

FRESHMEN REBELBALL



Columbine 0, Mullen 12

By Gene Moisey

When you looked at the freshman schedule at the beginning of the season, the Columbine versus Mullen game was a game you circled in red ink. What took place was a game that you could call a "sloppy event." The Columbine football field was very muddy and wet, and it was clearly a factor in the contest as both teams had several turnovers.

The game started off with both teams trying to move the ball in the mud. Clearly the defense had the advantage because the footing didn't allow the ball carriers to make cuts without their feet going out from under them. The Rebels would drive the ball for a couple of first downs and then turn the ball over on downs. Mullen's offense was very similar and the first quarter was a battle for field position. In the second quarter, the Mullen offense was aided by a couple of penalties and they mounted a drive that went deep into Rebel territory. However, the defense stepped up and stopped the Mullen offense to keep the game scoreless. The week before against Bear Creek there was lots of offense, but in this game both offenses struggled in the conditions.

The Rebel offensive line, which has undergone several personnel changes over the last few weeks, struggled at times against the Mullen defense. Mullen, like many teams the freshmen played this year, blitzed often with some success. In these conditions it was difficult for the Rebel running backs to get outside or to elude the Mullen defenders. Additionally, the Rebels had a couple of injuries which changed what the Rebels could do offensively.

Defensively, the Rebels played fairly well in the game. The Columbine defense recovered several Mullen fumbles and a few Columbine defensive players were involved in many tackles. However, a couple of big plays by Mullen helped secure the victory for the Mustangs.

The Columbine freshman team now has a record of five wins and four losses. If you look at the season, with a couple of plays here and there, this Rebel team could easily have won six or seven games. Hopefully, this group of freshman can learn from the varsity squad. Congratulations to the Columbine varsity team for going undefeated and winning the Big 6 Conference. Overall, the season has been a positive learning event for the freshmen.

GAME DAY STATS

From Mike Ortega

Rushing:

- #36 C. James- 28yds on 10 carries
- #4 J. Ortega- 16yds on 7 carries
- #40 D. Rothrock- 10yds on 5 carries
- #10 M. Tait- 7yds on 3 carries
- #42 A. Norton- 7yds on 6 carries
- #12 T. Holden- -7yds on 3 carries

Touchdowns:

0

PAT'S:

0

Field Goals:

0

Passing:

- #12 T. Holden- 1/3 for 4yds
- #10 M. Tait- 0/1 for 0yds

Receiving:

- #36 C. James- 1/2 for 4yds
- #42 A. Norton- 0/1 for 0yds

1st Downs:

3

Penalties:

6/36yds

Tackles:

- #40 D. Rothrock- 8
- #2 I. Fabiano- 6.5
- #54 T. Kusterer- 5.5
- #58- J. Delgado- 5.5
- #4 J. Ortega- 4.5
- #36 C. James- 3.5
- #77 L. Anderson- 3.5
- #42 A. Norton- 2
- #79 A. Sanchez- 2
- #47 I. Ross- 1.5
- #8 D. Compton- 1



Sacks:

- #77 L. Anderson- ½ for a 2yd loss
- #40 D. Rothrock- ½ for a 2yd loss

Interceptions:

- #36 C. James- 1

Turnovers:

3 fumbles

Fumble Recoveries:

- #47 I. Ross- 1
- #42 A. Norton- 1
- #58 J. Delgado- 1

Punts:

- #10 M. Tait- 1 for 22yds
- #4 J. Ortega- 1 for 10yds

Punt Returns:

0



REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

Game: Thursday, November 3 at 3:00 pm Fort Collins at Columbine

Drinks: None

Snacks: None

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chsfreshman2011.shutterfly.com

END-OF-SEASON BANQUET

Hosts: Darcy Rothrock, Lisa Norton, Jennie Lawrence, & Jennifer Gerdes

When: Monday, November 7 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Where: Columbine High School Commons & Auditorium

Dinner: Pizza will be provided for players, coaches, and parents. Please bring the following to share based on last name (enough for at least 10 people):

A-F Side dish or salad

G-O Dessert

P-Z Cooled drinks

Contribution: Each family needs to contribute \$20 toward gifts for the players and coaches. Please give this to any of the hosts as soon as possible. Checks should be made payable to Darcy Rothrock.

RSVP: The Evite Invitation: Freshmen Football Banquet was sent by e-mail. Please RSVP and also post a comment with the number of people attending by Friday, November 4.

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