yd FG w/29 left in the 1H. After a penalty gave IU a FD on 3rd & 16, Roby raced 48 yds for a TD, 14-7. NW was int'd at midfield but then went 94 yds for a TD to tie it. IU got NW to jump offsides on 4th & 1 and hit a 39 yd FG, 17-14. NW drove 49 yds and settled a 32 yd FG w/29 left, 17-17. IU started at its 41 after a personal foul on the KR but was int'd on a Hail Mary. In OT, IU needed just 2 plays for a TD. On 4th & 6 NW got a FD and then on 3rd & 2 Basanez, with several Hoosiers closing in, lofted a pass to the EZ. TE Jones, also surrounded by Hoosiers, somehow managed to pluck the ball out of the air, 24-24. In the 2nd OT NW, on 4th & 1, got a 16 yd TD run by Herron but IU, on 4th & 3, was sk'd.

WISCONSIN 24 Northwestern 12 - UW blk'd a punt and rec'd at the 14 but UW missed a 31 yd FG. UW then went 56 yds and hit a 29 yd FG. UW went 72 yds for TD. UW went 71 yds and a 7 yd TD run by Davis made it 17-0 at the half. After UW added a 66 yd TD drive, NW went 68 yds as Basanez hit Philmore with a 29 yd TD pass, 24-6 (2 ptng). NW rec'd the onside kick and drove 49 yds for a TD, 24-12 (2 ptng). UW ran out the clock.

NORTHWESTERN 13 Purdue 10-40 mph winds. PU QB Orton was playing with a hip inj. He fmbld on the 3rd play at the PU 28 setting up a NW TD. Void ret'd the KO 71 yds but PU settled for a 23 yd FG. After a 23 yd punt, PU drove 46 yds for a TD and led 10-7. Orton was int'd and Kirsch came in at QB. Basanez led NW 84 yds scoring the game winning TD w/38 left.

Northwestern 14 PENN ST 7 - PSU ran a HB option to Robinson but under pressure, he threw an int at the NW 33 and NW would drive for a TD. A NW int set up a PSU TD w/37 left in the 1H, 7-7. NW went 83 yds and got a TD w/14:31 left, 14-7. PSU went 67 yds in 10 plays but was SOD w/3:27 left.

MICHIGAN 42 Northwestern 20 - NW went 64 yds for a 23 yd FG. UM went 57 yds and Hart's 34 yd TD run put them ahead. NW went 62 yds but had a 36 yd FG blk'd. NW went 57 yds but settled for a 32 yd FG w/22 left in the 1H, 7-6. UM opened the 3Q with an 82 yd TD drive. NW's Herron ripped off a 68 yd TD run, 14-13. UM went 60 and 47 yds for TD's, 28-13. NW went on a 37 yd drive but was SOD at the 45. UM went 54 yds for a TD w/9:49 left, 35-13. Breaston ret'd a punt 67 yds for a TD, 42-13. NW went 73 yds for a TD w/4:48 left. UM, behind backup QB Richard, was SOD on 4th & 7 at the NW 30 w/2:28 left.

NORTHWESTERN 28 Illinois 21 (OT) - After IL fmbld at the NW 22, NW would go 78 yds including Herron's 23 yd TD run. IL went 53 yds for a TD. Morris int'd a Basanez pass & ret'd it to the NW 26. Thomas got a 14 yd TD run w/1:12 left in the 1H, 14-7. NW went 78 yds for a TD to tie it. IL went 59 yds in 11 plays. On 4th & goal at the 2 IL lined up for a FG but faked it and Weatherford ran it in, 21-14. NW's Backes ret'd a punt 73 yds for a TD w/2:12 left to tie it up again. IL's Thomas ret'd the KO 62 yds to the NW 30 but true frosh Reda missed a 31 yd FG. In OT NW needed 5 plays for a TD while IL was SOD at the NW 11.

HAWAII 49 Northwestern 41 - An int set up a Basanez to Thompson TD pass. NW went 50 yds for a 43 yd FG. UH botched the KO and NW rec'd. NW settled for a 46 yd FG. UH went 68 yds for a TD, 13-7. NW went 82 yds as Basanez picked up a fmbld and ran it into the EZ. UH went 65 yds for a TD. Later UH went 57 yds for the 21-20 lead. Chang hit Owens for a 35 yd TD pass w/07 left in the 2Q. In the 3Q Owens ret'd a punt 76 yds for a TD, 35-20. NW's Batis ran 21 yds for a TD on a fake FG, 35-27. UH answered with a 64 yd TD drive & NW went 80 yds for a TD, 42-33. UH went 70 yds for a TD. NW went 75 yds but was SOD on 4th & goal. NW blk'd a punt & ret'd it 18 yds for a TD, 49-41. UH went 57 yds but missed a 32 yd FG w/2:12 left. NW got to the UH 20 but Basanez was int'd at the 11 w/1:06 left.