

# 2008 GAME RECAPS

**CONNECTICUT 35 Hofstra 3** - UC had 5 TO & a KR TD called back & HU kept alive 3 UC drives with critical pen's. HU fmbld'd the punt at its own 1 & UC got a TD on the next play, 7-0 (13:03). UC went on 60/7, 76/7 & 43/5 drives for TD's & led 28-0. HU scored on a 28 yd FG. UC ended the scoring on a 88/15 drive for a TD, 11:27 4Q. UC had a 451-170 yd edge.

**Connecticut 12 TEMPLE 9 (OT)** - Pouring rain. TU opened with an 75/7pl drive for a 22 yd FG after a 1st & goal at the 8, CT went 44/pl but was int'd at the 27. UC then went 79/11pl but fumbled into EZ, missed 34 & 44 yd FG's (6:37 2Q). TU went 49/6pl for a 41 yd FG but was int'd at the UC 27 (2:10). CT got a 36 yd FG, 6-3 (13:18 4Q). CT went 31/7pl for the tying 37 yd FG, 6:35 left. TU took a big risk going for it on 4th & 1 at their own 34 & were SOD but CT missed a 47 yd FG (2:33). In OT TU got a FG & CT a TD.

**CONNECTICUT 45 Virginia 10** - VU led QB Laich at home & while Verica hit 22-30 for 158 in his 1st start, this game was a totally dominant win for CT. Virg had two 3 & out in the 1Q while CT went 70/11pl, 77/13pl, 86/5pl & 75/8pl on their four 1H poss to lead 28-0. VU was SOD at the CT 25 with 5:42 1H but UC had a 308-90 yd edge. VA opened the 3Q with an 49/11pl drive for a 43 yd FG. UC got a 63 yd TD run by Brown who had 206 yds in the first 3Q's & sat out the 4th. UVA got a 44 yd drive for a TD with 10:24 left.

**CONNECTICUT 31 Baylor 28** - CT ret'd the opening KO 54 yd & but was int'd in the EZ. BU went 67/9pl for a TD. The next 3 poss were all TD's with Brown's 1 yd TD run with 3:14 left 1H making it 14-14. 1H BU had a 201-199 yd edge. In 3Q UC got a 39 yd FG, 17-14 then each team went on long TD drives, 24-21 (5:16 3Q). BU went 70/9pl for a TD & the lead, 28-24 (11:13). CT started at the 29 & got a TD for the lead, 31-28 (6:04). BU was SOD at the UC 39.

**Connecticut 26 LOUISVILLE 21** - UL had a 508-279 yd edge but blew numerous scoring opp's & when each team lost their QB, CT got VHT Frazer off the bench & he hit 8 of 15 for 90 yds while Cantwell hobbled around the 2H (threw 210 yds 1H). UL was int'd at the 19 & CT got a 47 yd FG. UL, due to a shaky K, were SOD UC29 & UC went 71/8pl for a TD, 10-0. UL went 80/7pl for a TD (6:03) & then 88/11pl for a TD pass, 14-10 (:06). 1H, UL had a 348-183 yd edge. UL drove 55/7pl for a TD to open the 3Q, 21-10. CT drove 72 yds for a TD, 21-17 after 3Q's. CT got a 29 yd FG with 5:32. Cantwell was int'd & ret'd 45 yds for a TD, 26-21 (2:45). UL was SOD at UC29 (1:21) & than forced a punt with :21 left but was int'd at the UC30.

**N CAROLINA 38 Connecticut 12** - CT had a 378-263 yd edge but NC blk'd 3 punts & got an IR TD. Both went on long drives for a short FG's, 3-3 (2:44 1Q). CT was int'd & ret'd 24 yds to their 15 & NC got a TD, 10-3. NC blk'd a punt & rec'd at the 19 but was int'd at the 3. NC's Carter blk'd the next punt & they rec'd it for a TD, 17-3. CT drove 52/7pl to the NC18 but was int'd at the 5 & ret'd 32 yds (:25). In 1H CT had a 169-107 yd edge. CT opened the 3Q going 68/11pl for a 31 yd FG. NC drove 57/3pl for a TD, 24-6 then got a 23 yd IR TD, 31-6 (4:09). After an 8 yd punt NC went 39/7pl for a TD, 38-6. CT went 84/11pl for a TD, 38-12 (9:23).

