



September 18, 2009

### *Week 3 Update*

#### **USC Recap**

- While the outcome of the game was unfavorable, weather conditions and a large turnout allowed for a great day of tailgating all day long this past Saturday. THANKS to the many of you who helped in some way... either the preparation and setup Friday or Saturday, purchasing supplies, purchasing tools, cooking food, bringing beer, donating or the cleanup afterward. I'm still tracking down all those who helped and will make sure I recognize you. Without you, all of this would not be possible. The cleanup lasted until about 2am Sunday morning and I thank the many of you who stayed. An estimated 50+ cases or 1200 cans were consumed (7.5 kegs). Kropkogate also received the "Masters of the Tailgate Parking Lot Palace" Award by Versus Television making us the number 1 tailgate on Saturday. While I cannot remember or thank everyone, the following individuals went out of their way to help
  - Chris Wheatley for purchasing tools to help setup the tent dome and also for purchasing a large amount of supplies for cleanup and other use and agreeing to have the sound system shipped to his house
  - Susan Wheatley for the amazing job of painting the corn hole boards
  - Brendan Hennessey for agreeing to have the dome shipped to his house and storing unused food after the game
  - Sam Wahl for the helping with the storage and cleanup of unused food
  - Trip Reynolds for helping with the cleanup and transportation
  - Lane Sawyer for assisting in the dome setup and bringing tools
  - Drew and Laura Hall for sacrificing their house, assisting with the dome setup, cleanup, cooking and a place to stay
  - Brian Ruswinkle for assisting with the transport of items, cleanup and dome setup
  - Dan Bednar for the backup generator
  - Mike Kropko / Jenny Williams for the purchasing the projection screen and bringing the DirecTV card
  - Matt Conte for activating the DirecTV card
  - Holly Brown for the USC game ticket
  - Kim Wingfield for purchasing last minute items for me
  - Kevin Rayborn for the Kropkogate website content
  - Phil Ostberg for the trailer space engineering

- Rachael, Amber, Jason W, Allison and Roman for extra cleanup help
- All those who helped cleanup and load after the game
- All those who cooked and brought food/beer



### Upcoming Tailgate

- Ohio State vs. Toledo – September 19th, 2009 @ 12:00pm (EST)
- Start time: In between 6:30am
- Gameday Weather: Mostly Sunny, High in the mid 60's
- Lakefront Municipal Parking 1500 South Marginal Rd
- Call my cell the day of the game for additional info 614.378.2104. Location subject to change due to availability
- Due to typical city constraints on space, I will be bringing a canopy, cooler, grill, television, generator, satellite dish and speakers



### Kropkogate ESPN Pick'em

Week 2 is now in the books but you can still sign-up at anytime. Please follow the link below and sign up to compete against your fellow tailgaters. Weekly winners will be announced in the weekly email. Picks take less than 5 minutes each week.

- Signup here: <http://games.espn.go.com/cpickem/en/group?groupID=3151> (group Kropkogate)

- Week 1 Winners: Pizza Hall 1, A. Hall / MrMarbles011 1, K. Rayborn
- Don't forget your week 3 picks

## Financing

- Thank you to all those who have donated in some form this year. Your donations have enabled us to continue to operate each Saturday as one of the larger tailgates.
- [http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=73&Itemid=57](http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=73&Itemid=57)
- Donations are greatly appreciated, especially with the new tent addition. I will provide the limited amounts of food for the early tailgates. Depending on contributions, I will continue to supply food through the entire season including breakfast for those who arrive early in the morning and lunch. Food and/or monetary contributions are highly encouraged. The tailgate will supply a large 500 sq inch grill for those wanting to bring their own meat. Multiple coolers with ice including the large 100 quart marine cooler will be supplied for those bringing beverages. Beverage contributions are also highly encouraged.
- Your donations help cover the weekly operating expenses for items such as gas, propane, ice as well as items such as the tent. Like last year, donations can be made online at [www.kropkogate.com](http://www.kropkogate.com). A PayPal donation link is located in the bottom right corner of the home page. A PayPal account is not required and using this method only takes several minutes. Donations go a long way, especially for those who attend every home game.

Date	Vendor	Amount	Items	Notes	Game
8/22/2009	SUNBELT INFLATABLE	(1,818.00)	26' Dome / Blower / Logo / Stakes / Shipping / Repair Kit		n/a
7/8/2009	SATELLITE OASIS	(41.05)	Satellite Tripod Mount		n/a
9/4/2009	123 DJ	(505.47)	Gem Sound 600w Speakers, Gem Sound Amp, Cables, Tripods		n/a
9/6/2009	LOWES	(30.59)	Canopy repair supplies, Folding Hex Key Set, Plastic Storage Bins		n/a
9/6/2009	THE HOME DEPOT	(30.62)	Oil for generator, pull ties, high-def antenna for television		n/a
9/6/2009	EXTRA SPACE	(20.00)	Trailer storage for september (introductory monthly special)		n/a
9/7/2009	EXXONMOBIL	(9.16)	Gas for generator		Navy
9/11/2009	GET GO	(74.70)	3 propane tank refill exchanges / 1 large bag of ice	2 full tanks remaining	USC
9/12/2009	MARATHON OIL	(23.50)	Gas for generator (9.292 gallons)	4 gallons remaining	USC
9/12/2009	MARATHON OIL	(21.33)	2 gallon gas tank x 2		n/a
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$ (2,574.42)</b>			



## How Can I Help

- Thanks to all those helped last year. As you know, without your help, the tailgate would not be possible. For those who attend each week, please help in some way. Either show up early and help setup, or stay late and help cleanup.
- Monetary contributions (see above)

## Latest Articles

- [Week 3 Preview: Toledo](#)

- [Week 2 - USC Photos posted](#)
- [Week 2 Expert Big Ten Picks](#)
- [Pizzahall's 25 Thought Roster 9/10](#)
- [Week 1 - Navy Photos posted](#)
- [USC Preview: Get In That A\\$\\$ Week](#)
- [Week 1 Expert Big Ten Picks](#)

### Announcements

- Don't forget your Week 3 picks for ESPN's College Football Pick'em.
- Please help contribute in 2009 in some way and allow the tailgate to continue



### Newsletter Archive

- [http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=133&Itemid=59](http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=133&Itemid=59)

### Photos

- [http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com\\_wrapper&Itemid=8](http://www.kropkogate.com/index.php?option=com_wrapper&Itemid=8)
- Week 2 USC Photos (88) have been posted



Go Bucks,  
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