

2008 GAME RECAPS

SOUTHERN MISS 51 Louisiana 21 - UL was int'd on 1st drive & SM went 56/5pl for TD. UL was int'd on 3rd drive & SM went 58/2pl for TD, 14-0. SM went 68/16pl for TD, 21-0 (13:51). Two poss later UL went 59/7pl for TD, 21-7. SM went 80/5pl for TD, 28-7 (6:31) & each tm got TD in final minutes of half, 34-14. SM had 328-217 yd edge. SM opened 3Q w/a 61/10pl TD drive. After rec a fmbi SM went 82/10pl for TD. After UL went 71 yds but fmbi'd into EZ for TB, SM went 80/8pl for TD to lead 51-14 w/13:53 left.

AUBURN 27 Southern Miss 13 - AU dominated this game more than the score would indicate. At HT AU had a 229-85 yd edge but only led 14-0 as they fmbi'd into the EZ for a TB after a 68/10pl drive & after a 64yd drive fmbi'd at the 15. SM missed a 44yd FG on final pl of 1H, gaining 34 of their 85 yds. Early 3Q, AU ret'd a punt 32yds & they nailed a 32 yd FG. AU went 75/12pl for a TD & a 24-0 lead. AU Backup QB Burns (? to play) fired an int & SM converted on 4th & 11 on a short 25/6pl drive to get on the board, 24-6 (2:33). SM surprisingly went 90/11pl for a TD, 24-13 (11:48). AU went 69/9pl but settled for a 23yd FG. After TO's on 3 straight poss, AU punted (2:18) & SM was SOD at the AU 25 (1:38).

Southern Miss 27 ARKANSAS ST 24 - SM converted on 3rd & 11, 3rd & 16 & 3rd & 16 on opening drive going 68/19pl for 23yd FG eating up over 10:00. ASU went 55/8pl for 41yd FG, 3-3. SM went 71/11pl & 39/6pl for TD's, 17-3 (8:48 2Q). SM fmbi'd at ASU24 but ASU, 11 pl later, was SOD at SM 17 (3:16). ASU took 2nd 3Q poss 66/8pl for TD then went 94/10pl for TD, 17-17 after 3Q's. ASU went on 9pl drive & lined up for go-ahead 31yd FG but a bad snap was ret'd all the way to ASU11 & SM got 28yd FG to lead (10:47) 20-17. SM went 93/8pl for TD, 27-17 (5:30). ASU went 83/8pl for TD, 27-24 (2:14) & got it back on own 20 w/1:44 left. They got FD to SM46 but were int'd on next play at 40 w/59 left.

Marshall 34 SOUTHERN MISS 27 - SM got a 68yd TD pass on their 2nd poss but MU went on a 48/5pl drive for a TD, 7-7 (9:09 1Q). MU went 52/6pl for a 37yd FG then went on 8pl drive but fmbi'd at the SM48. MU then fmbi'd at their own 45 & SM got a 43yd FG (9:24) 10-10. MU went 74/11pl for a TD, 17-10 (4:29). SM went 42/8pl & got a 45yd FG, 17-13 (1:24) & at HT MU had a 240-165 yd edge. MU opened the 3Q with a 69/11pl drive for a 28yd FG & got an 80yd TD pass on next poss, 27-13. SM went 70/7pl for a TD, 27-20. MU went 10pl but punted. SM missed a 43yd FG. MU went 9pl but punted (5:41). SM was int'd at their 18 & MU got a TD run on the next play, 34-20 (4:17). SM converted twice on 4th down on a 75/14pl drive for a TD with 1:33 left. MU punted with 1:11 left but SM only got as far as the MU35.

Utep 40 SOUTHERN MISS 37 (2OT) - SM missed a 31yd FG on their 1st poss. UTEP had a punt blk'd & SM drove 17yds for a TD. UTEP went 76/15pl for a TD then each tm went on a long TD drive, 14-14. SM went on a 14pl drive but missed a 28yd FG (8:15). UTEP fk'd a punt on 4th&19 from its own 11 & got a 29yd run that keyed a 60/14pl drive for a 37yd FG & led 17-14 at HT. UTEP 1st drive of 3Q went 8pl for a 34yd FG but onside kicked & SM rec'd. SM went 51/8pl for a TD, 21-20. SM's next drive went 36/6pl but missed a 33yd FG. UTEP went 80/8pl for a TD & led 27-21 (14:46). SM went 68/8pl for a 29yd FG, 27-24 (12:03). SM was int'd at their own 40 with 8:41 left but UTEP went for it on 4th&1 & were SOD (5:06). SM went 93/14pl getting a 22yd FG for OT. After each tm scored a TD in the 1st OT, SM got a 28yd FG & UTEP a 6yd TD pass.

Boise St 24 SOUTHERN MISS 7 - SM took its opening drive 39/9pl but had a 46yd FG blk'd. The next 4 poss were P's then BS went 92/9pl for a TD, 7-0. SM took a big chance & was SOD on 4th&1 at its own 45 & BS got a TD 7pl later, 14-0. SM fmbi'd the KO at its 16 & BS got a 32yd FG, 17-0 (6:35 2Q). SM went 55/8pl for a TD (3:17) but BS went 79/9pl for a TD, 24-7 (:39). BS had a 236-151yd edge at HT. The 1st four 3Q poss were punts. BS was int'd at the SM36 & SM was SOD at the BS21. After 2 punts, BS fmbi'd at the SM42 & SM was SOD at the BS34. SM's next drive was 5pl but they were int'd at the BS19 (6:45). BS went 75/10pl ending the game at the SM6.

