

2008 GAME RECAPS

ARIZONA ST 30 N Arizona 13 - This was a misleading final and misleading box as ASU had a 333-98 yd edge at the half. ASU fmbld into the EZ for a TB and settled for a 28 yd FG and led 30-0 (8:14) when they brought the backups in. Backup QB Sullivan hit 1 of 8 and produced zero FD's while NA had drives of 64, 53 and 44 yds scoring their 13 pts.

ARIZONA ST 41 Stanford 17 - ASU went 70/15 & 71/11pl but settled for short FG's while SU went 80/9pl for a TD & ASU trailed 7-6. ASU went 55/7pl for a TD, 13-7 (9:08 2Q). ASU was int'd and SU drove 30 yds for a 28 yd FG, 13-10 (:52). After the KO went OOB and roughing the passer, ASU got a 45 yd TD pass w/:29 left in the half, 20-10 & had a 297-141 yd edge. SU was int'd at midfield and ret'd 16 yds. ASU went 34/4pl for a TD, 27-10. ASU was threatening to turn it into a blowout but fmbld at the SU 37. SU went 63/6pl for a TD, 27-17 (3:07). ASU went 75/14pl for a TD, 34-17. SU was int'd at the 48 and ASU ret'd it 26 yds setting up a 22/4pl TD drive, 41-17. Loukas came in at QB for SU and from the 43 was int'd at the 3 (6:24). SU's last drive was SOD at the ASU 29.

Unlv 23 ARIZONA ST 20 (OT) - ASU took its opening drive 77/12pl but settled for a 20 yd FG. They took their 3rd poss 64/13pl but were SOD on 4th & 9 at the LV 35. LV went 38/7pl for a 44 yd FG, 3-3. ASU went 78/5pl for a TD, 10-3 (4:53) but was int'd with 1:27 left & ret'd 9 yds to their 7. LV got a 2 yd TD pass 3 plays later, 10-10 (:33). ASU went 33 yds for a 49 yd FG on the half's final play to lead 13-10. LV punted to open the 3Q & ASU went 65/5pl for a TD, 20-10. LV was SOD on 4th & 1 at the ASU 46 (3:15 3Q) but then drove 87/18pl (drive consumed 9:16). They settled for a 20 yd FG (6:28). UNLV went 74/10pl with a 1-handed TD rec by Payne with :18 left forcing OT. LV got a 20 yd FG and ASU's 35 yd FG was blk'd.

Georgia 27 ARIZONA ST 10 - It was UGA's longest trip West in a non-conf game S/1960 played in 99' heat at night. UGA took their 3rd poss 91/10pl for a TD. They blk'd a punt but had a 54 yd FG hit the left upright. They rec'd a fmbld 2 plays later & drove 46/5pl for a TD, 14-0 (7:51). ASU went 75/10pl but settled for a 25 yd FG, 14-3 (2:38). UGA then went 70/5pl for a TD w/:41 left in the half, 21-3 & had a 227-82 yd edge at the half w/WR Green having 150 yds in rec, 68 more than ASU had as a team! ASU opened the 3Q w/a 71/9pl drive for a TD, 21-10. Three poss later UGA went 55/9pl for a 29 yd FG, 24-10. After 3 punts, UGA drove 39/5pl for a 22 yd FG, 27-10 (5:49). ASU was SOD at the UGA22 (4:00) & UGA went 77/7pl ending the game at the 1 yd line trying to score.

