

2008 GAME RECAPS

WISCONSIN 38 Akron 17 - UW opened with 67/9pl & 61/4pl TD drives & a 72/13pl drive for a 32 yd FG, 17-0 after 1Q. UA went 73/10pl for a TD. UW fmbld into the EZ for a TB & then drove 74/13pl but after a 1&g1 at the 6 was int'd & ret'd 62 yds to their 38. UA got a 26 yd FG with :02 left (1H) & only trailed 17-10 despite being outgained 297-139. UW went 55/7pl, 28/7pl (after fmbld) & 80/11pl for TD's on their 1st 3 poss of the 2H, 38-10. UA went 42/6pl for a TD with :38 left, 38-17.

Akron 42 SYRACUSE 28 - UA conv on 7 of 8 3rd downs in the 1H. They took their opening drive 65/7pl for a TD & then on 3&23 Kennedy broke numerous tkls on a 35 yd TD run, 14-0 after 1Q. The next 4 poss were TD's with UA's coming with :22 left in the 1H, 28-14. UA had a 293-161 1H yd edge. SU went 69/7pl for a TD. UA missed a 41 yd FG. Two poss later SU drove 56yd/6pl for a TD to tie it (12:56). UA went 78/10pl for a TD. SU was SOD on 4&1 at the UA46 & the Zips went 54/5pl for the clinching TD (2:43).

Ball St 41 AKRON 24 - BS took its opening drive 68/5pl for a TD. UA ret'd the KO 49 yds & got a 34 yd FG, 7-3. BS was int'd in the EZ. Two poss later BS went 55/9pl for a 31 yd FG, 10-3. UA got to the BS23 but was int'd. BS fmbld it back at its 10 & UA got a TD 2pl later, 10-10. BS went 43/9pl but punted 33 yds to the 4. Six pl later UA was int'd. BS drove 63/9pl for a TD, 17-10 (1:11). At the half BS had a 267-215 yd edge. BS got a 33 yd FR for a TD (9:26 3Q) then drove 80/7pl for a TD to get some breathing room, 31-10. The Zips got no closer than 14 points after that.

Akron 22 ARMY 3 - Army had a 5-1 TO deficit. UA had a 357-223 yd edge. UA took its opening poss 69/13pl & went 68/9pl settling for two 25 yd FG. Army went 73/12pl but fmbld at the UA21. UA got a 49 yd pass foll'd 2pl later by a 25 yd TD pass, 9-0 (xpng, 6:14 2Q). Army got a 36 yd FG on the last play of 1H, 9-3. UA had a 247-136 yd edge. UA on their 1st 3Q poss had a 10pl drive for a 36 yd FG. Army went on a 12pl drive but punted. Army lost a fmbld on 4&3 at its 41. UA fmbld but Army fmbld it back 2pl later at its 24 & 5pl later UA got a TD (8:22), 19-3. Army was int'd. UA added a 37 yd FG (4:02). Army went 9pl to the UA15 but a comp to the UA1 was fmbld & UA recovered in the EZ.

Cincinnati 17 AKRON 15 - UC went 76/10pl for a TD. UA got a 26 yd FG, 7-3 after 1Q. UC was SOD at the 1 & at the UA25 (2:21). UA hit a 7 yd TD pass with just :09 left 1H & led 9-7. UC got a 67 yd TD pass early 3Q, 14-9. UA was SOD at the UC5. Two poss later UC fmbld at its 24. UA got a TD 5pl later, 15-14 (2ptng). UC fmbld again at its 33 but UA missed a 44 yd FG. UC went 44/9pl for a 48 yd FG. After an exchange of punts, UA got 2 FD's but was int'd at its 44 (1:31) & UC ran out the clock.

Akron 30 KENT ST 27 (2OT) - UA took its 1st poss 62/5pl for a TD. KS fmbld at midfield but UA was int'd & ret'd to the UA48. KS went 48/9pl for a TD. UA ret'd the KO to the KS41 & got a 33 yd FG, 10-7. KS went 68/10pl for a TD then after an int (4:53) drove 46/5pl for a TD, 21-10 at the half. KS had a 17:20-12:40 TOP edge. UA went 54/10pl for a TD early 3Q. KS was SOD at the UA31 then missed a 27 yd FG after a 63/13pl drive. UA went 3 & out on 4 straight poss but KS fmbld a punt with 4:24 left. UA on 4&11 had an inc overturned & ruled a TD (1:28). KS went 8pl for a 32 yd FG with no time left for OT. KS got a 34 yd FG in OT. UA lost 16 yds on a fmbld snap but on 3&22 got a 21 yd pass setting up a 32 yd FG. In the 2nd OT UA got a 25 yd FG & KS missed a 23 yd'r.

Bowling Green 37 AKRON 33 - BG went 12pl but missed a 34 yd FG. UA on its 2nd poss went 87/11pl for a TD, 7-0 after 1Q. BG fmbld at its 41 & UA got a 37 yd TD pass 3pl later. BG went 68/5pl for a TD. UA after a 42 yd KR went 43/2pl for a TD, 21-7 (2:58). BG got a 62 yd KR & went 33/8pl, for a TD (:42). UA opened the 3Q with a 47 yd FG then after a 28 yd IR, got a 26 yd FG, 27-14. Two poss later BG went 61/7pl for a TD. BG got a 23 yd IR & a TD 2pl later for the lead, 28-27. Each tm had long TD drives & missed the 2pt conv, 34-33 (4:52). UA was SOD at its 32 & BG got a 44 yd FG (2:20), 37-33. UA got to the BG33 but was SOD on 4&8.

