

2008 GAME RECAPS

Bowling Green 27 PITTSBURGH 17 - Pitt had a 493-254 yd edge and opened with a 71/8pl TD drive. Early 2Q they went 41/11pl for a TD, conv on 4&2 at the BG30, 14-0. BG went 73/8pl for a TD, 14-7 and 2 poss later went 52/7pl for a TD (1:31), 14-14. Pitt went 36 yds and nailed a 36 yd FG on the last play of the half. Despite a 13-7 FD edge Pitt only led 17-14. BG had a 59/9pl TD drive, 20-17. BG ret'd a fmb'l for a TD but it was called back for an inadvertent whistle. Pitt fmb'l'd again on their next drive at its 11 and BG got a TD 2pl later 27-17. Pitt was SOD at the BG44 and later missed a 42 yd FG. Pitt's final drive got to the BG29 but they were int'd in the EZ with 1:26 left.

Minnesota 42 BOWLING GREEN 17 - Closer than the final as 5 BG TO's. UM opened with a 71/8pl TD drive. BG missed a 34 yd FG (63/11pl). BG went 69/11pl for a TD mid-2Q, 7-7. UM went 48/5pl for a TD (6:48). Two poss later BG went 43/12pl but settled for a 26 yd FG. BG had a 231-82 yd edge at half. BG fmb'l'd the 3Q opening KO and UM "drove" 23 yd for a TD, 21-10. BG went 81/8pl for a TD, 21-17. BG threatened to take the lead but was int'd the UM27 (14:11). UM then went 73/9pl for a TD and after a pair of BG fmb'l's, went 28 and 14 yds for TD's and a misleading final.

BOISE ST 20 Bowling Green 7 - BG took its opening poss 10pl but a 42 yd FG hit off the upright. BS QB Moore hit his first 11 passes as BS went 76/12pl and 98/12pl for TD's, 13-0. BG missed a 35 yd FG (70/13pl). BS went 80/6pl for a TD, 20-0 (3:00 2Q). BS fmb'l'd at the BG39 to open the 3Q. After roughing the P kept alive a BG drive but BG fmb'l'd at the end of a FD pass at the BS30. Two poss later BG went 52/13pl for a TD, 20-7 (11:10). BG was driving again when QB Sheehan went out for a play and bkup Beam gained 7 yds but fmb'l'd. Replays showed Beam's knee was down but it was not overturned (5:08). BG went 51/4pl to the BS9 but was int'd at the 8 (1:17).

Bowling Green 45 WYOMING 16 - BG took its opening drive 62/11pl but on 4&gl at the 2 fmb'l'd. WY QB Crum was int'd and ret'd 19 yd for a TD. Sween came in for WY. Three poss later WY went 61/11pl for a 49 yd FG, 7-3. BG went 80/9pl for a TD, 14-3. After a 23 yd P, WY went 35/3pl for a TD, 14-10. BG went on a 63/9pl drive and got a 34 yd TD pass on 4&4 w/:47 left in the half. WY then fmb'l'd and BG added a 44 yd FG w/:06 left, 24-10. BG had a 215-137 yd edge. WY was int'd to open the 3Q and BG went 41/2pl for a TD, 31-20. Stutzriem came in at QB and WY got 2 FD's but from the BG30 was int'd in the EZ. Roughing the P kept alive BG's next drive and went 80/10pl for a TD, 38-10. BG went on a 42/11pl drive but was SOD at the 24. Crum came in but was int'd & ret'd 41 yds to the WY22. BG added a TD 4 pl later, 45-10. Sween directed a late 80/11pl TD drive w/:50 left (xpng).

E Michigan 24 BOWLING GREEN 21 - EM conv on 4&1 at its 29 but punted after 1 more FD. BG went 88/14pl for a TD and later went 50/12pl but a sk forced a 52 yd FG which they missed (4:38). EM faced a 3&7 and got a huge 27 yd pass. Instead of punting, they got a 31 yd pass on the next play and 2pl later a 1 yd TD run capped the 65/6pl drive, 7-7 (2:34). EM missed a 50 yd FG on the last play of the half. EM opened the 3Q with a 60/10pl drive for a 28 yd FG. BG went 68/5pl with a 46 yd TD pass, 14-10. EM answered with a 78/13pl TD drive to lead 17-14 (:09 3Q). BG went 71/7pl for a TD. EM went 3&out (3:16). BG got 1 FD but punted (1:21). EM went 77/6pl and got a 16 yd TD pass (:36). BG got 2 FD's but a 53 yd FG was wide left.

