

# 2008 GAME RECAPS

**OHIO ST 43 Youngstown St 0** - OSU dominated scoring on all six 1H poss incl a 51 yd FG and YSU's only FD in the 1H came via pen as OSU had a 273-27 yd edge. RB Wells was inj'd on 1st & goal at the 3 and became the major story of the game. OSU scored on their next 3 poss incl a 54 yd FG and YSU got 1 of their 5 FD's on the final play.

**OHIO ST 26 Ohio 14** - OSU was w/o Wells but OU had a stunning 127-117 yd 1H edge but could not overcome 5 TO's. After a 25 yd IR, OSU got a 27 yd FG. After another int, OSU went 32/7pl but was SOD at the 29. OU got three 3rd down convs on a 71/11pl drive without QB Scott and a stunning 15 yd TD run made it 7-3. OSU went 40/7pl for a 38 yd FG, 7-6 (5:02) and missed a 53 yd FG (:58). OU pinned the Bucks at the 6 and a bad shotgun snap saw OU fall on it for a TD and a 14-6 lead. The Bucks then went 73/13pl for a TD, 14-12 (2ptng). OU fmbld the PR at it own 25 and the Bucks got a TD 6 pl later. OU was int'd at the OSU35 and then OSU got a 69 yd PR TD, 26-14 (5:57). OU was int'd at the Buckeye 32 (3:06).

**USC 35 Ohio St 3** - OSU had 177-173 yd and 20:07-9:53 TOP edges in the 1H. The Bucks went on a 17pl drive and had a 1st & gl at the 5 but settled for a 24 yd FG. USC went 75/7pl and 63/7pl for TD's and led 14-3. OSU went on an 11 pl drive and had a TD called back on holding and missed a 46 yd FG. USC then got a 48 yd IR TD with 2:49 left 2Q to lead 21-3. A demoralized Bucks team was outplayed in the 2H with just 30 yds offense.

**OHIO ST 28 Troy 10** - QB Pryor got his first start and took OSU 60/9pl for a TD. Troy drove 42/9pl for a 22 yd FG, 7-3. Troy was int'd and on 3rd & 12 Pryor hit a 39 yd TD pass, 14-3. Troy got a 45 yd TD pass with 1:49 left 2Q to make it 14-10 at the half. Troy opened the 3Q with a 46/10pl drive but was int'd at the 7. OSU got a 38 yd TD pass to make it 21-10 early 4Q. Troy punted 17 yds OOB at its own 27 and 4pl later Pryor hit a 16 yd TD pass, 28-10 (4:46). Troy punted with 2:22 left.

**OHIO ST 34 Minnesota 21** - OSU led 20-3 even with an 82/14pl drive settling for a 22 yd FG early 2Q. They had 224-93 yd and 11-4 FD 1H edges. The Bucks increased it to 34-6 early 4Q with UM having 125 yds. UM then went 69/15pl for a TD incl two 4th down conv. The Gophers later went 80/10pl and got a 22 yd TD pass on 4th & 14 in the back of the EZ for the final.

**Ohio St 20 WISCONSIN 17** - Night. OSU opened with a 71/6pl TD drive on a Wells 33 yd run. OSU's Pryor was int'd at the UW4 and UW fmbld at the OSU49. UW then went 91/15pl and got a 9 yd TD pass with 4:35 left 2Q, 7-7. OSU fmbld at the UW32. UW got 17 & 13 yd passes and then a 35 yd pass to the 3 with :05 left 2Q which set up a 23 yd FG and UW led 10-7 at the half. OSU opened the 3Q with a 77/10pl FG drive to tie it at 10. OSU went 43/10pl for a 34 yd FG, 13-10 (10:46). UW went 63/10pl for a TD with 6:31 left, 17-13. OSU answered with an 80/12pl drive and Pryor's 11 yd TD run with 1:08 left gave them the lead. Evridge was int'd at the UW34 for the Badgers' last shot.