Akron 42 E MICHIGAN 35 - UA was up 10-0 early 2Q. EM later got a TD to make it 17-14. UA went 42/3pl for a TD, 24-14 at half. UA had a 270-200 yd edge. EM opened the 3Q with a 76/11pl TD drive, 24-21. UA went 72/4pl for a TD, 31-21. EM missed a 27 yd FG and UA nailed a 27 yd'r, 34-21. UA went 68/5pl but missed a 29 yd FG. EM went 80/6pl for a TD (5:41) & then rec'd a fmbld at the UA11. They got a TD 3pl later for a stunning 35-34 lead (3:49). UA went 72/11pl. They lined up for a 26 yd FG & it was blk'd but the holder caught the deflection & ran it for a FD to the EM4. RB Kennedy's TD run on the next play gave UA the unbelievable win.

AKRON 47 Toledo 30 - Wed night. UA took its opening drive 63/7pl for a TD then blk'd a punt & rec'd for a TD. UA drove 92/7pl for a TD, 21-0. UT went 53/9pl for a 28 yd FG, 21-3 after 1Q. UA went 43/9pl to the 17 but was int'd in the EZ. UT went 80/11pl for a TD, 21-10. UA went on a 71/14pl drive & got a 23 yd FG with :02 left, 24-10. At the half UA had a 258-137 yd edge. UT opened the 3Q with a 73/8pl TD drive (xp blk'd, ret'd for 2pt). UT forced a 3 & out & went 81/8pl for a TD, 26-23. UA went 63/7pl for a TD & got an int 3pl later & went 28/7pl for a TD, 40-23 (12:51). UA went 71/6pl for a TD with 8:01 left to ice it, 47-23.

Buffalo 43 AKRON 40 (4OT) - Rubber Bowl finale. UB opened with a 71/10pl for a TD. UA ret'd the KO to the UB44 but missed a 27 yd FG. UB went 69/8pl for a FG, 10-0. UA got a 57 yd TD pass, 10-7. UB went 74/17pl but had a 23 yd FG blk'd. UA went 47/7pl but a pers foul forced a 50 yd FG which hit the crossbar. UB went 67/13pl for a TD & appeared in control, 17-7. UB punted and UA drove for a 49 yd FG (:08). At half UB had a 22:39-7:21 TOP edge & 289-170 yd edge but only led by 7. UA opened the 3Q with a 76/7pl TD drive. UB went 89/16pl for a TD, 24-17. UA fmbld at the UB48. 3 punts. UA went 80/12pl for a TD (:20) to force OT. In the first OT each got a TD, in the 2nd each got a FG. Each got a TD in the 3OT but missed the 2pt. UA fmbld & UB got a 40 yd FG for the win.

OHIO 49 Akron 42 - UA took its opening drive 65/13pl for a TD but OU got a 66 yd PR TD, 7-7 after 1Q. OU went 65/11pl for a TD. UA went 59/10pl for a TD, 14-14 (6:42). OU went 66/8pl for a TD. UA got a 60 yd TD pass on 3&11, 21-21 (1:18). OU got a 63 yd KR by Garrett & a 19 yd TD pass on the first play, 28-21. UA missed a 47 yd FG. OU took its 2nd 3Q poss 59/6pl for a TD, 35-21. UA, 2 poss later, went 59/10pl for a TD but Garrett got a 97 yd KR TD, 42-28. UA punted on its next 2 poss but OU's spec tms then imploded. They fmbld the punt at the 30 & UA got a TD 5pl later, 42-35. OU fmbld the KO & UA went 34/11pl for a TD (2:12) to tie. OU went 74/10pl for a TD with :32 left.

TEMPLE 27 Akron 6 - After 3 punts, TU was int'd at the UA40 & 4pl later UA was int'd at the TU22. TU went 50/9pl for a TD (xpng), 6-0 (9:08). TU went 58/12pl but missed a 34 yd FG (:33). TU had a 185-114 yd 1H edge. TU fmbld at its 44 but UA had a 32 yd FG blk'd 8pl later. After a 15 yd PR, UA went 8pl but missed a 41 yd FG. TU was int'd at its 37 & UA got a 24 yd FG, 6-3 after 3Q. TU was SOD on 4&2 at the 5. UA got a 72 yd run by Kennedy to the 23 but settled for an 18 yd FG, 6-6. TU then got a 50 yd pass to the 4 setting up a TD on the next play, 13-6 (7:59). UA was int'd & ret'd 56 yds to the 18 & 5pl later TU got a TD to ice it, 20-6 (4:02). UA was int'd & ret'd 19 yds. TU had a 38 yd FG blk'd but rec'd for a FD at the 9 & got a TD on the next play, 27-6 (2:29). UA was SOD at the TU37.