

# COBB FOOTBALL LEAGUE 2016 Newsletter



All CFL Members,

Welcome to Week 5 of the 2016 Cobb Football League season. We hope everyone had a wonderful time off last week. Let's make it another great weekend full of hard work, outstanding sportsmanship, and fun!

# CFL Schedule – Saturday, October 8, 2016 PLEASE CLICK HERE

for the Cobb Football League - Week 5 schedule to ensure that you have the correct times and locations for Saturday's games!

## **Reminder for This Weekend**

As noted on the schedule:

- All Harrison games will be hosted at Lost Mountain Park
- All Marietta games will be hosted at Northcutt Stadium
- All HOME McEachern games will be hosted at Wildhorse Creek Park

# **Games of the Week**



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

### K-1st: McEachern vs. Pope

Location - Pope High School Time - 10:45 AM

### 2nd: North Paulding Navy vs. Sprayberry

Location - Sprayberry High School Time - 9:00 AM

### 3rd: Wheeler vs. Roswell Black

Location - Roswell Area Park Time - 6:30 PM

#### 4th: Roswell Black vs. Walton Blue

Location - Walton High School Time - 12:30 PM

### 5th: East Paulding Black vs. McEachern Gold

Location - Wildhorse Creek Park Time - 2:15 PM

# Spotlight Game of the Week



# 3rd Grade

# Kell vs. Marietta

Location: Northcutt Stadium Time: 2:15pm



# 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 (9/24/16) "Games of the Week" can be found below:

<u>K-1</u>

### East Paulding vs. North Paulding

The North Paulding Wolfpack went head to head with their rival East Paulding on Saturday and proved victorious with a win over the Raiders, 34-6.

In what could best be described as "The Tale of Two Halves," a well prepared and well coached North Paulding Wolfpack took early advantage of two special teams miscues by the Raiders, both of which resulted in Wolfpack touchdowns. In their only offensive play in the first 16 minutes of the game, the Raiders fumbled the ball back to the Wolfpack leaving them with a 21-0 halftime deficit.

As the 2nd half began, East Paulding's Iron Man and quarterback Brayden Martinez led the East offense down the field with big runs by Rashawn Jeter and Colton Crawford. Jeter had two touchdowns called back but was able to punch one in on a 53-yard scamper late in the 3rd quarter. These players played both sides of the ball and never left the field, leading the team in tackles. A monster hit that forced a fumble by Colton Crawford resulted in the team's only takeaway. Colton also ran for 62 yards on the day. Rashawn's 13 tackles led the team trailed closely by Martinez and Crawford. Duane Whitaker added his name to the tackle squad with some corner blitzes aimed at stopping the diverse Wolfpack offense.

Sean Ford started at center for injured Gauge Benton (who lost his fight with some monkey bars) and played tremendously! Although the Raiders were unable to win this battle, they worked incredibly hard the entire game, proving the work at home is really paying off.

Both Paulding teams will be on the road this weekend. The Raiders will be traveling to Northcutt Stadium to take on Marietta White, while the Wolfpack will be traveling to Wheeler High School to battle against the 1<sup>st</sup> grade Wheeler Wildcats.

### 2nd Grade

### <u>Marietta vs. North Paulding Silver</u>

Marietta 2nd traveled to North Paulding High School on September 24th, to take on North Paulding's 2nd grade Silver team. The Wolfpack battled hard and gave the Blue Devils all they could ask for. However, Marietta's strong offense and defense proved too much for North Paulding and they were able to earn the win, 29-0.

The game started off with Marietta's captains electing to get the ball. The Blue Devils had a couple of penalties to start, but they eventually scored on the opening drive with Marietta's Titus Grant completing a 12-yard touchdown run. The 2-point conversion was completed by Cash Cauley.

The Blue Devils then went on to score another touchdown on offense before the half and completed another 2-point conversion to put them up 16-0.

The Blue Devils' defense did a great job on the goal line stand to eventually keep North Paulding out of the end zone and turn the ball over on downs. Marietta's Legend Stewart

ran the ball 90 yards after getting the ball back on the Blue Devils 10-yard line and ran it for almost 88 yards to get tackled just before making the touchdown. Stewart eventually scored again, but the Blue Devils could not complete this attempt at a third 2-point conversion.

Marietta's defense once again found ourselves defending their goal line and they were able to get the ball back with their "bend but don't break" strategy.

For the Wolfpack offense, Bodie Brumlow played well at quarterback and had a severak good runs. North Paulding's tailback Alex Queen had some great runs during the game as well.

On defense, North Paulding's Trenton Middleton made outstanding tackles all over the field.

For the Blue Devils, Marietta's offensive line (Zahir Sudler, Miles Turner, Hayden Murray, Chase Meador and Chandler Bell) did an outstanding job blocking during the game. Head Coach Mike Meador explained, "We teach blocking and tackling are the most important jobs in football. We feel like these are just as important, if not more important, than running or throwing the ball."

Bo Hurley and Rhett Schnattmeier also contributed as the Blue Devils quarterbacks, who each threw and ran a touchdown in the game.

Meador added, "Overall, our boys have worked extremely hard in practice and have overcome a lot of hurdles after our first conference loss, but this North Paulding team is a class act. They were very gracious hosts and we greatly appreciate how well disciplined of a team they are. We know we will see them again in the post season." The Blue Devils will be hosting the 2nd grade Kell Longhorns at Northcutt Stadium this weekend, while North Paulding Silver will face McEachern Gold 2nd at Wildhorse Creek Park.

