

2008 GAME RECAPS

PENN ST 66 Coastal Carolina 10 - PSU took their first 2 poss 43/4pl and 80/5pl for TD's. CC went 62/7pl for a TD but PSU's Williams ret'd the KO 89 yd for a TD, 21-7. PSU then went 67/7pl and 45/4pl (after an int) and added 65/12pl drive for a 21 yd FG to lead 38-7 with a 311-154 yd edge at the half. PSU scored TD's on all four 2H drives and CC gained 56 yds in the last 4:23 getting a 31 yd FG on the game's final play.

PENN ST 45 Oregon St 14 - PSU was playing without 2 susp DL starters but dominated. The Lions took their opening drives 67/8pl, 55/7pl for TD's. After PSU tk'd OSU's P, the Lions went 28/2 pl for a TD, 21-0. PSU added a 70/5pl TD drive. The teams traded long TD drives and it was 35-7 at the half with PSU having a commanding 328-137 yd edge. PSU went on a 62/6pl drive but Royster fmb'l'd at the OSU1 and OSU was SOD at the PSU41. PSU went 59/7pl for a TD and then after an int got a 31 yd FG, 45-7 after 3Q's. OSU went 73/15pl for a TD early 4Q but was int'd at the PSU 27 and SOD at the PSU45.

Penn St 55 SYRACUSE 13 - PSU fmb'l'd on their 2nd play but SU fmb'l'd it back and PSU got a 55 yd TD pass. PSU led 28-0 before SU even got a FD and had 393-42 yd and 19-3 FD edges with a 38-6 halftime lead and coasted.

PENN ST 45 Temple 3 - The 1Q was scoreless and TU lost its starting QB on the 1st series. PSU dominated the 2Q scoring on all 5 poss and had a 338-32 yd 1H edge, 31-0. PSU used #3 QB Cianciolo on their final 2 poss in the rout.

PENN ST 38 Illinois 24 - White Out. Night game. IL started with a 60/6pl TD drive but PSU answered with a 73/8pl TD drive. IL went 60/7pl with a TD on a 33 yd pass to Benn. PSU went 81/7pl and 57/7pl for TD's, 21-14. PSU was SOD at the IL31 (1:12Q) and had a 256-165 yd edge at the half. IL was SOD at 4th & 2 on their own 48 but PSU settled for a 24 yd FG, 24-14. IL went 55/13pl but missed a 33 yd FG. PSU fmb'l'd and IL got a 43 yd FG, 24-17. Williams got a 94 yd KR TD. IL got a 54 yd TD pass to Benn but PSU answered with a 77/7pl TD drive, 38-24. PSU rec'd a fmb'l at the IL36 but dropped a FD pass and punted. IL was SOD at the PSU46 and the Lions ran out the clock.

Penn St 20 PURDUE 6 - PU converted 4th downs on 10 & 11 play drives but punted and missed a 45 yd FG. PSU went 72/13pl and appeared to be stuffed on 4th & goal from the 1 but the refs had stopped to review the previous play and PSU got another shot and a TD. PU missed a 36 yd FG and PSU went 72/11pl for a 25 yd FG, 10-0 at the half. PSU went 61/7pl for a TD, 17-0. PU was int'd at the PSU41 and ret'd 29 yds which set up a 20 yd FG, 20-0. PU went 82/14pl including a 4th & 10 conv and scored a TD on the next play, 20-6 (xpng). PSU went 58/11pl ending the game at the PU26.

Penn St 48 WISCONSIN 7 - Night. PSU hit a 50 yd FG after a 15 yd UW punt. The Lions went 51/9pl for a TD and then got a 63 yd PR TD by Williams, 17-0. UW went 85/10pl for a TD, 17-7. UW fmb'l'd at its own 16 with 1:32 left 2Q and PSU got a TD 2pl later, 24-7. PSU dominated the 2H taking their first two drives 76/6pl and 82/7pl for TD's and then after an int got a 30 yd FG, 41-7. Sherer came in at QB for UW and after moving 53/6pl he was int'd at the 1 and on the next poss he fmb'l'd at the 50. PSU added a TD with 2:40 left and UW gained 64 yds on its final drive.

PENN ST 46 Michigan 17 - UM took its first 3 drives 86/14pl, 45/6pl and 78/10pl for 2 TD's and a FG and led 17-14 with a 210-88 yd 1H edge. PSU tied it with a FG and then got a safety when they sk'd Sheridan in the EZ after Threet had been KO'd. PSU went 50/4pl for a TD to make it 26-17 after 3Q's. PSU got a 32 yd FG, rec'd a fmb'l and went 19 yd for a TD, drove 56/12pl for a FG and backup QB Devlin hit RB Green with a screen pass 80 yds for a TD with 2:05 left.

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 fmb'l'd 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.

IOWA 24 Penn St 23 - PSU dominated the 1H with an 18-5 FD edge. PSU's Clark fmb'l'd but rec'd it at his own 1 and Iowa drove 25/2pl for a TD. PSU went 71/19pl, 75/11pl and 78/16pl but settled for 24 and 31 yd FG's and a TD and only led 13-7 at the half. After an int PSU went 21/5pl for a 25 yd FG early 3Q, 16-7. Iowa went 73/10pl for a TD, 16-14. After a fmb'l PSU went 28/4pl for a TD and led 23-14 after 3Q's. Iowa drove 44/6pl for a TD, 23-21. PSU went on a 9pl drive but Clark was int'd at the 15 with just 3:46 left. Iowa went 57/15pl and got a 31 yd FG from backup K Murray to pull out the win.

PENN ST 34 Indiana 7 - Thigpen got a 57 yd TD to tie it at 7 early 2Q. PSU missed a 40 yd FG but after blk'g a P with :35 left 2Q, got a 32 yd FG and led 10-7. PSU drove 61/8pl for a TD and 40/8pl for a FG to lead 20-7 (8:20 3Q). IU faked a punt on 4th & 8 at its own 30 and was SOD and PSU went 29/6pl for a TD, 27-7 after 3Q's. PSU went 67/8pl for a TD with 7:32 left but then was SOD at the IU35 with 2:27 left.

PENN ST 49 Michigan St 18 - PSU went 59/4pl and 86/12pl for TD's, 14-0. PSU went 71/8pl for a TD, 21-0 and after an int got a 32 yd TD pass, 28-0. MSU went 76/14pl getting a TD with :22 left 1H, 28-7. PSU drove 70/8pl for a TD. After an int the Lions went 96/5pl for a TD and 79/6pl with a 59 yd TD pass from backup QB Devlin, 49-7. It was 49-10 when PSU was SOD at the MSU42 with 2:46 left and the Spartans would drive 72 yds getting a TD and 2 pt conv with 1:09 left.