

# COBB FOOTBALL LEAGUE 2016 Newsletter



All CFL Members,

Welcome to Week 4 of the 2016 Cobb Football League season. Let's make it a great weekend full of hard work, outstanding sportsmanship, and fun!

### CFL Schedule – Saturday, September 24, 2016

### PLEASE CLICK HERE

for the Cobb Football League - Week 4 schedule to ensure that you have the correct times and locations for Saturday's games!

### **REMINDER**

Air Horns are <u>NOT</u> allowed at Cobb Football League games, as they can be a huge distraction to the players, coaches, and fans.

## Games of the Week



The following games have been selected as "CFL Game of the Week" for each grade level:

K-1st: East Paulding vs. North Paulding

Location - North Paulding High School Time - 10:45 AM

#### 2nd: Marietta vs. North Paulding Silver

Location - North Paulding High School Time - 9:00 AM

#### 3rd: East Paulding vs. Roswell Green

Location - Roswell Area Park Time - 9:00 AM

#### 4th: Harrison Navy vs. Wheeler

Location - Wheeler High School Time - 2:15 PM

#### 5th: North Paulding Silver vs. Allatoona

Location - Allatoona High School Time - 9:00 AM

### Highlights from Last Week

Please note: The "Highlights from Last Week" write-ups are provided by the Head Coaches of the respective teams and combined.

Highlights from last week's "Games of the Week" can be found below:

#### <u>K-1</u>

#### Walton vs. McEachern

K1 Walton Raiders (2-1) defeated K1 McEachern Indians (2-1) by a score of 19-6 at Wildhorse Creek Park on Saturday morning, September 17, 2016.

The Raiders received the kick-off and scored on the opening drive when Deuce Powell broke off a long run for a touchdown. However, there was a penalty on the play and the touchdown didn't stand. A few plays later, Walton's Ty Henderson took the ball down the left hash for a score.

From that point on, the game became a defensive battle with both teams going back and forth. However, it was McEachern who struck next with a hard fought touchdown right before half-time.

Starting the 3<sup>rd</sup> with the scored tied at 6, the defensive battle continued with both teams fighting hard. However, neither team could really get anything going offensively.

At the beginning of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, the Indians had a long run but were stopped around the five yard line. Walton was able to put together a goal line stand and got the ball back.

On the ensuing possession, the Walton Offense was able to have productive and long runs as a result of solid blocking up front. This effort led to another touchdown by Henderson.

The Raiders Offensive Line was led by Saban Armstrong, Patrick Tchou, Jackson Morris, Nathan Evans and Gabriel Waelde.

With less than two minutes to play in the game, and Walton leading 13-6, Brandon Hewett came out of the backfield and threw a huge block that sprung Henderson for a long yard touchdown, essentially sealing the victory.

Walton had a good performance from its entire defense against a big and fast McEachern team.

The Raiders had timely group tackling by Lincoln Sasser, Casey Hill, Brandon Hewett, Danny Eiser, Bryce Hampton and Deuce Powell. Hewett and Hampton forced a fumble in the backfield but it was recovered by McEachern. Hampton had a couple of big hits for losses during the game. Sasser had a timely sack in the backfield for a loss and Hill and Eiser each had key solo tackles. Saban Armstrong made stops in the backfield and Ty Henderson was solid defensively the entire game with key plays.

McEachern battled throughout the entire game and broke off several big runs with a talented backfield and solid team blocking. Some of their offensive standouts were: Brandon Young, Ethan Menhorn, Maeson Owens, Elijah Perez, and Alonza Ward.

Likewise, their defense fought hard and all played well against a tough Walton team.

Rashawn Hill, Gabriel Watson, Gabriel Pickett, Dylan Steward, Amaree Joshua, Marucie Crockett and Anthony Ekwenchi had a great game. Overall, it was a great team effort by the McEachern Indians.

This weekend, the Raiders will travel to Pope High School to battle an undefeated Pope K1 (3-0) team and the McEachern Indians will take on undefeated Marietta Blue K1 (3-0) at Northcutt Stadium.

#### 2nd Grade

#### East Paulding vs. Wheeler

After a valiant effort, the 2nd Grade East Paulding Raiders lost 14-6 against the Wheeler Wildcats, who were determined to defend their home field.

East Paulding started it off with a march down the field, led by running backs #1 Tamar Benson & #34 Gabriel Thompson-Fields, who scored the first touchdown of the game.

Wheeler responded and attacked the Raiders defense with speed around the corners, bringing the score to 6-6 at halftime. Despite the best efforts of the Raiders hard hitting defense led by #99 Brayden Smith and #43 Peyton Tatum, the Wildcats had continued success with their speedy offense and wore the Raiders down to bring the score to 14-6. Both defenses continued to plague the offense of their opponents and continued to battle until the end.

The Wildcats defense was led by #44 Big Javon and the Wildcats hit squad. Wheelers offense was led by #1 Ethan. #5 Neil had amazing runs and key blocking was shown by #7 Roland Coleman and #34 Keon Griffin. Wheeler's Head Coach Brandon Melvin stated, "The coaching staff is very proud of our boys. It was a great game to witness!"