**RUTGERS 12 Connecticut 10** - RU had an early punt blk'd. Both teams settled for short FG's (3-3) and both missed FG's. CT went 72/12pl but missed a 23 yd FG. At the half RU had a 184-143 yd edge. CT was pinned at their 1 to open the 3Q & after their punt, RU drove 37/5pl for a TD, 10-3. CT was pinned at their 2, was tkl'd for a safety, 12-3. CT went 85/6pl & got a 47 yd TD pass, 12-10 (8:33) CT went 65/10pl but the GW 42 yd FG bounced off the upright (1:09).

**CONNECTICUT 40 Cincinnati 16** - A 6-0 TO edge for Conn was the key here. CIN QB Pike ret'd from inj but was 10 of 27 for 136 yds & sat out the 2H. Conn 3rd string Cody Endres started & hit 18 of 42 for 196. Each team got a short FG early. Conn drove 36/4pl for a TD, 10-3. CIN went 78/6pl for a TD, 10-10 after 1Q. CIN did get a 54 yd FG with :35 1H to lead 13-10. Conn went 65/7pl for a TD & CIN went 58/8pl for a 22 yd FG, 17-16 (6:53 3Q). Conn got a 47 yd FG to lead 20-16 after 3Q's. Conn got 32 & 22 yd FG, 26-16. Conn went 74/5pl for a TD & added a 28 yd IR TD.

**W Virginia 35 CONNECTICUT 13** - CT fmbld'd at the WV31 on their 1st poss then went 80/8pl for a TD. UC got 1 FD & nailed a 37 yd FG, 10-0 after 1Q. WV went 55/9pl. On 3rd & 24 White nonchalantly went down the left sideline for a 24 yd TD, 10-7. CT went 38/10pl for a 38 yd FG, 13-7 (6:49). 1H UC had a 213-112 yd edge. WV went 56/6pl for a TD & the lead, 14-13. CT was int'd & ret'd to their 33. Four plays later WV got a TD, 21-13. CT fmbld'd & it was ret'd 21 yds to their 21. WV had another TD, 28-13 after 3Q's. CT was int'd & WV went 58/4pl with a White 36 yd TD run with 3:36 left, 35-13 to ice it.

**Connecticut 39 SYRACUSE 14** - In the 1H CT had a 222-90 yd edge. SU had 1 FD in the 1Q but CT went 47/10pl & 41/6pl settling for 23 & 37 yd FG's, 6-0. SU blk'd a punt for a TD early 2Q, 7-6. CT blk'd a punt for a safety, 8-7 then after the free kick went 67/2pl with a 50 yd end around, 15-7 (8:34). SU went 70/12pl for a TD, 15-14 (2:33) but 2pl later Brown got a 49 yd TD run, 22-14 (1:53). CT got a 21 yd FG. CT got a 69 yd TD PR then a 37 yd TD IR :11 later to open up a 39-14 lead.

**USF 17 Connecticut 13** - USF took the opening KO 64 yds to the UC30. On 3rd & 7 they got a 22 yd pass to the 5 & the TD 2pl later, 7-0. USF went 73/11pl for a 29 yd FG, 10-0 (12:57 2Q). USF was SOD at their own 45 & CT went 41/12pl for a 21 yd FG, 10-3. USF got a 71 yd KR to the UC20 but was int'd at the 2 with :10 left 1H. USF had 147-76 yd edge. UC went 87/12pl got a 43 yd TD pass, 10-10. USF went 48/5pl & a 25 yd TD run by Taylor made it 17-10. UC went 47/7pl for a 35 yd FG, 17-13 (9:19). UC was driving but fmbld'd at the USF25 (5:37). USF got 2 FD's & nearly had the clinching FD but Grothe went backwards 2 yds at the sticks but retained poss an took knee.

**Pittsburgh 34 CONNECTICUT 10** - The 1H was a def struggle with CT having a 98-36 yd edge. CT missed a 53 yd FG which Pitt ret'd 44 yds on its first poss. Pitt blk'd a punt & rec'd at the CT 8 for a 21 yd FG. UC went 43/11pl for a 45 yd FG, 3-3. Pitt fmbld'd at their own 48, was int'd at the UC15 (1:50). McCoy got a 45 yd TD run on Pitt's first 3Q drive then after an int was ret'd to the UC 7, Pitt settled for a 21 yd FG, 13-3. Brown got a 57 yd TD run but one play later. Pitt got a 61 yd TD pass to Kinder, 20-10 after 3Q's. Lorenzen was int'd on the final drive of the 3Q & after an 18 yd punt, Pitt got a 28 yd TD pass, 27-10 (:07). QB Frazer came & was int'd on 3x. The 3rd was ret'd 20 yds for a TD, 24-10. Lorenzen came in with 6:46 left & led a 65/8pl drive but were SOD at the Pitt 9 (3:48).