CALIFORNIA 24 Arizona St 14 - Cal started QB Longshore. They went 67/14pl for a FG on their opening drive. ASU fmbld 3 pl later and Cal went 41/5pl for a 19 yd TD pass, 10-0. Cal was int'd at their own 42 but then went 80/5pl for a TD, 17-0 (12:28). ASU went 70/10pl for a TD (7:26) and at the half Cal had a 210-124 yd edge and a 17-7 lead. ASU was int'd at their own 30 on the 2nd 3Q poss and Cal got a TD 3pl later, 24-7. ASU went 68/14pl. They had a 43 yd FG blk'd but Cal was called for jumping over the line for a pers foul and ASU got a TD 3pl later. ASU after a 32 yd PR started at the Cal 45 but on 3rd & 10 was int'd at the 11. After 5 punts ASU took over at their 38 with 2:42 left, got 2 FD's but missed a 44 yd FG wide left with 1:05 left.

USC 28 Arizona St 0 - USC had 5 TO's and ASU 4. Both QB's Sanchez and Carpenter were ? to doubtful during the week but both played and were ineffective with Carpenter hitting 11 of 20 for 126 and Sanchez 13 of 26 for 179. USC took its opening drive 72/8pl for a TD. The next 7 poss were punts. USC went 80/7pl for a TD, 14-0 (6:15). USC got a 46 yd IR TD, 21-0 (4:56 2Q). A bad snap out of the shotgun was rec'd by USC at the ASU15. They faked a 26 yd FG and came up a yd short (3:08). At the half USC had a 252-147 yd edge. USC fmbld at its 21 and was int'd at its own 14 but ASU settled for 29 and 48 yd FG's and Moala blk'd both tying an NCAA record for blk'd FG's in a quarter. Sanchez was int'd at the ASU34 and a good pass was bobbled and int'd at the ASU40. USC got a 92/8pl drive for a TD with 8:09 left, 28-0 and backup QB Sullivan, who came in with 9:00 left in the 3Q completed his first pass with 2:00 left in the game.

Oregon 54 ARIZONA ST 20 - Masoli got the start for UO and played the first 3Q. UO went 66/5pl w/a 43 yd TD run, 7-0. UO later went 82/14pl but missed a 33 yd FG (4:30). UO, after a 19 yd punt, started at the ASU40 & 4pl later had a TD, 13-0. ASU went for it on 4th & 1 but Carpenter tripped & was sk'd for an 8 yd loss back at the 40. Four plays later UO had a TD, 20-0. UO got a 41 yd PR but fmbld at the ASU25. ASU went 3 & out. UO got a 52 yd FG, 23-0 (6:27). UO13 was int'd at the 25 & ret'd to the 1 & ASU got their only TD of the 1H, 23-6 (2:01). UO opened the 3Q with a 75/12pl drive for a TD. ASU fmbld at their own 30 & UO got a TD 2pl later, 37-6. ASU went 80/14pl for a TD, 37-13. UO went 80/4pl for a TD, 44-13. ASU was SOD & UO went 56/10pl for a 33 yd FG, 47-13 (8:11). ASU20 got 2 FD's but were SOD at the 31. UO went 69/3pl, 54-13 & ASU went 76/11pl for a garbage TD with :52 left.

OREGON ST 27 Arizona St 25 - OSU got a 21 yd PR setting up a 30/6pl drive for a TD incl a 4th & 1 conv at the 10, 7-0 (10:19). ASU went 66/18pl for a 27 yd FG, 7-3. After a 23 yd PR, ASU went 40/5pl for a 34 yd FG, 7-6 (10:19). ASU got a 58 yd PR to the OSU22 but a 44 yd FG was partially blk'd (:35). OSU gained 46 yds on the final 5pl of the half to the ASU27. ASU got a 41 yd IR TD on the 5th play of the 3Q, 13-7. OSU went 60/9pl for a TD, 14-13 (8:16). ASU went 37/7pl for a 44 yd FG and the lead, 16-14 (5:17). OSU went 48/8pl for a 45 yd FG, 17-16 (1:48). OSU then went 80/7pl and on 3rd & gl got an 11 yd TD pass, 24-16 (12:25). ASU went 65/6pl for a 29 yd FG, 24-19 (9:48). OSU went 45/10pl for a 41 yd FG, 27-19 (4:43). After ASU punted 29 yds from its own 8 (3:33), OSU missed a 45 yd FG (1:55) which would have clinched it. ASU went 72/11pl for a TD with :21 left but the 2 pt conversion was int'd & OSU rec'd the inside kick.

