

2008 GAME RECAPS

EASTERN MICHIGAN 52 Indiana St 0 - Indiana St was without their starting QB Dowdell and EM dominated with a 637-132 yd edge, leading 28-0 at the half and 42-0 after 3Q's.

MICHIGAN ST 42 Eastern Michigan 10 - MSU took its opening drive 59/14pl but fmbld into the EZ for a TB. Two poss later They went 46/7pl for a TD. EM went on an 80/6pl TD drive, 7-7. Two poss later EM was pinned at their 4 and punted. MSU went 28/5pl for a TD (5:35) then 50/6pl for a TD, 21-7 (1:04). At the half MSU had a 223-117 yd edge. EM took its 2nd 3Q poss 96/14pl but had a TD called back (hold) and were SOD on a fake 22 yd FG. MSU went 98/7pl for a TD, 28-7. A 78 yd PR to the 7 set up MSU for a TD. EM went on an 53/10pl drive but missed a 41 yd FG. MSU went 76/10pl for a TD, 42-7. EM got a 24 yd FG with 1:24 left.

Toledo 41 EASTERN MICHIGAN 17 - Played in heavy rain for the first 3Q's. UT took its opening drive 72/3pl for a TD. The 1H had 8 TO's due to the sloppy weather incl TO's on 3 consec drives. EM fmbld late 1Q and UT ret'd it to the 1 and got a TD 2 pl later, 14-0. UT fmbld at their 47 and 9 pl later EM got a TD, 14-7. That was the score at the half with EM having a 130-115 yd edge. UT opened the 3Q with a 40/6pl TD drive. Then after an int went 36/2pl for a TD and 61/3pl for a TD on their next poss, 34-7 (8:18 3Q). UT, after a fmbld PR, drove 17 yds for a TD, 41-7 after 3Q's. EM had 55/10pl and 80/9pl drives for a FG and TD in the 4Q.

MARYLAND 51 E Michigan 24 - In the 1H EM had a 15-8 FD and 291-178 yd edge but MD led 24-14. MD blk'd a punt setting up a 23 yd FG. EM was int'd in the EZ from the 5 to end a 75 yd drive. MD went 80/10pl for a TD. EM was SOD at the MD38 and then int'd at their own 47. Five plays later MD had a TD, 17-0. EM went 80/11pl for a TD but MD got a 57 yd KR and on the next play, a 32 yd TD pass, 24-7 (4:49). EM went 80/11pl for a TD, 24-14 (:38). MD got to the EM but was int'd at the 16. MD went 54/4pl for a TD to open the 3Q, 31-14. EM went 69/11pl for a 23 yd FG, 31-17. MD went 63/7pl for a 21 yd FG, 34-17. MD was int'd at the EM 25 but after EM was SOD at their own 31, got a 33 yd FG, 37-17. Each team went on a long TD drive, 44-24. MD took over with 5:37 left and drove 80/7pl for a TD (1:20).

N Illinois 37 E MICHIGAN 0 - EM was int'd on the gm's 3rd pl and NI ret'd it 19 yds to the 19 but missed a 36 yd FG. EM went on a 9pl drive but punted. NI went 83/12pl for a TD. QB McMahon was inj'd and an ailing QB Schmitt was int'd on the first pass and ret'd 20 yds to the 11. NI got a TD 2pl later. EM went on a 12pl drive but was SOD at the 35. NI went 65/6pl for a TD, 21-0. EM went on a 14pl drive but missed a 47 yd FG and despite NI only having a 163-138 yd edge at the half, it was 21-0. NI opened the 3Q with an 85/11pl TD drive. EM took its 2nd 3Q drive 43/10pl but was SOD at the NI40. EM's next drive went 9pl but was SOD at the NI40. NI went 60/8pl for a TD, 35-0. EM was SOD at the NI24 (6:32). NI tacked on a safety (1:29) with a sack of EM's 3rd string QB Williams.

E Michigan 24 BOWLING GREEN 21 - EM conv on 4&1 at their own 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). 4 punts. 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.

