



October 30, 2009

### ***Week 9 Update***

Contrary to the posted schedule, the tailgate will go on this week. What would Gameday be without Kropkogate? However, due to the forecast (and the fact that it's New Mexico State) expect some changes for this week. The dome will not be out. Heavy rains Saturday morning and winds up to 25mph will keep the dome in the trailer. It will be a turn-back-the-clock weekend. Expect a 2007ish Kropkogate. A few canopies, a cooler full of beer, the Coleman portable travel grill and possibly the television and generator depending on conditions. Old school if you will. Please come out and keep the tradition going. Remember your rain gear. Only 2 home tailgates left this year including this weekend. Please mark the Iowa game on your schedules (November 14) as this will be the final home game this season. The deep fryer will be out and the turkeys will be ready to go.

The Ohio State tailgate special aired on Versus October 28th during which Kropkogate was featured and received the number 1 tailgate award. I am attempting to secure footage and will post video once I do.



### **Minnesota Recap**

- Thanks to all those who came out last weekend and helped setup, cleanup and/or contributed some beverage or food donation and watched the Buckeyes secure another victory
- The rain held out for most of the day until the very end but the conditions did cause some problems. The satellite was blown over and ripped out 1 of the metal connectors on the LNBS (the part that sticks out on the dish that receives the signal). I believe it will still work since there are 3 other connectors. The dome was picked up and blown a few feet into the trees. No initial damage on first inspection. The generator has started leaking gas as noticed when a small puddle appeared in Drew and Laura's garage after the game. I believe it is due to the float in the carburetor that is not seating correctly probably due to some residue buildup. I think I can fix without a mechanic. The generator will still run for now.
- Special thanks to all those who weathered the storm and watched the tailgate during the game
- Special thanks to Amber for framing the 'Masters of the Tailgate' award

### **Upcoming Tailgate**

- New Mexico State vs. Ohio State – October 31st, 2009 @ 12:00pm (EST)
- Location: Columbus, Ohio
- Start time: 5:39am
- Sunrise: 8:00am
- Gameday Weather: Periods of rain early. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the upper 30s. 80% chance of precipitation
- Preview at [http://www.kropkagate.com/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=189&Itemid=41](http://www.kropkagate.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=189&Itemid=41)



### **Kropkagate ESPN Pick'em**

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 Kropkagate)
- Week 8 Winner: Up Your Buckeye, M. Pizzulo
- Current Leader: Up Your Buckeye, M. Pizzulo
- Don't forget your week 9 picks

### **Financing \$\$\$ - Kropkagate needs your help**

- 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.
- Special thanks to last weeks donations from Tony Roth, Jody Orsine/Colleen Zaczek, and Dave Borchers
- Donations are greatly appreciated, especially with the new tent addition. 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.kropkagate.com](http://www.kropkagate.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
7/8/2009	SATELLITE OASIS	(41.05)	Satellite Tripod Mount		n/a
8/22/2009	SUNBELT INFLATABLE	(1,818.00)	26' Dome / Blower / Logo / Stakes / Shipping / Repair Kit		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
9/12/2009	MARATHON OIL	(21.33)	2 gallon gas tank x 2		n/a
10/8/2009	EXTRA SPACE	(24.02)	Trailer storage thru Oct 11		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		USC
9/12/2009	MARATHON OIL	(23.50)	Gas for generator (9.292 gallons)		USC
9/25/2009	KROGER	(59.02)	Beer, Food, Supplies		Illinois
10/10/2009	GIANT EAGLE	(109.15)	Beer, Food, Supplies		Wisc
10/10/2009	GET GO	(23.47)	Propane Tank Exchange		Wisc
10/10/2009	LOWES	(10.91)	10w30 oil for generator and 2 48" bungee cords to secure tv		Wisc
10/10/2009	THE HOME DEPOT	(6.16)	2 500w halogen lights (replacements for lights)		Wisc
10/11/2009	EXXONMOBIL	(10.00)	Gas for generator		Wisc
10/23/2009	THE HOME DEPOT	(9.79)	2 8' compression straps for dome and grill degreaser		Minn
10/23/2009	GET GO	(23.47)	Propane Tank Exchange		Minn
10/24/2009	EXXONMOBIL	(10.00)	Gas for generator		Minn
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>(2,860.41)</b>		

### How Can I Help

- 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 8 - Minnesota Photos posted](#)
- [Week 9 Big Ten Picks](#)
- [Week 9 Kropkoween Super Fantastic Great Pumpkin Special Preview](#)
- [Week 8 Big Ten Picks](#)
- [Week 8 Preview: Minnesota](#)
- [Mustache Week Big Ten Picks](#)
- [Week 6 - Wisconsin Photos posted](#)

### Announcements

- Don't forget your Week 9 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 8 Minnesota Photos (26) have been posted



Go Bucks,  
-scott

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