2004 GAME RECAPS

OHIO ST 27 Cincinnati 6 - After both teams settled for FG's OSU went 80 yds for a TD with 1:11 left 1H, 10-3. OSU was int'd at their own 40 & ret'd to the 35. UC got a 25 yd FG. OSU drove 57 yds for a TD,17-6.OSU brought in QB Smith and got an 85 yd TD drive with 5:54 left. UC was SOD.

OHIO ST 24 Marshall 21 - OSU got an 80 yd TD pass. MU answered with an 80 yd TD drive. OSU got a 47 yd TD pass to Holmes to cap their 85 yd drive. MU's Goddard ripped the ball out of OSU TB Ross' hands and raced 27 yds for a TD, 14-14. OSU answered with an 80 yd TD drive. Zwick was int'd and ret'd to the OSU 13. On 3rd & 20 MU got a 23 yd TD pass to tie it with 8:40 left. Zwick was int'd again, this time at the MU 41. With 3:17 left MU missed a 35 yd FG. A poor MU punt set up OSU at the 45. OSU got a FD and was whistled for illegal motion but Nugent nailed the game winning 55 yd FG.

Ohio St 22 NC STATE 14 - TO's were the key here as 4 scoring drives covered 10 yds or less for OSU & they finished the game with just 137 yds offense. OSU led 13-0 at the half on 2 Nugent FG's and a Ross TD run. NCS fmbl'd to open the 3Q at their own 16 and OSU got a 33 yd FG. NCS drove 80 yds for a TD, 16-7. OSU nailed a 46 yd FG, 19-7. NCS was int'd at the 28. OSU nailed a 47 yd FG, 22-7. OSU fmbl'd at the NCS 12 and NCS went 79 yds getting a garbage TD with 1:28 left.

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 62 yds for a TD to tie it. OSU fmbl'd at their own 47 with :54 left in the 1H and NW nailed a 40 yd FG on the final play, 13-10. NW opened the 3Q with a 78 yd drive for a TD. OSU went 77 yds for a a TD. NW went 80 yds and Herron's TD run made it 27-17. OSU went 55 yds but settled for a 28 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 with a 21 yd TD pass with 1:54 left tieing 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.

Wisconsin 24 OHIO ST 13 - Tressel lost B2B games for the 1st time at OSU. UW won for the 3rd consec time in Columbus. OSU's Ginn ret'd a punt 65 yds for a TD. OSU got a 43 yd run by Pittman but settled for a 42 yd FG. UW ret'd the KO 46 yds and Davis ripped off a 32 yd TD run. UW went 78 yds & got a TD. OSU nailed a 55 yd FG to pull within 14-13 at the half. UW opened the 3Q with a 72 yd drive for a 26 yd FG. UW got an 11 yd TD pass & the D held OSU to 2 FD's in the 2H.

IOWA 33 Ohio St 7 - After fmbl at the OSU 16, lowa went 61 yds for a TD and 39 yds for a 45 yd FG. OSU went 68 yds but on 3rd & 8 Zwick's pass was int'd in the EZ with 2:32 left in the 1H. In the 3Q OSU's Zwick was inj'd after being sk'd & fmbl'd on OSU's own 30 setting up an lowa TD, 17-0. Smith came in at QB for OSU but they went 3 & out. Later lowa added a 36 yd TD pass and an 83 yd TD drive. OSU was SOD. lowa started at the 22 and nailed a 41 yd FG. lowa went for it on 4th & 4 at the OSU 27 and was SOD. OSU went 73 yds for a garbage TD.

OHIO ST 30 Indiana 7 - OSU's Troy Smith hit 12 of 24 for 161 yds in his 1st start. An OSU fmbl was rec'd by Indy but after review OSU was given back the ball. On 3rd & 7 a pass was tipped and almost int'd but Ginn pulled it out of the air and raced 59 yds for a TD. OSU went 85 yds for a TD. A Roby 42 yd rec was the key play on an 80 yd TD drive, 14-7. OSU hit 29 & 52 yd FG's. Indy missed a 40 yd FG. In the 3Q OSU added a 35 yd FG, 23-7. OSU's Pittman got a 28 yd TD run with 4:52 left.

OHIO ST 21 Penn St 10 - PSU QB Mills DNP due to a concussion. In the 1Q OSU had 6 plays and 12 ttl yds but led 14-0. OSU got a 62 yd KR to the PSU 35. Seven plays later they got a TD. At the half PSU had 16 plays in OSU territory, twice as many as the Bucks. They had 13-4 FD and 157-63 yd edges but trailed 21-7. PSU went 48 yds in 12 plays. On 4th & goal from the 4 they opted for a 21 yd FG with 9:31 left to finish the scoring.

Ohio St 32 MICHIGAN ST 19 - MSU's Dowdell was int'd & ret'd to the 17 and OSU's Ginn ran for a TD. Ginn then ret'd a punt 60 yds for a TD, 14-0 with OSU having 0 FD's. OSU's nailed a 53 yd FG. MSU went 87 yds for a TD. MSU went 56 yds for a 27 yd FG. MSU went 27 yds and nailed a 44 yd FG, 17-13. MSU missed a 54 yd FG on the 1H's final play. OSU fmbl'd at their own 42 and this time Rayner hit a 53 yd FG. MSU went 68 yds for a 29 yd FG with 3:06 left, 19-17. OSU's Smith hit a slant pass to Ginn which he took 58 yds for a TD, 25-19 (2 ptng) with 1:37 left. MSU was int'd at the OSU 44. On 3rd & 5 Hall raced 51 yds for a TD with :25 left. MSU was int'd in the EZ.

PURDUE 24 Ohio St 17 - PU's Kirsch started for an inj'd Orton. OSU went 46 yds and got a 44 yd FG. PU went 67 yds but settled for a 33 yd FG. PU went 78 yds for a TD. PU went 76 yds and got a TD with 1:31 left 1H, 17-3. OSU went on a 66 yd drive and Holmes caught a 30 yd TD pass. PU was int'd & ret'd to the 36. OSU got to the 8 but the Bucks fmbl'd on 3rd & goal. OSU went 44 yds for a TD. Orton led PU 80 yds and hit a 14 yd TD pass, 24-17. OSU was int'd 2 plays later at their own 34.

OHIO ST 37 Michigan 21 - On 3rd & 12 OSU's Smith found Gonzalez for a 68 yd TD pass. UM went 87 yds for a TD to tie. UM went 44 yds for a TD, 14-7. OSU went 99 yds for a TD on 3rd & goal from the 1 to tie. OSU went 71 yds but was SOD on 4th & goal at the 1. After UM punted from their own EZ, OSU started at the UM 32 but settled for a 21 yd FG w/2:16 left in the 1H. OSU went 46 yds and nailed a 41 yd FG on the 1H's final play, 20-14. At the half OSU had a 337-164 yd edge. Ginn ret'd a punt 82 yds for a TD, 27-14. Later OSU went 97 yds for a TD. UM went 76 yds but on 1st & goal at the 8 was int'd in the EZ. UM went 62 yds for a TD. UM was SOD on 4th & 1 at their own 29 and OSU added a 48 yd FG w/7:19 left. UM went 49 yds but was SOD on 4th & 6 at the OSU 31 w/4:16 left. On their last drive UM was int'd at the OSU 39 w/:35 left.