RICE 45 Southern Miss 40 - Rice took its opening drive 56/8pl for a TD, 7-0. SM went 84/5pl for a TD, 7-6 (xpng). Rice was int'd & ret'd 37 yds to the 50 but 9pl later SM missed a 21yd FG. Rice was int'd at the 11 & ret'd 47 yds. Rice went 61/9pl for a 36yd FG then after a 32yd PR, went 40/4pl for a TD, 17-6 (8:24 2Q). SM went 69/7pl for a TD with :04 left 1H, 17-12 (2ptng). Rice opened the 3Q with a 69/5pl drive for a TD & rec'd a fmbi & went 28/1pl for a TD, 31-12. 2 poss later SM went 55/9pl for a TD & then 74/5pl for a TD, 31-26. Rice went 76/8pl for a TD & SM fmbi'd. Rice went 69/4pl for a TD, 45-26 (6:48). SM went 80/12pl with a 42yd TD pass (4:16). Rice punted (1:37). SM went 65/8pl for a TD with :17 left.

MEMPHIS 36 Southern Miss 30 - UM was w/o their top 2 QB's & alternated Toney (7-13-102) & Bass (10-13-130, inj 3Q). UM used a variety of trick plays taking their opening drive 79/7pl for TD. They used a hook n' ladder on the 2nd series for a 55yd gain to the 11 & Bass ran it in on the next play, 14-0. After 4 punts, SM got a 70yd run by QB Davis setting up a 27yd FG, 14-3. SM then got a 59yd pass to the 1 setting up a TD, 14-10 (3:05). UM went 75/12pl & got a TD with :12 left 1H, 20-10. Early 3Q UM fmbi'd at the SM35 & SM went 65/14pl for a TD, 20-17. UM went 54/10pl for a 43yd FG, 23-17 (:58). SM went 61/3pl for a TD & the lead, 24-23 (14:54). UM went 74/9pl for a TD, 29-24 (10:56). After 4 punts, SM (2:22) got 1 FD but on 3rd & 7 was int'd & ret'd 16 yds to the 22. Steele got a 22yd TD run on the next play, 36-24 (1:24). SM went 78/12pl & got a garbage TD on the game's final play.

SOUTHERN MISS 70 Uab 14 - UAB had 6 TO's. SM got a 69yd run by Fletcher on the game's 2nd play setting up a 10yd TD run by Davis (5 rush TD's). After a 32yd PR, Davis hit Brown with a 60yd TD pass. UAB fmbi'd the KO at their own 14 & SM added a TD 3pl later, 21-0. UAB was int'd at the SM37 & SM went 63/10pl for a TD, 28-0 after 1Q. SM led 49-7 at HT with a 346-115 yd edge & led 70-14 after 3Q's in the rout.

Southern Miss 17 UCF 6 - SM had a 338-204 yd edge. UCF took their opening drive 91/11pl for a TD, 6-0 (xpng). 4 punts. SM went 37/7pl but had a 38yd FG blk'd. SM got an int 2pl later (8:11 2Q) & went 46/10pl for a TD, 7-6 (4:08). At HT, SM had a 133-122 yd edge. SM missed a 42yd FG (10:47 3Q) then took their 2nd drive of the 3Q 85/16pl for a TD, 14-6 after 3Q's. 3 punts. SM went 71/11pl for a 29yd FG, 17-6. UCF was SOD at their own 46 & int'd at the SM48 on their final 2 drives.

SOUTHERN MISS 21 E Carolina 3 - SM had a 404-255 yd edge, but it was closer than the final. EC missed a 35yd FG in the 1Q's only scoring threat. EC settled for a 32yd FG, 3-0 (11:13). SM went 63/12pl for a TD w/4:35 left 1H & EC missed a 40yd FG with :18 left. EC had a 147-123 yd edge at HT. EC missed a 39yd FG mid-3Q then SM went 71/14pl for a TD, 14-3 (14:06). EC was int'd at the SM3 & SM got a 97yd TD pass on the next play to clinch it, 21-3 as EC had 2 P's and was int'd on their last 3 poss.

Southern Miss 28 SMU 12 - SM took its 1st drive 79/12pl for a TD, 2 punts. SMU went 57/14pl for a 40yd FG, 7-3. SMU went 83/13pl but missed a 29yd FG (:56). SMU got a 33yd IR (:05) for a 43yd FG on the last play of 1H, 7-6. 2 punts. SM went 72/6pl for a TD, 14-6 then went 65/9pl for a TD, 21-6 (3:24). SMU was int'd and SM drove 24/2pl for a TD, 28-6. SMU was int'd at the SM5 (13:54) then went 69/17pl for a TD, 28-12 but missed the 2pt conversion. SMU punted on 4th & 29 with 1:40 left.