

2002 GAME RECAPS

PURDUE 51 Illinois St 10 - PU had 337 yds offense at the half and had scoring drives of 72, 52, 26 (after fmb), 55 and 39 (after fmb) yds. ISU got 15 yd TD drive after a fmb'd punt but PU answered w/an 88 yd TD drive. ISU went 63 yds for a 27 yd FG and in the 4Q PU had 33 & 80 yd TD drives.

NOTRE DAME 24 Purdue 17 - PU had a 318-203 yd edge and ND did not score an offensive TD. It was 17-7 at the half w/PU having a 157-144 yd edge. PU drove 71 yds for a TD and added a 35 yd FG in the 4Q to tie it at 17. ND got a 33 yd int return for a TD w/5:00 left.

PURDUE 28 W Michigan 24 - PU drove 75 yds for a TD but WM ret'd the KO 76 yds for a TD & added another, 14-7. In the 3Q PU drove 31 yds for a TD & went 30 yds for a TD after a fmb on the next poss, 21-14. Mid 4Q WM got a 71 yd pass to the 15 and got a 15 yd TD run on the next play, 21-14. PU got consec long passes for a TD w/5:26 left.

Wake Forest 24 PURDUE 21 - PU's 3 missed FG's and 5 TO's were key. PU drove 78 yds for a TD but fmb'd at the WF 9 & punted late 2Q. WF drove 90 yds for a TD, 7-7. After a fmb, WF drove 41 yds for a TD w/:43 left in the half, but PU got a 51 yd TD pass w/:19 left to tie, 14-14. In the 3Q PU fmb'd at their own 38 setting up a WF 41 yd FG. PU got a 73 yd TD pass, 21-17 but WF drove 92 yds for a TD, 24-21. PU missed a 46, a 40, and a 44 yd FG in the 4Q.

PURDUE 28 Minnesota 15 - PU took their opening poss 77 yds for a TD but 3 fmb's and a blk'd punt set up UM for three 1H FG's, 9-7 at the half. PU ret'd an int 23 yds for a TD and added a 55 yd TD drive. After a UM fmb was ret'd 35 yds to the 3, PU added another TD to lead 28-9 after 3Q's. UM was SOD at the PU 24 w/10:29 left but scored a TD w/5:31 left, 28-15. PU rec'd the onside kick, but missed a 36 yd FG w/:06 left.

IOWA 31 Purdue 28 - PU had 30-14 FD and 507-384 yd edges. PU had 86 & 71 yd TD drives, 14-3. UI blk'd a FG & ret'd it for a TD w/1:20 left 1H, 14-10. Iowa blk'd a punt for a TD, 17-14. Iowa threw a short pass to TE Clark on 3rd & 8 from their own 5 & he broke 3 tkl's to go 95 yds for a TD, 24-14. PU QB Orton missed the rest of gm (concussion). Kirsch led 90 & 67 yd TD drives for a 28-24 lead. Iowa was SOD at their own 48 w/2:40 left but later went 86 yds for a TD w/1:07 left. PU did drive to the Iowa 25 but a pass was int'd w/:14 left.

ILLINOIS 38 Purdue 31 (OT) - IL ret'd the opening KO for a TD and led 24-0 when PU got an int ret for a TD and a FG on the 2Q's final play, 24-10. PU got down to IL's 22 but a sk & pen pushed them back. PU drove 76 & 55 yds for TD's to tie. PU fmb'd a punt on the 43. IL missed a FG and PU drove 80 yds for a TD w/5:27 left. IL went 80 yds in 19 plays converting on 4th down twice and getting a TD w/:03 left to tie. PU got a Hail Mary pass in the EZ but it was ruled down at the 1. In OT IL got a TD and PU was SOD.

Michigan 23 PURDUE 21 - PU missed an early 42 yd FG. UM went 75 yds for a TD and PU 76 yds for a TD, 7-7. With 1:02 left in the half, PU missed a 40 yd FG and UM drove 59 yds and nailed a 33 yd FG to lead 10-7. UM ran a fake FG early 3Q and came up short but got a 31 yd TD pass to lead 17-7. PU drove 66 yds for a TD w/1:33 left 3Q, 17-14. UM was SOD at the PU 34 but got a 34 yd TD run on a reverse on the next poss, 23-14. UM drove but had a 37 yd FG blk'd w/7:23 left. PU was int'd at the UM 1 and 15 on their next 2 poss. PU went 44 yds in 10 plays for a TD w/:08 left but UM rec'd the onside kick.

Purdue 42 N'WESTERN 13 - PU took their first 3 poss 74, 38 and 70 yds for TD's, 21-0. PU fmb'd at its own 44 setting up a NW TD, 21-7. PU drove 93 yds but was SOD at the 1 w/ 1:46 left 1H. PU's 2nd poss of the 3Q went 69 yds for a TD and they added a 42 & 58 yd TD drives in the 4Q. NW drove for a garbage TD w/ 3:11 left and PU's 407 yds rushing were the most since 1994 and they finished w/a 551-268 yd edge.

Ohio St 10 PURDUE 6 - Late in the 1Q PU got a tipped pass for an int at the OSU 23 and nailed a 21 yd FG, 3-0. OSU got an int w/ 3:21 left in the half and got a 22 yd FG w/ no time left to tie it. The D's controlled the 2H until PU drove 62 yds for a 32 yd FG w/7:50 left, 6-3. On 3rd & 14 OSU got a 13 yd pass setting up a 4th & 1. Krenzel audibled for a pass and w/plenty of pressure around, stepped in the pocket and threw a 37 yd TD pass w/1:36 left.

Purdue 45 MICHIGAN ST 42 - In the 1H PU had a 343-59 yd edge and 51 plays to MSU's 23 but needed a late surge to lead 24-17. It was 42-37 with 7:43 left and on 4th & 8 PU QB Kirsch had the wind knocked out of him. Orton came in and lobbed a 40 yd TD pass w/3:18 left, 45-42. MSU got 1 FD but on 4th & 5 from the 50 w/1:20 left came up 1 yd short and PU ran out the clock.

PURDUE 34 Indiana 10 - PU got an 81 yd drive for a TD, 7-0 1Q. Indy got a 50 yd FG but PU drove 85 yds for a TD and then 31 yds for FG on the final play of the half, 17-3. PU got a 29 yd drive for a TD and a 23 yd FG. Indy got an 85 yd KR to set up an 8 yd TD drive. PU answered with a 71 yd drive for a TD with 5:35 left.