ARMY 17 E Michigan 13 - Army opened with a 61/3pl TD drive, 7-0. Two poss later Army got a 67 yd run by Mooney who rushed for 229 yds but was SOD at the 12. EM went 63/11pl for a 43 yd FG, 7-3. EM went 66/7pl for a TD, 10-7 (7:49). Army fmbld at its 47 and EM added a 38 yd FG and led 13-7 at half with a 155-135 yd edge. Army opened the 3Q with a 61/6pl drive but settled for an 18 yd FG. EM went 67/10pl but had a 22 yd FG blk'd. Army then went 80/14pl for a TD, 17-13. Army went 45/9pl but fmbld a the EM32. Two poss later EM was SOD at its 36 (2:04). Army was SOD at the EM27 (1:40) and EM on 4&14 fired inc with :59 left.

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 went 59/9pl but missed a 27 yd FG. UA went 70/11pl for a 27 yd FG, 34-21. UA went 68/5pl but missed a 29 yd FG. EM went 80/6pl for a TD (5:41) and 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 and it was blk'd but the holder caught the deflection and ran it for a FD to the EM4. RB Kennedy got a TD run on the next play.

BALL ST 38 E Michigan 16 - This one was close in the 1H as EM did not go 3&out until 5:18 was left in the 2Q. EM took their opening drive 13pl but punted. BS went 55/8pl for a 27 yd FG, 3-0. EM went 35/9pl but on 4&9 was SOD at the BS34. Two poss later BS went 53/6pl for a TD (2:36). BS went 7pl to the EM21 but was int'd at the 15 (:22). BS opened the 3Q with a 60/6pl TD drive then after an int, went 82/7pl for a TD, 24-0. EM went 80/12pl for a TD, 24-7. BS got a 52 yd TD run by Lewis 2pl later, 31-7. EM went 71/14pl for a TD (9:06), 31-13 (xpng). BS rec'd the onside kick but missed a 45 yd FG. EM was int'd and ret'd 45 yds for a TD, 38-13. EM went 48/9pl for a 37 yd FG (3:03), 38-16. BS went 53/6pl ending the game at the EM7.

W MICHIGAN 31 E Michigan 10 - Closer than the final. WM opened with a 58/4pl TD drive. Two poss later WM went 59/9pl for a 32 yd FG, 10-0 after 1Q. EM went 68/6pl for a TD. WM 40/5pl for a TD, 17-7. EM was SOD at the WM29. WM fmbld at the EM3 with :55 left in the half. After EM was SOD, WM fmbld at the EM20 with :14 left. In the 3Q WM was SOD at the EM31 and on their next drive, fmbld at their own 29. That set up an EM 28 yd FG, 17-10. WM went 65/8pl for a TD. EM went 71/10pl and had a 1&gl at the 1 but was int'd in the EZ. EM was SOD at the WM40. WM went 60/5pl for a TD (2:43). EM went 75/7pl getting to the WM 2 but was int'd (1:09).

TEMPLE 55 E Michigan 52 - TU QB DiMichele set a TU rec with 6 TD passes while EM QB Schmitt set a EM records for comp, att and yds (50-76, 484 yd). EM was in control early leading 14-3 early 2Q but TU scored TD's on 3 stright poss to lead 24-21 at half. Each tm settled for a short FG and then TU went 50/5pl for a TD, 34-24. The next six poss were all TD's with TU leading by either 3 or 10 and EM's onside kick with :34 left was rec'd by TU.

E MICHIGAN 56 C Michigan 52 - EM QB Schmitt set 5 EM records and had an NCAA record 58 comp. EM opened with a 70/14pl TD drive. CM went 61/7pl but missed a 29 yd FG. EM went 80/12pl for a TD, 14-0. CM went 91 & 17 (after 36 yd PR) for TD's 14-14. EM went 67/9pl and 43 yds (after fmbld) for TD's, 28-14 (10:03). They next 5 poss all went for TD's with CM getting one with :01 left in the half to pull to 42-35. CM got a 30 yd FG to open the 3Q and then drove 81/6pl for a TD and led 45-42 (9:30 3Q). EM went 80/8pl for a TD, 49-45. CM was int'd at the EM19 but EM was SOD on a fake at their own 38. CM was SOD at the 35 and EM went 65/6pl for a TD, 56-45. CM went 56/4pl for a TD (13:56). EM was int'd and ret'd 6 yds to the CM44 but CM was SOD on 4&3 at the EM15 (5:05). EM got 2 FD's and punted (1:45) and CM was SOD on 4&10.