## FRESHMEN REBELBALL



### Columbine 35, Rocky Mountain 21

By Gene Moisey

The Columbine Freshman played a tough Rocky Mountain Lobos team last Friday afternoon extending their record to 2-0. It took the Rebels two offensive plays to score their first touchdown. First half saw the Rebels mostly in control of the contest and they led by a score of 21-7. The Rebels looked "workman-like" in moving the football up and down the field. Running back Jeremy Ortega had another solid performance scoring several touchdowns. Quarterback Michael Tait had some excellent runs in the contest as well. Several of Tait's quarterback keepers were critical 4th down conversions to keep some Rebel drives alive. Overall, the Rebel backfield had some big yardage plays and broke several tackles of the Rocky Mountain defenders.

The Offensive line for Lobos game was different than the previous week against Thomas Jefferson due to some injuries. Overall, the big guys up front played well opening up running lanes for the Rebel backfield. The Lobos defensive front was much better than the previous week's opponents in Thomas Jefferson. Trenton Kusterer, Logan Anderson, and Cameron Moisey had solid efforts both on offensive line and defensive line for the Rebels.

The 2nd half of the contest saw the Rebels making some mistakes in the 3rd quarter. Rocky Mountain capitalized on a couple of Rebel turnovers and scored, making the game a closer contest. On a critical 3rd down, QB Michael Tait found the left side wide open for a 50-yard run. This play seemed to jump start the Rebel Offense and they scored soon after that. The Rebels regained some control over the game, scoring two more touchdowns.

Defensively, the Rebels experimented with some different players this week. In the 2nd half, Trenton Kusterer moved from the defensive line and played some middle linebacker. This switch seemed to work well and help slow down the Lobos running game. Logan Anderson and Cameron Moisey did a better job of clogging up the middle of the Rocky Mountain Offense which allowed the linebackers to pursue the Lobos ball carriers. In addition to Kusterer's play, linebackers Isaiah Fabiano, Dalton Rothrock, and Isaiah Ross saw good action.

Overall, the game saw some great plays and areas for improvement. It's still early in the season and the coaches know it's still a learning process for many of the freshman players. The game was never to the point where the outcome was firmly decided. Thus, many starters logged more minutes than the previous week against Thomas Jefferson.

2-0 is a great start to the season and it should be a fun week for the players with Homecoming and all the activities. GO REBELS!!!





### **GAME DAY STATS**

From Mike Ortega

### **Rushing:**

#10 M. Tait- 113yds on 16 carries #4 J. Ortega- 81yds on 16 carries #42 A. Norton- 74yds on 8 carries #36 C. James- 3yds on 2 carries

### TD'S:

#42 A. Norton- (1) on a 54yd run #4 J. Ortega- (2) one on a 28yd reception and one on a 61yd reception #10 M. Tait- (2) one on a 8yd run and one on a 2yd run

### PAT'S:

#12 T. Holden- 3/4 3 points #10 M. Tait- 1/1 2 points

### Passing:

#10 M. Tait- 3/3 for 97yds

### Receiving:

#4 J. Ortega- 2 for 89yds #45 J. Walker- 1 for 8yds

### 1st Downs:

10

### **Turnovers:**

2

### Penalties:

10/71yds

### Tackles:

#54 T. Kusterer- 13 #40 D. Rothrock- 6.5

#2 I. Fabiano- 5.5

#47 I. Ross- 5.5

#21 K. Huck- 3.5

#77 L. Anderson- 3.5

#85 J. Couture- 3

#10 M. Tait- 2.5

#55 C. Moisey- 2.5

#42 A. Norton- 2

#58 J. Delgado- 2

#36 C. James- 1

#45 J. Walker- .5

### Sacks:

#52 D. Chavez- 1 for a 2yd loss

### Forced fumbles:

0

### Fumble recoveries:

#2 I. Fabiano- 1

#36 C. James- 1

### Kick off returns:

#36 C. James- (2) one for 26yds and one for 11yds

### Punts:

#4 J. Ortega- 1 for 45yds

### Punt returns:

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### REMINDERS FOR THIS WEEK

Game: Thursday, September 15 at 3:00 pm Douglas County at Columbine

Drinks: Moisey & Stebbins

Snacks: Ohlerking & Anderson

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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.

**Player Buttons:** Please see Darcy Rothrock at this week's game if you did not receive your player button at last week's game. The buttons are \$3 each and there is one button available per family. If you would like to order additional buttons, please contact Dana Mohr at danamohr@msn.com.

**Homecoming Game:** Thursday, September 15 at 7:00 pm Douglas County at Columbine (Jeffco Stadium)



Game pictures courtesy of Lisa Norton.

Player profiles compiled by Lori Couture.

# Austin Norton #42 Running back Safety

Little League: Devils
Years Played: 3
Favorite NFL Player: DeAngelo
Williams
Favorite NFL Team: Panthers
Quote: "Go Big or Go Home."
College: University of Oregon
Wants to Be: Marine Biologist
Favorite Food: Thai

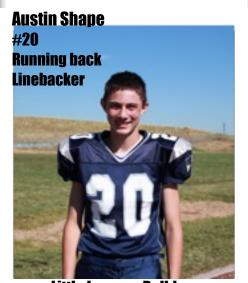
# Garrett Olson #82 Tight End

Little League: None
Years Played: 1st Year
Favorite NFL Player: Ed McCaffrey
Favorite NFL Team: Broncos
Quote: "Don't look down on anyone unless
you're offering a hand to help them up."
College: West Point

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Wants to Be: Unsure
Favorite Food: Anything Italian

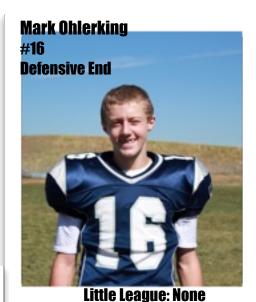
## FRESHMENPLAYER PROFILES





Little League: Bulldogs
Years played: 1
Favorite NFL Player: Larry
Fitzgerald
Favorite NFL Team: Cardinals
Quote: "The will must be stronger
than the skill."-Muhammad Ali
College: ASU
Wants to Be: Pro Football/
Baseball player/Sports Agent/
Med. Trainer
Favorite Food: Tacos





Years Played: 1st Year
Favorite NFL Player: Tim Tebow
Favorite NFL Team: Broncos
Quote: "A person who never made a
mistake never tried anything."-Albert
Einstein
College: Air Force Academy
Wants to Be: Air Force or Army
Ranger
Favorite Food: Spaghetti

**Logan Anderson** 



Little League: South Jeffco Falcons
Years Played: 7
Favorite NFL Player: Larry Fitzgerald
Favorite NFL Team: Packers
Quote: "Football is like life - it requires
perseverance, self-denial, hard work,
sacrifice, dedication and respect for
authority."- Vince Lombardi

College: Air Force Wants to Be: Air Force Pilot Favorite Food: Italian