#### 3rd Grade

## East Paulding vs. Roswell Green

The Roswell Green Hornets hosted the East Paulding Raiders this past weekend with the top spot in the Region on the line. Both teams came ready to play as the game was a back and forth battle between two tough squads.

After exchanging early turnovers, Roswell struck first with fullback Emory Smith taking the ball in from the one yard line after a 10-play drive to go up 6-0. Roswell's stingy defense, led by Brody Duffy, Jim Van Ede and Balint Vorosmarty, was able to hold the explosive East Paulding offense in check until with just six seconds left in the half, East Paulding broke free and tied the game 6-6.

On the first play of the second half, East Paulding took the lead on a 35-yard touchdown pass to go up 12-6. Roswell answered with another long drive thanks to the work in the trenches by offensive linemen Kaiden Perry, Wills Campbell, Luke Ring, Saalih Wright and Stew Dukes, capped by a 2-yard touchdown by Trey Smith to knot the game 12-12.

On the next possession, Roswell defensive end Emory Smith fought his way into the East Paulding backfield causing a fumble which was recovered by defensive tackle Austin Turner.

Roswell took advantage of the turnover as quarterback Brady Nee guided the offense down field for Trey Smith's second touchdown of the day, sealing the win for Roswell 18-12.

The Green Hornets will be hosting the Pope Greyhounds this weekend at Roswell Area Park, while the Raiders will be hosting Sprayberry's 3rd grade team on their home turf at East Paulding High School.

#### 4th Grade

# Harrison Navy vs. Wheeler

The 4th grade Wheeler Wildcats defeated Harrison's 4th grade Navy team on Saturday, September 24th, 38-0 on their home turf.

Wheeler's offense started fast after Jermaine Thurston Jr. recovered the onside kickoff.

After two hard runs by Malachi Young and Marcus Romain, Tsiyown Lowery dashed 5 yards for Wheeler's first touchdown. On the ensuing kickoff, Thurston struck again recovering a second onside kick. The Harrison defense flexed their muscles but after a hard fought 12-play drive, Wheeler's Malachi Young took a 4th goal run into the end zone for a difficult 6 points.

Harrison started their first offensive possession with a great run by #2 Steele Ingram. The Wheeler defense tighten up, after a false start pushed the Harrision Hoyas back, they decided to punt on 4th down. After some tough running by several backs, Malachi Young took it over the goalline from 3 yards out. Harrison's #3 Grant Largen, #25 Hayden Bramlett and #49 Brock Culp put an end to Wheeler's attempt for the extra point, stopping the running back well short of the conversion.

Harrison opened their second offensive possession with a hard run by #6 Brody Bond, but Wheeler's defense held strong behind some hard hitting by Trenton Wanjogu and Xavier Williams. Marcus Romain's 1st down run was one man away from breaking for a touchdown but the Hoya's Grant Largen made a great open field tackle to save the 6 points.

After a penalty pushed Wheeler back, Brandon Dixon reversed field for a 42 yard touchdown scamper right before the end of the first half with Wheeler leading 26-0. Jermaine Thurston and Brandon Dixon both added touchdowns in the second half for Wheeler to bring the final score to 38-0.

Wheeler's offensive line won the battle of the trenches with outstanding efforts from Trenton Wanjogu, Chase Gravette, Gabe Danner, Ben Miller, Javon Broussard, Wale Fatanmiske, Xavier Simmons and Caleb Baker.

Harrison's Head Coach Todd Largen explained:

"It was a tough loss for our 4th Grade Navy Hoyas. The 4th Grade Wheeler Wildcats played extremely well. We didn't seem to match their aggressiveness and energy from the opening kickoff. Due to fatigue and injuries, we had some players playing in new positions. I do feel like we continued to play hard in the second half and did not give up despite a lopsided score. I am very proud of our players for fighting until the last whistle. I'm looking forward to getting back to work with my 4th Grade Navy Hoyas and finishing the season strong."

#### 5th Grade

### North Paulding Silver vs. Allatoona

North Paulding Silver's 5th grade team defeated Allatoona 5th by a score of 32-0 on Saturday.

North Paulding's entire team played incredibly well. Junior Estime had a punt return for a touchdown and Austin Nagy led the offense into victory. The Silver defense also did an outstanding job.

It was a tough loss for the hardworking Allatoona team. The Buccaneers had a strong run on the first play of the game; however, due to a flag, the play got called back. It was an uphill battle from there. Allatoona's offense was unable to pull through, despite some good offensive series.

After a valiant effort, Allatoona's defense held strong and worked hard. However, with a few great long passes from the Wolfpack's quarterback, North Paulding was able to gain the scores needed.

It was a great fight from both teams where all of the players worked hard and good sportsmanship was displayed on both sides.

North Paulding Silver will be hosting Roswell Black this coming weekend and Allatoona will be taking on McEachern Blue at Wildhorse Creek Park.

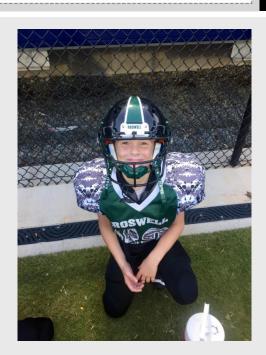
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