

2008 GAME RECAPS

ARIZONA 70 Idaho 0 - As you would expect by the score, UA dominated with a 389-77 yd edge & led 49-0 at HT incl a TD with :09 left after UI was SOD at the UA 45 with :48 left. The backups played the 2H but they continued to dominate getting a 30 yd drive for a TD after an int for a TD with 7:27 left (after int) making it 70-0.

ARIZONA 41 Toledo 16 - AZ had the advantage of a game under their belt and UT did not get a FD in the 1Q. AZ went 3 & out on their first drive but then scored on the next 4 poss going 69/9pl for a 20 yd FG and 67/8pl for a TD, 10-0 after 1Q. UT went on a 78/14pl drive but settled for a 20 yd FG, something they would do 3 times. AZ went 53/3pl for a TD and UT went 37/9pl but settled for a 39 yd FG, 17-6 (5:28). AZ went 56/8pl for a TD, 24-6 (1:15). At half AZ only had a 206-157 yd edge. AZ opened the 3Q with an 11pl drive for a 26 yd FG and UT went on a 75/13pl drive but settled for a 21 yd FG, 27-9. AZ went 60/8pl for a TD, 34-9 (14:48). AZ was pinned at their 6 after a 51 yd punt and fmbld 2 pl later and UT got a 3 yd TD pass on the next play, 34-16 (12:52). AZ missed a 45 yd FG but got a 20 yd PR to their 42 with 7:19 left and not only ran the clock, but drove for a 3rd & 7, 12 yd TD pass with 3:27 left.

NEW MEXICO 36 Arizona 28 - K James Aho tied a school record with 5 FG's. AZ went 69/6pl for a TD. NM was int'd at the AZ 31 but got an int 2 pl later and ret'd it to the 11. They settled for a 24 yd FG, 7-3 (5:24). NM went 77/8pl for a TD, 10-7. AZ fumbled on their own 23 and NM settled for a 43 yd FG, 13-7 (13:00). AZ went 72/10pl for a TD, 14-13 (8:23). Two poss later, NM, after a 26 yd PR, drove 39/3pl for a TD, 20-14 (1:35) and had a 205-164 yd edge at the half. NM got a 29 yd FR to the 10 on the first 3Q play and a Ferguson 10 yd TD run made it 27-14. AZ went 69/11pl for a TD, 27-21 (9:54). Two poss later NM went 46/10pl for a 48 yd FG, 30-21 (2:16). AZ fumbled at their own 22 and NM got a 42 yd FG, 33-21 (14:55). AZ went 50/9pl but was SOD at the NM22 (11:14). AZ got to the NM42 but was int'd at the 28 (7:53). NM drove 32 yd for a 46 yd FG, 36-21 (5:58). AZ went 66/5pl for a TD with 4:38 left. NM got 1 FD & punted (1:27). AZ dropped a FD pass on 4th & 1 with :40 left at their own 47.

Arizona 31 UCLA 10 - UCLA got 1 FD & punted pinning AZ at the 2 but UCLA then muffed their PR and AZ got it at midfield and went for a 41 yd FG, 3-0. AZ was pinned at the 1 after a 49 yd punt and fmbld into the EZ where UCLA rec'd for a TD, 7-3 (3:41). Two poss later AZ went 48/4pl for a 22 yd TD pass, 10-7 then went 57/4pl for a TD, 17-7 (9:46). AZ was SOD at the UCLA18 (4:26) and UCLA drove 64/11pl for a 35 yd FG, 17-10 at the half with a 189-108 yd edge. Each team punted 3 times to open the 2H. AZ, after a 26 yd PR drove 26/5pl for a TD (12:49). AZ then went 75/8pl for a TD, 31-10 (6:48).

ARIZONA 48 Washington 14 - UW started Fouch at QB as Locker was inj'd. UW was going into the wind and got off a 20 yd punt and AZ got a 29 yd FG. UW fmbld at their own 36 but AZ punted. AZ went 40/2pl for a TD, 10-0 and went 40/2pl and 72/6pl for a TD and led 17-0 after 1Q. UW went 81/7pl for a TD but AZ got a 48 yd PR TD, 24-7 (8:13). UW was int'd at their own 34 and AZ got a TD 5pl later and led 31-7 at the half despite only having a 207-168 yd edge. AZ opened the 3Q with a 75/8pl drive for a TD, 46/8pl drive for a 49 yd FG, 70/6pl drive for a TD and led 48-7 after 3Q's. UW got a TD with 8:33 left and AZ went on a 66/15pl drive ending the game at the UW14.

STANFORD 24 Arizona 23 - AZ took its opening drive 84/13pl but settled for a FG after having 3rd & gl at the 1. SU went 88/11pl for a TD, 7-3. SU fmbld at their own 46 & 3 pl later got a 25 yd TD run, 10-7. AZ then got a 75 yd IR 5pl later, 17-7 (3:35). SU went 56/11pl for a 22 yd FG with :09 left, 17-10 & SU had a 229-172 yd edge at the half. Pritchard was inj'd & Forcier came in for SU & they went 45/10pl but was int'd at the AZ34. SU16 got 1 FD then a 70 yd run by Kimble & 2pl later a 1 yd TD run tied it at 17. Two poss later AZ6 went 89/12pl but settled for a 22 yd FG, 20-17 (11:55). AZ went 51/10pl but after a 1st & gl at the 6 with a chance to ice the game, settled for a 23 yd FG, 23-17 (5:48). SU brought in Loukas in at QB and he hit a 21 yd pass & got 16, 5 & 7 yd runs all for FD's & Gerhart's 1 yd TD run capped the 60/11pl drive with :25 left to pull out the win.

