

2006 GAME RECAPS

TEXASTECH 35 Smu 3 - SMU went [68/14] for a 38 yd FG & led 3-0. TT went [80/8], [63/7], & [77/9] for TD's, 21-3. SMU got a 54 yd PR to TT26 but missed a 49 yd FG. TT drove [34/13] to SMU19 but missed a 51 yd FG (4:57 3Q). SMU had a 1&gl at the 10 but fmb'l'd (11:18) & TT went [72/11] for the spread covering TD with 6:33 left.

NTEXAS 24 Smu 6 - SMU opened w/a 3&out & NT blk'd the punt & rec'd for TD, their first 1Q TD in 14 games. NT drove [43/8] & got a pass to the 9 but fmb'l'd (3:56) & led 7-0 at half. SMU took their open 3Q drive [63/11] for TD, 7-6 (xpng, 9:04). NT went [80/8] for TD w/a Wilson 32 yd run, 14-6. SMU ret'd KO to NT27 but a pen moved them back to the 42 & they punted. NT went [90/15] but settled for 22 yd FG, 17-6 (9:37). SMU fmb'l'd at their own 33 & NT got a clinching TD 5 plays later, 24-6 (2:00).

SMU 45 Sam Houston St 14 - Justin Willis completed 18 of 19 passes. SMU rolled up 443 yds off, scoring their most pts at Ford Stadium since it opened in 2001. Willis started game w/13 consec compl, the 2nd longest streak in SMU history. SMU open w/an [80/8] drive for TD then got a [29/5] TD drive, 14-0. SMU led 35-0 at half. SH got 2 garbage TD's after being down 45-0.

SMU 55 Arkansas St 9 - SMU went [74/7] for TD after conv on 4&1 w/a 40 yd pass to the 6. ASU got 69 yd TD pass, 7-6 (xpblk'd, 8:49). SMU went [63/12] for TD, 14-6. They ran a fleaflipper & WR Sledge hit Chase w/a 75 yd TD pass, 21-6 (14:20 2Q). Willis would have 4 1H TD passes & SMU led 38-6. ASU fmb'l'd at their own 40 & SMU got 27 yd FG, 41-6. ASU went on a [69/14] drive but settled for 20 yd FG & then fmb'l'd at the goal line early 4Q. SMU went [80/9] for TD & added a 2 yd fmb'l'd punt snap for TD.

Smu 33 TULANE 28 - TU's first home game in over a year. TU was pinned at its own 5 & on 4&9 faked a punt which was wide open but dropped by Batiste who had the ball in both hands. SMU got TD 3 plays later on a 6 yd drive. SMU got 28 yd PR set up a [20/6] drive for 34 yd FG, 10-0 & SMU added a [74/12] drive for TD w/:45 left in half. In 3Q TU went on a [32/11] drive but missed 32 yd FG. Three plays later they got 30 yd IR for TD, 17-7. SMU went [74/16] for 23 yd FG, 20-7 (14:49). TU drove [90/5] for 35 yd TD pass. Then SMU went on a [58/7] drive & missed 39 yd FG, TU went [77/14] for TD & the lead, 21-20 (7:52). Henderson ret'd KO 100 yds for TD (2ptng), 26-21. TU fmb'l'd on their own 30 on next play. SMU conv on 3&7 for FD to the 19 & on 3&10 got 19 yd TD pass, 33-21 (4:10). TU went [83/10] for TD w/2:33 left but SMU rec'd outside kick.

UTEP 24 Smu 21 - SMU susp'd starting QB Willis. UTEP had 21-7 FD & 387-190 yd edges & led 17-0 at half w/TD drives of [80/13], [9/3] (after 63 yd PR) & a 28 yd FG after a [63/11] drive. UTEP was also int'd at the 1. In 2H SMU got 56 yd pass & then on 4&2 a 19 yd TD pass, 17-7 (8:30). SMU went [44/4] for TD, 17-14, 3Q's. SMU was SOD at its own 44 early 4Q but UTEP fmb'l'd & SMU ret'd it 80 yds for TD for a stunning 21-17 lead (11:54). UTEP went [87/7] for TD & SMU's last 2 drives ended on int's at UTEP 48 & 41.

SMU 31 Marshall 21 - SMU opened w/a [38/8] drive but missed 44 yd FG. MU went [39/12] but missed 54 yd FG (13:55 2Q). SMU brought Willis in at QB & went [63/9] for TD, 7-0. MU got 1 FD & punted but a face mask on the punt gave them a FD & they continued on an [89/14] drive for TD, 7-7 (5:32). Willis fmb'l'd on 3&3 and MU went [33/5] for TD, 14-7 (2:07). SMU went [63/9] & settled for 34 yd FG, 14-10. MU was int'd at their own 28 & SMU got TD 2 plays later, 17-14 (7:40). SMU went [55/12] but was SOD on 4&1 at UM22. MU went [75/8] for TD, 21-17 (12:03). SMU went [80/11] for TD & the lead, 24-21 & MU fmb'l'd KO & SMU went [22/2] for the frontdoor cover, 31-21 (5:44). MU was int'd on their last 2 drives.

