

Big Red Handles the Hilltoppers

The Big Red handled the Hilltoppers from Worcester Academy this past Saturday by a score of 50-7. The score was not indicative of the game especially early on. With Exeter playing solid defense and WA controlling the tempo the back and forth first quarter ended with the score knotted at 0-0 but with Exeter knocking on the door.

David Mothander opened up the second quarter with a 23 yard field goal on the first play to make it 3-0 Exeter. This is when the Exeter defense turned up the heat. Forcing three Hilltopper turnovers, the first on an Evan Sequeira interception and return to the 6 yard line which set up a 6 yard Alex Scyocurka TD run to make it 10-0. The next being a blocked punt by Charles Curtis with Anthony Baker recovering the ball. This set up another drive with Syocurka doing most of the work and capping it off with another nifty dash to the end zone and with Mothander hitting his second PAT of the day the score stood at 17-0. After an interception by Captain Sander Scott and a race against the clock to halftime the first half ended 17-0.

The Big Red came out flying in the third scoring first. After stopping Worcester on their first series Exeter took the ball and drove the length of the field capping it off with a Dan Guadagnoli 34 yard TD pass to David Mothander. The Pat was good and Exeter led 24-0. Evan Sequeira picked off a WA pass on the next series but The Big Red fumbled it right back on the next play. WA capitalized on the turnover and drove 48 yards for a touchdown the PAT made the score 24-7.

Exeter made a statement by coming right back with a 78 yard drive that culminated with a 39 yard Scyocurka TD run. The PAT extended Exeter's lead and the score stood 31-7. With most of the starters on the bench Guadagnoli pushed one over from the one and with the failed PAT the score was 38-7.

Evan Sequeria scored his first TD of the season on a nifty 14 yard jaunt and Sophomore Max Eberhart carried twice for 41 yards and his first career TD. Mike MacArthur kicked his first PAT of his Exeter career to finish off the day.

The defense played another strong game led by Phil Iaccarino, Ryan Egger, Sander Scott, Anthony Baker and Charles Curtis. Dan Maddox and Yogi Layne made several jarring tackles and Sequeria picked off two WA passes and Scott picked off one.

Thanks again for the FNL Dinner put on by the parents. Great food and fun was had while the boys watched the 2008 Big Red Football Highlight film. Please come to Choate and watch Exeter take on a very tough and athletic team from Wallingford, CT.

GAME NOTES

Dan Guadagnoli completed 9 of 14 passes for 161 yards and a TD and Alex Scyocurka ran for 205 yards and 3 TD's. David Mothander caught his first TD pass in a Big Red uniform .Yogi Layne made several tackles including the "Hit of the Day" Big Red defense forced 5 turnovers as well as blocking a Worcester Academy punt.

Playing great in his second consecutive start at DE was Anthony Baker. In two games Anthony had 3 fumble recoveries, two sacks, and several tackles as well as a TD catch. Unfortunately Anthony broke his leg late in the first half and will miss most of the rest of the 2009 season. Anthony will be missed.

Submitted by Coach Glennon