Arizona St 39 WASHINGTON 19 - This one was closer than the final. In the 1H ASU got a 44 yd FR TD & w/:22 left in the half got a 19 yd IR to the UW37 which set up a 29 yd FG & ASU led 16-13 w/UW having a 204-200 yd edge. UW went on an 8pl drive but settled for a 21 yd FG then blk'd a punt & rec'd at the 14 but settled for a 20 yd FG & only led 19-16. ASU punted but then went 41/8pl for a TD & the lead, 23-19 after 3Q's. ASU then went 49/8pl for a TD and after an int, 51/7pl for a TD, 37-19. They added a safety w/5:57 left, 39-19. UW was driving going 82/12pl and had a 1st & gl at the 3 but 4 passes were incomplete.

ARIZONA ST 31 Washington St 0 - WSU missed an early 41 yd FG which would have given them the lead. ASU punted on their first 2 poss but then went 42/7pl settling for a 21 yd FG, 3-0 (13:41 2Q). ASU went 73/12pl for a TD, 10-0 (3:12 2Q) & had a 158-67 yd edge at the half. ASU went 60/7pl on their opening 3Q drive for a TD, 17-0. After an int, ASU missed a 48 yd FG then went 73/8pl & Carpenter's 51 yd TD pass w/:23 left in the 3Q made it 24-0 & Carpenter would sit the rest of the game. WSU was sk'd & fmbld & ASU ret'd it 22 yds for a TD, 31-0 (14:47). WSU got to the ASU35 but punted & ASU got to the WSU15 but was SOD w/1:54 left.

ARIZONA ST 34 UCLA 9 - ASU tied an NCAA record with 4 def TD's in the same gm and won this by 25 pts despite being outgained 306-122. UCLA drove for an early 53 yd FG, 3-0. 5 punts. Craft was sk'd and fmbld. UCLA's RB picked it up and had the ball smacked out of his hands and ret'd 17 yds for a TD as the whistle did not blow, 7-3 (12:29). Two poss later ASU got a 38 yd IR TD, 14-3. UCLA would drive 66/12pl for a 38 yd FG and trailed 14-6 at the half despite a 142-86 yd edge. ASU got a 64 yd PR to the UCLA19 setting up a 31 yd FG. 2 punts. UCLA went on a 7pl drive settling for a 26 yd FG after a 1st & gl at the 5. They went 81/5pl and had a 1st & gl at the 6 but not only were they int'd in the EZ, but it was ret'd 100 yds for a TD and instead of a potential 17-17 tie, they trailed 24-9. Two plays later Craft was int'd & ret'd 45 yds for a TD (9:04) then after a 20 yd punt, ASU went 23 yds for a 38 yd FG, 34-9 (4:31).

ARIZONA 31 Arizona St 10 - UA had a 389-162 yd edge. ASU needed a win to get to a bowl and UA perhaps needed a win to keep Stoops' job. After 4 punts to open, UA went 98/12pl for a TD keyed by a 3rd & 21, 22 yd pass to the 24. ASU went 29/9pl for a 40 yd FG then after UA's P went to a knee to catch a snap at the 19, ASU got a TD 5pl later, 10-7. UA went 6pl to the ASU32 but was int'd in the EZ with :29 left in the half, 10-7. UA opened the 3Q with a 70/11pl drive for a TD then got a 47 yd IR to the 34 to turn the game. They went 34/4pl for a TD, 21-10 then got a 52 yd PR TD, 28-10 (2:22) to ice it. UA went 48-6pl for a 49 yd FG (12:34) and ASU punted with 11:18 left and was SOD on 4th & 15 at their own 30 (3:02).