Bowling Green 37 AKRON 33 - BG went 12pl but missed a 34 yd FG. UA on their 2nd poss went 87/11pl for a TD, 7-0 after 1Q. BG fmb'l'd at its 41 and 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 and went 33/8pl for a TD (:42). UA opened the 3Q with an 11pl drive for 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 to the UA6 and a TD 2pl later for the lead, 28-27. Each tm had long TD drives and missed the 2pt conv, 34-33 (4:52). UA was SOD at its own 32 and BG got a 44 yd FG (2:20), 37-33. UA got to the BG 33 but was SOD on 4&8.

Miami, Oh 27 BOWLING GREEN 20 - BG opened with a 42/9pl drive for a 31 yd FG. MU went 60/7pl for a TD. Two poss later, BG went on a 12pl drive to the MU40 but punted. MU went 71/5pl with a 53 yd TD pass, 14-3. Two poss later BG went 67/4pl for a TD, 14-10 at half. BG had a 177-168 yd edge. BG got a 73 yd PR early 3Q setting up an 11 yd TD drive, 17-14. BG went 57/7pl for a 34 yd FG, 20-14. MU drove 48/6pl and 38/8pl for 37 and 36 yd FG's to tie (11:51). BG got a FD at the MU26 but was int'd at the 2 and ret'd to the 25. MU went 75/10pl for a TD (2:35). BG was SOD at the MU47.

ILLINOIS 16 Bowling Green 13 - Harnish had 113 yds rushing, the 1st NI QB to top 100 yds S/90. NI partially blk'd a BG P and went 17/6pl and Salerno hit a sch'l rec 52 yd FG, 3-0. BG got 2 FD's but P NI was int'd at its 38 and ret'd 17 yds but BG settled for a 29 yd FG, 3-3. After a NI 25 yd punt (NI36), BG settled for a 20 yd FG, 6-3. NI went 48/13pl incl a 4&4 conv but missed a 49 yd FG on the last play of the half. At half NI had a 106-88 yd edge. NI opened the 3Q with an 80/17pl TD drive, 10-6 that took over 10 min. BG31 went 69/8pl for a TD, 13-10. NI went 72/16pl for a 25 yd FG, 13-13. NI blk'd a punt and rec'd at the BG37 (5:01) and hit a 30 yd FG with :12 left. BG fmb'l'd the KO and NI took a knee.

BOWLING GREEN 45 Kent St 30 - BG led 28-0 at half with a 330-129 yd edge. BG was int'd at the KS4 on their opening drive but KS was int'd and ret'd to their 19 setting up a TD on 4&2. KS was int'd at the BG3. BG then drove 92/11pl, 65/10pl and 83/8pl for TD's, 28-0. KS pulled within 31-15 and went on a 52/10pl drive but had a 41 yd FG blk'd. BG went 51/5pl for a TD. KS went on a 75/13pl TD drive but BG rec' the onside kick and drove 40 yds for a TD, 45-23. KS went 67/6pl for a TD (2:29). BG punted (2:10). KS went 53 yds on but was SOD at the BG27.

Bowling Green 28 OHIO 3 - BG controlled. OU opened with a 44/9pl drive to the BG35 but was int'd and ret'd 38 yds. BG went 41/7pl for a TD. BG went 75/8pl for a TD, 14-0 (6:29) then missed a 40 yd FG (53/11pl). BG had 206-81 yd edge at half. OU opened the 3Q with a 21 yd FG, 14-3 (68/10pl). BG answered with an 80/15pl TD drive, 21-3. BG got a 25 yd IR and went 9/3pl for a TD, 28-3 after 3Q's. OU went on a 13pl drive getting a FD at the BG14 but punted from the 38 (8:09). OU went on a 10pl drive and had a 4&gl at the 1 but on 4&6 (pen) fired inc (3:07).

Buffalo 40 BOWLING GREEN 34 (2OT) - BG led 14-0 at the half despite being SOD at the UB27 and int'd at the UB2 with :17 left in the half. BG extended it to 27-7 (13:16). UB got a TD with 11:06 left but then was SOD on 4th & 6 at its own 26 and their MAC Title hopes were done. Amazingly BG lined up for a 37 yd FG and fmb'l'd the snap. UB went 71/7pl for a TD (2:29). They then rec'd the onside kick and drove 58/9pl for a TD to force OT. UB won it in the 2nd OT after BG was SOD on 4&2.

Bowling Green 38 TOLEDO 10 - BG dominated. At half they had a 267-(-11) yd edge. They went 50/5pl for a TD, rec'd a fmb'l at the 4 and got a TD on the next pl. They had a 1&gl at the UT7 but fmb'l'd, then were int'd at the UT16 on FD and fmb'l'd at the UT32 on FD. BG went 42/11pl for a 33 yd FG and only led 17-0 at half. UT threatened to get back in it with a 71/11pl drive to open the 3Q but settled for a 25 yd FG. BG went 61/6pl for a TD, then got a 70 yd TD run by Geter, 31-3. Toledo got 139 of their yds on the last 2 drives.