

FRESHMEN REBELBALL



Columbine 49, Thomas Jefferson 0

By Gene Moisey

It was a solid outing for the Columbine Freshman Squad, handling Thomas Jefferson by a wide margin. The Rebels didn't punt during the contest and lots of players saw action. The JV Coach from TJ commented, "This Columbine team looks impressive for this early in the season. They're handling our boys in every phase of the game." That comment fully describes the game and how the Rebels played on Saturday.

The Columbine Offense looked good and moved the ball consistently throughout the contest. The offensive line created many running lanes for the Columbine backs to gain significant yardage. Running back Jeremy Ortega had an impressive outing and scored several times. Quarterback Michael Tait had a huge hole and was untouched for his TD score. There were several other running backs that looked good in the game and saw action. Overall, the offense controlled the ball and moved it efficiently down the field. Additionally, the Rebel special teams added an impressive 41 yard field goal late in the 1st half.

Defensively, the Rebels held Thomas Jefferson out of the end zone and the TJ offense only produced a few 1st downs. The defensive front controlled the line of scrimmage and didn't allow many TJ blockers to reach the linebackers, which left them free to make tackles all over the field. The secondary was tested a couple of times, but didn't give up any big plays and tackled the TJ ball carriers well. To quote a Rebel defensive player, "Anytime you have a shut out, you have to feel good about the entire team effort." Without question, the defense looked sharp and many plays saw swarms of Rebels in on the tackle.

One nice thing about games like the Thomas Jefferson game was that many players saw action in the contest. It's a long season and injuries do occur. Having players with high school game experience helps as the season progresses. Additionally, as the coaching staff continues to evaluate players and positions, game experience becomes highly valuable. Overall, Coach Flansburg expressed that he was happy with the team effort and outcome of the contest.

GAME DAY STATS

From Mike Ortega

Rushing:

- J. Ortega - 133 yds on 9 carries
- C. James - 74 yds on 9 carries
- M. Tait - 24 yds on 2 carries
- A. Norton - 17 yds on 7 carries
- A. Freyta - 8 yds on 4 carries

TD'S:

- J. Ortega-3 rushing and 1 interception return
- M. Tait-1 rushing
- A. Norton-1 interception return

PAT'S:

- T. Holden- 5 and 1 two point conversion

Field Goals:

- T. Holden- 1 @ 42yds, 1 @ 26yds

Passing:

- M. Tait- 2 of 4 for 20 yds. and 1 interception

Receiving:

- J. Ortega- 1 for 14 yds
- A. Norton- 1 for 6 yds

Tackles/Assists:

- T. Kusterer- 7/0
- I. Fabiano- 5.5/0
- A. Norton- 4/0
- D. Rothrock- 3/1.5
- C. Moisey- 3
- I. Ross-2/1
- J. Tagita- 2/0
- J. Delgado- 2/0
- L. Anderson-1.5/1
- D. Compton- 1/5
- S. Sharp- 1/0
- C. James- 1/5
- J. Couture - 1/5
- K. Huck- 0/1
- T. Holden- 0/5
- G. Storrs- 0/5
- D. Chavez- 0/5

Sacks:

0

Forced fumbles:

- T. Kusterer-1

Fumble recoveries:

- T. Kusterer- 1

Kick off returns:

0

Punt returns:

- J. Tagita- 1 for 30yds
- A. Norton- 1 for 16yds

Punts:

0



NOTES FROM THE BOOSTER CLUB

Freshmen player buttons are ready! They will be available from Darcy Rothrock for \$3 at this week's Freshmen home game. There is one button available per family. If you would like to order additional buttons, please contact Dana Mohr at danamohr@msn.com.

REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

Next Game: Friday, September 9 at 4:00 PM Rocky Mountain at Columbine

Drinks: Delgado & Phegley

Snacks: Tait & Valverde

Please bring 25 drinks or 25 snacks per volunteer. This will provide for enough drinks and snacks for all players and coaches. The snacks and drinks are for after the game.



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COLE JAMES

#36

**HALFBACK
SAFETY**



LITTLE LEAGUE: GREEN MOUNTAIN RAMS

YEARS PLAYED: 7

FAVORITE NFL PLAYER: ADRIAN PETERSON

FAVORITE NFL TEAM: BRONCOS

**QUOTE: "I WANT TO BE REMEMBERED AS THE ONE
WHO GAVE HIS ALL WHENEVER HE WAS ON THE FIELD."**

WALTER PAYTON

COLLEGE: OKLAHOMA UNIVERSITY

WOULD LIKE TO BE: FIREMAN

FAVORITE FOOD: STEAK

JESSE DELGADO

#58

LINEBACKER



LITTLE LEAGUE: SOUTH METRO TITANS

YEARS PLAYED: 9

FAVORITE NFL PLAYER: RAY LEWIS

FAVORITE NFL TEAM: EAGLES

**QUOTE: "I AM RELENTLESS. I AM ALWAYS THERE, NOW AND
FOREVER. I AM THE INFANTRY! FOLLOW ME!"**

COLLEGE: UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

FAVORITE FOOD: GREEN CHILI

FRESHMEN PLAYER PROFILES



CODY WELD

#80

**LINEBACKER
SPLIT END**



LITTLE LEAGUE: PANTHERS, S. METRO TITANS

YEARS PLAYED: 6

FAVORITE NFL PLAYER: EDDIE ROYAL

FAVORITE NFL TEAM: CHARGERS

**QUOTE: "IF YOU LOVE SOMETHING, LET IT GO. IF IT
COMES BACK TO YOU, IT'S YOURS FOREVER. IF IT
DOESN'T, THEN IT WAS NEVER MEANT TO BE."**

UNKNOWN

COLLEGE: OREGON DUCKS

WOULD LIKE TO BE: NFL PLAYER AND TEACHER

FAVORITE FOOD: HOT POCKET



DALTON ROTHROCK

#40

**RUNNINGBACK
LINEBACKER**



LITTLE LEAGUE: SCORPIONS, FALCONS, DAWGS

YEARS PLAYED: 4

FAVORITE NFL PLAYER: MARSHALL FAULK

FAVORITE NFL TEAM: ST. LOUIS RAMS

**QUOTE: "NOBODY MAKES ME BLEED MY OWN
BLOOD...NOBODY." - WHITE GOODMAN**

COLLEGE: ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

WOULD LIKE TO BE: TEACHER

FAVORITE FOOD: PULLED PORK SANDWICH

PETER CONTOS

#88

**LINEBACKER
WIDE RECEIVER**



LITTLE LEAGUE: NONE

YEARS PLAYED: 1ST YEAR

FAVORITE NFL PLAYER: PEYTON HILLIS

FAVORITE NFL TEAM: BRONCOS

**QUOTE: "BETTER TO DIE FOR SOMETHING, THAN LIVE FOR
NOTHING."**

COLLEGE: WEST POINT

WOULD LIKE TO BE: IN THE MILITARY

FAVORITE FOOD: MAC AND CHEESE