E CAROLINA 38 Smu 21 - EC opened w/a [93/7] & a [79/11] drive for TD's & led 14-0 (2:10 1Q). SMU answered w/a [68/12] drive for TD & EC was SOD at SMU37. SMU went [63/7] for TD & tied it at 14 (5:34 2Q). EC went [85/14] for TD w/:29 left in half, 21-14. EC opened 3Q w/a 51 yd KR then a [31/8] drive & a 36 yd FG. SMU missed 45 yd FG. SMU got 27 yd PR to the 50 but was SOD on 4&2 at EC28 (1:10 3Q). SMU punted & EC went [52/9] for a clinching TD, 31-14 (7:19). SMU fmb'l'd on their own 30 & EC got 30 yd TD pass on next play, 38-14 (6:01). SMU went [78/15] for TD w/1:04 left, 38-21.

SMU 22 Uab 9 - Tues night game on ESPN on Halloween. SMU was int'd at the 50 & UAB went [41/10] but settled for 25 yd FG, 3-0. SMU went [70/12] with UAB jumping offside 4x. The most crucial offside came after SMU connected on a 31 yd FG. They took the pts off the board & got a TD on 3&gl from the 3 & led 7-3 (1:22). UAB got 21 yd pass to the 10 & got 26 yd FG on final play of half, 7-6. UAB opened 3Q w/a [29/9] drive but missed 37 yd FG. UAB went [62/16] & this time settled for 40 yd FG, their 4th drive in the RZ. SMU started at UAB43. After an offside pen gave them a FD they got 30 yd TD run by Mapps & the 2 pt conv made it, 15-9 (7:22). UAB facing a 2&30 at its own 10 was int'd & ret'd 11 yds for TD w/2:34 left.

Houston 37 SMU 27 - SMU fmb'l'd on the first play & UH went [21/3] for TD. UH got 77 yd TD run by Alridge & he rushed for career high 225 yds & it was 14-0 (8:26 1Q). SMU went [62/4] & [91/9] for TD's, the latter drive was kept alive after UH jumped offside on a 41 yd FG which was short. UH fmb'l'd at their own 24 setting up an SMU FG & had punt blk'd but SMU was SOD at the 10. UH was SOD on 4&16 at SMU39 w/5:15 in half & the Mustangs went [61/12] for TD w/:36 left, 24-14. UH was SOD at SMU34 on their open 3Q drive but then went [76/19] settling for 22 yd FG. For the 2nd straight game they got 77 yd TD run by Alridge, 24-24 (2:05). SMU went [50/11] for 35 yd FG, 27-24. UH went [94/14] for TD w/6:52 left & after a fmb'l, got a [61/1] TD run by Battle, 37-27 (4:05) but missed the xp. SMU went [48/8] but on 4&10 their pass was inc at UH32 (1:37).

SMU 34 Tulsa 24 - TU scored on all four 1H poss. They opened w/a [63/15] drive but settled for 21 yd FG. That came after they had conv on 4&1 at the 6. SMU got 1 FD & punted 29 yds OOB at TU30. TU went [70/11] for TD, 10-0 (12:34). SMU went [80/8]. A 10 yd TD pass made it 10-7 (9:14). TU went [80/5], the key a 56 yd pass down to the 5 to Adams. The 2&gl 12 yd TD pass made it 17-7 (6:14). SMU went 3&out. TU went [54/10] for TD, 24-7 (:36). SMU was sk'd on final play of half. SMU in 3Q got 38 yd pass down to the 21 setting up 35 yd FG. SMU got 2 FD's getting to the 29 but settled for 47 yd FG, 24-13 (3:25). TU fmb'l'd KO at its own 24 & SMU got TD 4 plays later, 24-19 (2ptng, 1:25). SMU went [74/6] & a 6 yd TD run by Willis & the 2 pt conv made it 27-24 (12:46). TU punted (10:25). SMU went [87/12] & a 14 yd TD run by Warren made it 34-24.

RICE 31 Smu 27 - Misleading final as neither topped 300 yds offense & most scores were set up by TO's. In 1Q SMU scored 17 pts with [51/5] & [46/1] (after int) yd drives for TD's & a 2 yd drive for 38 yd FG, 17-0. In 2Q SMU went [66/4] for TD & after an int drove 5 yds for TD & rec'd a fmb'l for TD but after a 1&gl at the 1 settled for 34 yd FG w/:14 left & led 24-17 w/a 143-83 yd edge. Rice opened 3Q w/an [83/10] drive for TD, 24-24. SMU drove [76/7] & had a 1&gl at the 1 again & settled for 25 yd FG, 27-24 (6:14 3Q). SMU missed 50 yd FG then Rice was int'd at SMU4 (13:11 4Q) & SOD at SMU44 (9:52). Rice drove [67/8] for TD (4:05) & SMU got to Rice44 but was int'd at the 4 (1:00).