**OHIO ST 16 Purdue 3** - OSU ret'd a blocked P 20 yds for a TD early 1Q. PU fmbld at the OSU37 and the Bucks went 56/8pl for a 24 yd FG, 10-0. PU was int'd at its 29 but OSU missed a 38 yd FG. PU was SOD at the OSU45 and the Buckeyes went 23/9pl for a 49 yd FG, 13-0. PU missed a 52 yd FG on the 1H's final play. PU opened the 3Q with 50/9pl drive for a 53 yd FG, 13-3. OSU went 34/9pl for a 22 yd FG. PU took over with 2:24 left and went 51/12pl but was SOD at the OSU26 with :28 left.

**Ohio St 45 MICHIGAN ST 7** - OSU took its 2nd poss 47/4pl for a TD then went 83/5pl and 57/2pl for TD's, 21-0. At half OSU had a 274-60 yd edge and led 28-0. MSU brought Cousins in at QB and they went 85/8pl for a TD to open the 3Q but with MSU driving again they fmbld and Jenkins ret'd it 69 yds for a TD, 35-7. The Bucks went 48/14pl for a 48 yd FG and then with :15 left, got a 48 yd FR TD.

**Penn St 13 OHIO ST 6** - Night. The first 7 poss ended in punts. PSU went 76/11pl and got a 31 yd FG with 1:33 left 2Q. After a 37 yd KR, OSU went 37/8pl and got a 41 yd FG on the 1H's final play. OSU went 72/13pl for a 36 yd FG, 6-3. PSU went 52/9pl but missed a 45 yd FG. On 3rd & 1 at the 50 Pryor fmbld and PSU rec'd it at the 38. Devlin came in for Clark (concussion) and 5pl later PSU got a TD, 10-6 (6:25). OSU punted and PSU ate up the clock nailing a 35 yd FG with 1:07 left. OSU got to the PSU45 but Pryor was int'd in the EZ.

**Ohio St 45 NORTHWESTERN 10** - OSU opened with a 66/8pl TD drive. NU went 67/13pl for a TD with Kafka running on the drive's last 7pl, 7-7. OSU's Wells broke free for a 55 yd TD run, 14-7. NU fmbld 2pl later and OSU added a 33 yd FG, 17-7. OSU went 90/12pl for a TD converting on 3rd & 8, 3rd & 13 and 3rd & 17 to lead 24-7 at the half. NU opened the 3Q with a 72/10pl FG drive. Two poss later Pryor hit a 6 yd TD pass to cap an 83/8pl drive, 31-10. NU got a FD at the OSU12 but B2B sks forced them to P. OSU faked a P for a FD on an 84/9pl TD drive, 38-10. After NU was SOD on 4th & 12 at its own 43 (3:10), the Bucks got a 16 yd TD run by Herron with :16 left.

**Ohio St 30 ILLINOIS 20** - 40' & windy. Williams fmbld at the IL18 which led to an OSU TD. IL went 82/8pl for a TD to tie it. OSU blk'd a punt for a safety and then drove 43/5pl for a TD, 16-7. IL went 70/11pl but Williams was int'd at the 6 and OSU went 76/6pl for a TD, 23-7. IL went 60/9pl for a 28 yd FG and 47/6pl for a 44 yd FG and trailed 23-13 at the half despite having a 292-182 yd edge. OSU went 62/9pl but Wells fmbld at the 18. OSU went 84/8pl for a TD, 30-13. Later OSU was SOD at the IL25. With McGee at QB IL was SOD at the OSU33 but later went 76/7pl for a garbage TD with :42 left. OSU rec'd the onside kick.

**OHIO ST 42 Michigan 7** - Pryor was int'd on OSU's 4th play and Brown ret'd it 34 yds to the OSU13 but UM missed a 35 yd FG. After 5 straight 3 & outs OSU got a 59 yd TD run by Wells. On their next poss OSU went 78/8pl for a TD, 14-0. OSU was SOD at the UM35 (8:43) and UM got their first FD with 8:17 left 2Q. The Wolves continued on a 65/14pl TD drive, 14-7 at the half. On their first 3Q poss OSU got a 42 yd run by Wells foll'd by a 41 yd TD run by Herron. Later OSU got an 80 yd PR by Small to the 8 setting up a TD, 28-7. OSU went 56/6pl for a TD and after UM fmbld the KO, the Bucks added a TD 3pl later for the final.