East Paulding will take on the Kell Longhorns at Kell High School this weekend, while Wheeler will take on North Paulding's 2nd grade Navy team at Wheeler High School.

#### 3rd Grade

#### Marietta vs. North Paulding

North Paulding and Marietta engaged in one of their trademark hard-hitting defensive battles this past Saturday, with North Paulding getting the best of Marietta 6-0.

North Paulding opened the game with what proved to be the game's only touchdown behind the running of #27 Grayson, #6 Marchese, and timely quarterback runs by #9 Russell. Just as important was the strong blocking up front by North Paulding's

offensive line.

After that both teams displayed swarming defenses. Marietta's defense was led by linebackers Landon Stewart, Carson Snipes and Bryce Woods along with defensive ends Alec Huff and Lewis Richards. Xavier Gwynn came down from free safety to make key tackles, as did Cam Wilson and Parker Meador from middle linebacker and Jayden Penny from cornerback.

North Paulding's defense was led by hard-hitting #55 Bentley, as well as outstanding cornerback play by #3 Chambley.

Perhaps as much as the game itself, the highlight for all was the post-game meeting of both teams at midfield.

Marietta's Head Coach Clint Austin explained, "The North Paulding-Marietta rivalry has been an example of how two teams can play tough football during the game and be sportsmen after the game. Both teams engaged in a voluntary prayer at midfield, put arms around each other, and several of the boys actually played baseball together the next day still talking about the outstanding spirit of football fellowship both teams felt the day before. You don't want to miss the next time these two teams get together!"

This weekend, the Blue Devils will battle against the Walton Raiders at Walton High School and the Wolfpack will take on Wheeler's 3rd grade team at the Wildcat's home field.

#### 4th Grade

#### Pope vs. McEachern Blue

The Pope Greyhounds battled against the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade McEachern Blue Indians at McEachern High School on Saturday, with the Greyhounds pulling out a win, 6-0. It was a great game at a great venue with amazing fans on both sides!

A defensive battle by both teams proves every possession counts as the Greyhounds ran 35 offensive plays to the Indians' 21. Pope's offensive line battled hard and the Indian defense showed up to the challenge.

A first half goal line stand from the 5-yard line by McEachern kept Pope from the end zone at the conclusion of the first half. With #99 Kewan Donald clogging the middle of the field, Pope was forced to try the edge of the Indian defense. Key tackles by Cam Traylor #1, Toryn Wilkins #7, Kaden Stroud #2, TraQuan Reed #54, and Colin Redhead #78 secured the 0-0 score.

Mistakes were costly as the second half opened for the Indians with two onside kick return attempts by #8 Quincy Barnes and #54 TraQuan Reed, which were unfortunately unsuccessful. The Greyhounds were then given the opportunity to score in the 3rd quarter and hold on to the lead for the rest of the game, 6-0.

The Indians had one last chance to tie or win, but a costly holding call and a missed play action pass secured the victory for the Greyhounds.

Pope's Head Coach Marc Alterman noted, "Every player on both teams played exceptionally well. It was a total team effort from both teams' offense and defense and was an amazing game to watch."

Both teams will be playing on their home turf this weekend, as the Indians take on the Lassiter Trojans and the Greyhounds take on the 4th grade Walton Red Raiders.

#### 5th Grade

#### Harrison Green vs. McEachern Blue

Harrison Green came to ready to play spoiler for McEachern Blue's Homecoming.

On the Indian's opening drive, the Hoyas forced a turnover in the red zone when it looked like the Indians were going to score. The 1st quarter ended with neither team scoring, 0-0.

In the 2nd half, the Indians' hardworking offense scored 28 points, while their tough defense held off the Hoyas from the endzone, making the final score of the game 28-0.

Although it was a tough loss, Harrison's 5th grade team played incredibly hard and never gave up.

On offense, Quarterback #1 Ryan Strickland showed great leadership. Running Backs #3 Terry Wilson and #7 Malik Ishmail had outstanding vision and ran hard.

On defense, linebackers #34 Channing DuBose and #12 Josiah Davie displayed great leadership and led the team in tackles.

McEachern Blue will be traveling to East Paulding High School this weekend to take on the 5th Grade Silver Raiders. Harrison Green is off this weekend with a bye.

# Photo Gallery











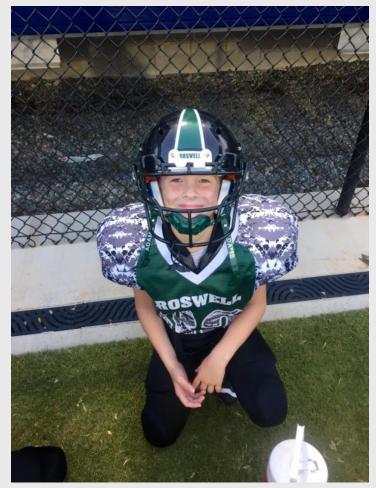


The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade East Paulding cheerleaders showing amazing team spirit!

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