ARIZONA 42 California 27 - After an AZ fmbld, Cal drove 43/5pl for a TD, 7-0. AZ was int'd & ret'd 15 yds to the Cal 49. Seven plays later Cal missed a 50 yd FG. AZ went 67/9pl for a TD, 7-7. AZ got a 40 yd PR to the 47 and then a 36 yd pass to Gronkowski and an 11 yd TD run by Antolin put them up 14-7. Two poss later Best got a 67 yd TD run, 14-14 (7:51). Cal went 59/6pl for a TD, 21-14 (3:34). Two poss later Cal got a 34 yd PR to the AZ 46 with :28 left. They got 1 FD and nailed a 42 yd FG and appeared in control, 24-14 at the half with a 260-179 yd edge. AZ got a 56 yd TD pass on the 4th play of the 3Q, 24-21. Cal got a 40 yd FG, 27-21 (9:20). AZ went 77/7pl for a TD and the game changed dramatically as they got a 21 yd IR TD to lead 35-27. After a partially blk'd punt, AZ went 59/6pl for a TD to stunningly lead 42-27 with 1:29 left 3Q. After 4 punts, Cal was int'd at the AZ15 then SOD at the Cal 45 (3:38) and AZ35 (1:26).

Usc 17 ARIZONA 10 - Evening game in Tucson played before 57,427 excited fans. USC got a 54 yd PR to the AZ25 setting up a 42 yd FG. USC was int'd and ret'd 5 yds to the 33 but AZ lost 15 yds and punted for a TB. AZ went 58/13pl for a 30 yd FG, 3-3 (12:56). USC went 80/17pl getting a 2 yd TD run, 10-3 (5:03). AZ went 49/13pl but missed a 48 yd FG. AZ got a sk & a fmbld & rec'd at the USC15. Four plays later they got a TD, 10-10 (12:18 3Q). USC went 80/9pl for a TD. Two poss later AZ was int'd at the USC40 & ret'd 7 yds. After each team punted, USC48 got 2 FD's but missed a 30 yd FG (10:35). Two poss later AZ on 4th & an inch was SOD at their own 47 (5:55). Each team punted (2:57). USC was pinned at the 3 and fmbld but TE McCoy picked it up & ran it to the 39. USC added 1 more FD punting on the last play of the game. AZ ret'd it 53 yds to the USC34.

Arizona 59 WASHINGTON ST 28 - WSU took their first lead in a Pac-10 game. Each team turned it over on their first poss and WSU went 56/5pl for a TD, 7-0. AZ went 72/12pl and 73/4pl, 14-7 (:52). WSU went 54/3pl for a TD, 14-14 after 1Q. AZ went 81/9pl for a TD, punted on their next drive then went 69/4pl and 29 yds (after int) in 3 pl and led 35-14 at the half with a 310-97 yd edge. The first 3 poss of the 3Q were long drives for TD's, 45-21 (3:50). WSU punted but AZ fmbld at their own 28 and 7pl later the Cougars had a TD, 45-28 (14:54). AZ went 67/13pl for a TD, 52-28. WSU fmbld and on 4th & 3 backup QB Scott ran 18 yds for a TD, 59-28 (4:35). WSU went on a 7pl drive but was int'd in the EZ (1:47).

OREGON 55 Arizona 45 - UO dominated the 1H with a 411-188 yd edge and led 45-17 in a game that appeared to be a rout. AZ fmbld on their opening 3Q drive and UO added a 39 yd FG, 48-17. AZ went 66/8pl for a TD, 48-24. AZ was int'd at midfield (4:50 3Q) but then drove 80/9pl for a TD, 48-32 (2 pt good, 14:56). AZ went 77/9pl but missed the 2 pt, 48-38 (8:55). UO fmbld the KO at their own 33 and on 3rd & 10 AZ got a FD to the 16 and a TD 2pl later to stunningly make it 48-45 (6:38). AZ forced a punt with 5:25 left but went for it on 4th & 3 at their own 43 and was SOD and 2pl later Blount got a 40 yd TD run to seal it, 55-45 (3:38). AZ's 4th & 12 pass from their own 49 was incomplete (2:21).

Oregon St 19 ARIZONA 17 - OSU was trying to keep their Rose Bowl hopes alive. The first 5 poss were punts. AZ then went 72/16pl. They settled for a 27 yd FG, 3-0 (8:17). OSU18 (3:19) went 52/8pl and got a 47 yd FG on the final play, 3-3. OSU took their opening 3Q drive 61/8pl for a TD, 10-3 (9:06). 2 punts. AZ went 76/13pl for a TD, 10-10 (:16). OSU converted on 4th & 1 at its own 40 but was SOD on 4th & 1 at the 50 (11:52). AZ went 50/8pl for a TD, 17-10 (8:26). OSU went 80/10pl for a TD with 3:58 left but missed the xp, 17-16. AZ25 got 1 FD but punted w/1:19 left, 56 yds for a TB. OSU got a 20 yd pass to Francis and a 47 yd pass to Stroughter and nailed a 24 yd FG on the game's final play.

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).