
Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

Posted by gordito - 2008/05/19 16:22

Nothing new here, just an article that previews the QB's on Washington's schedule (and what a schedule at that). Have I mentioned that I can't wait?

<http://blog.seattlepi.nwsourc.com/huskiesfb/archives/138810.asp>

Sept. 6 vs. BYU at Husky Stadium

The Cougars are 22-4 over the past two seasons and there is no reason to think they are slowing down with Heisman Trophy candidate Max Hall under center. He'll be the first of several big-time quarterbacks to face the Huskies in 2008.

A traditional pocket passer, the junior is accurate (60.1 completion percentage in '07) and efficient (7.76 yards per completion). He throws a lot (496 attempts) and doesn't make many mistakes (12 interceptions compared with 26 touchdowns). He will fumble from time to time, though, and applying pressure will be critical for Washington.

Adding to the challenge: Outland Trophy candidates Ray Feinga and Dallas Reynolds lead a stout BYU offensive line that could overwhelm the UW's inexperienced defensive front. The young pups will have to grow up quickly.

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Re:Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

Posted by lawman - 2008/05/19 16:37

For those of you who are interested, the article gives some interesting points about how Tuitama fared against Washington last year....(510 yards and 4 touchdowns). Didn't Arizona re-vamp their offense last year to model Texas Tech's and ours? If so, this gives me an additional ray of hope for this year's game...

Oct. 4 vs. Arizona at Arizona Stadium in Tucson

Tuitama had a career game against the Huskies, passing for 510 yards and four touchdowns. That served as the impetus for victories over UCLA and Oregon and a near-upset of archrival Arizona State.

Coach Mike Stoops, like Willingham, is trying to avoid the unemployment roll, and in a role reversal, his offense may be the cure-all.

Tuitama clearly settled into first-year offensive coordinator Sonny Dykes' "Air Zona" attack. Tuitama should only get better in 2008, especially with leading receivers Mike Thomas, Terrell Thomas, tight end Rob Gronkowski and junior college transfer Derick Barkum in the fold.

The Huskies would like to forget the 22-point fourth quarter that doomed them at Husky Stadium last season. Taking advantage of an Arizona defense that returns just three starters appears to be the best way to do that.

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Re:Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

Posted by imuakahuku - 2008/05/19 22:38

I like the last comment in the OK section.

Coach Bob Stoops' team is a preseason top-10 pick, another major challenge for the Huskies.

They are game #3 so I figure they are referring to BYU as a prior major challenge. It just comes of to me as lagitimate respect.

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Re:Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

Posted by TimO - 2008/05/20 10:48

i'd love for byu's o-line to push around those pups all day long. On a side note, on ebay tickets at u-dub for the Y game are very expensive. For 2 the cheapest i've seen is over 500 dollars. Thank goodness for tv

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Re:Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

Posted by stuckinbig10country - 2008/05/20 11:06

If Max gets his completion percentage up just 3 to 5 points he will have a huge season. He will be considered a major candidate for the Heisman, and BYU will win a lot of games.

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Re:Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

Posted by Sage - 2008/05/20 12:29

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I think our D had a lot to do with how he looked in the game against us.

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It is a good example of how numbers can be twisted to suit many purposes. Tui had his highest yds & completion pct against UW last year. His second best completion pct was against BYU. His fewest total yards passing was also against BYU.

Of Tui's 28 TDs, eight TDs came during AZ's seven losses. Twenty came during their 5 wins. He had two 5 TD games - UW and NAU.

Methinks that AZ was lucky to play us when Max Hall was still an inexperienced QB.

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Re:Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

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To someone who knows: How did the talent and rating of the o-lines compare. I read somewhere there is a method for measuring the efficiency of the oline. Who had the better line last year? Did that make a difference in the type of yards or TDs produced?

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Re:Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

Posted by Cougarbib2 - 2008/05/20 16:50

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Posted by rackem - 2008/05/20 17:03

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They have 7 home games and 5 away. If they don't get it done at home it's their own doing.

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Re:Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer

Posted by BYUtx - 2008/05/20 17:38

Am I the only one hear that reads the title "Praise for Max Hall from Husky beat writer" and immediately thinks of DH?

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Sorry, I disagree. AZ has been very beatable for the past several years. Tui was pretty healthy all last season. AZ managed to win three of their last four games but even that is pretty suspect - UW (enough said), Oregon when Dixon was lost in the 2nd qtr, & UCLA in the midst of their 3 game skid).

Once in a while AZ puts together an awesome game but for every one of those games one can point to several mediocre ones. Tui may have completed a higher pct of passes, and threw for more TDs than Hall last year, but I'll take our 11-2 record over their 5-7 any day. Personally, I give the major credit for the big difference in the success of the two programs to Bronco.

I agree about not underestimating UW. Heck we better not underestimate Northern Iowa since last year they were rated as being a stronger opponent than some of our MWC foes.

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