



COBB FOOTBALL LEAGUE 2016 Newsletter



All CFL Members,

Welcome to Week 6 of the 2016 Cobb Football League season. Let's make it another great weekend full of hard work, outstanding sportsmanship, and fun!

CFL Schedule – Saturday, October 15, 2016

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Games of the Week



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

K-1st: Kell vs. Wheeler

Location - Wheeler High School

Time - 9:00 AM

2nd: Harrison vs. North Paulding Silver

Location - North Paulding High School

Time - 12:30 PM

3rd: Allatoona vs. Pope

Location - Kell High School

Time - 10:45 AM

4th: Harrison Green vs. McEachern Gold

Location - McEachern High School

Time - 9:00 AM

5th: Roswell Black vs. Walton Red

Location - Walton High School

Time - 4:00 PM

Last Week's

Spotlight Game of the Week



3rd Grade
Kell vs. Marietta



By: Scot Parris

Last weekend brought great weather and great football to Marietta's Historic Northcutt Stadium Saturday for a special game against friendly rivals: the Marietta Blue Devils and the



Kell Longhorns. Since their first meeting at the beginning of the 2014 season, the Blue Devils are 2-1 against Kell, including a win in an exciting playoff game, going into Saturday's Homecoming.

Saturday also marked a homecoming of sorts for Tyson Griggs: the Kell 3rd grader whom many in the Cobb Football League have been praying for since his brain surgery in January. This would have been his 5th season as a Kell Longhorn; however, due to a stroke shortly after surgery and with complications that set in afterwards, Tyson was in a medically induced coma for over a month. Tyson fought back. After weeks of prayer and the outpouring support of the community, Tyson began to progress, advancing quickly through the stages of rehabilitation, and worked his way back to a being a normal boy.

Though a tough fight and an exciting game, the Blue Devils came away victorious on Saturday, with a final score of 29-6. For Marietta, Blayke Wilder had two strong runs and Landon Mannery caught a touchdown pass. Wilder also had some great blocks at wide receiver. The offensive linemen made it happen in the trenches with good efforts from Tate Jones, Brady Murray, Jamael Holsey, Jake Austin, and Cameron Wilson.

On defense, Marietta turned in a strong performance with good tackling led by Carson Snipes, Bryce Woods, Xavier Gwynn, Landon Stewart and Carzell Jackson, Jr.

At halftime, the Marietta Football Community expressed their support and appreciation of Tyson by awarding him with an official #52 Marietta Blue Devil jersey.

Marietta Head Coach Clint Austin said it best: "At Marietta, we believe in being winners on the field and in life and Tyson Griggs is a winner in life. While we gave him a #52 Marietta jersey today, we can't wait to see him running around all the time again in a #52 Kell jersey."

Kell was led by Mikey Domanik who had four completed passes

and a run of 50+ yards, Aiden Conant who pounded the ball in the middle and provided the most yards gained on the day and Thomas Shipton-Hill who caught three passes and pulled double duty in outstanding blocking, along with fellow lineman David Ornelas, Pedro Ferreria and Cameron Mansi.

Defensively, the Longhorns stumbled with the Blue Devils passing attack, but were boasted by superb performances by Aiden Conant with one interception and multiple tackles and Liam Pierce holding the defensive corner and often being the first in the backfield to disrupt the play. Jared Miller, Mikey Domanik, Bryce Carries and James Taylor also provided excellent coverage on defense.

However, the highlight of the day came on Kell's opening possession of the 4th quarter when Coach Scot Parris called Tyson into the game. Tyson (being ever mindful of his medical history) put on a helmet and called his own play: power sweep right. He then carried the ball 64 yards for the touchdown to the cheers and screams on both the Marietta and Kell sides of the field. The entire Kell and Marietta sidelines emptied and when the commotion settled, Tyson settled in to call the extra point play, barely missing a pass in the end zone.

The Kell Football Family would like to express our gratitude for the support the Griggs family has received from the Cobb Football community. Your prayers, donations, and support have buoyed a family's hopes during its darkest hour and brought a level of togetherness that is all too remote in today's world.

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. **If we do not receive a write-up from one of the coaches, we use the write-up of the other coach only, as we do not have any other information to go off of.**

Highlights from last week's (10/08/16) "Games of the Week" can be found below:

K-1

McEachern vs. Pope

The 2-2 McEachern Indians traveled to the home field of the 3-1 Pope Greyhounds. Then Indians took home the victory by a score of 20-0.

Pope won the toss and elected to receive the ball first. Their first possession was stopped and McEachern took over on downs. The Greyhounds then fought back, stopping McEachern's first possession. The first quarter ended in 0-0, as both defenses were incredibly strong and were working hard.

At the start of the second quarter, the Indians were driving down the field until the drive stalled when Pope's #5 was able to steal the ball. The Greyhounds were moving the ball in the second quarter and got stopped on a fourth down play. The Indians took over on downs and on the next possession, the Indians scored on a 35-yard run by Brandon Young. The extra point try was no good. Late in the second quarter, the Greyhounds were driving but ran out of time as the half expired. The Indians lead at half time 6-0.

To start the second half, the Indians received the kickoff. There was still a defensive battle, as neither team could move the ball. A big hit by the Greyhounds caused the Indians to fumble the ball and Pope recovered. Late in the third quarter, the Indians Ethan Menhorn burst through the hole for an 80-yard touchdown. The extra point was good by the Indians' Maurice Crockett. The third quarter ended with the Indians winning 13-0.

The fourth quarter started with the Greyhounds moving the ball. On a big 3rd down, there was a big hit by Indian Maeson Owns in the back field, which caused the Greyhounds to have a fourth and long. The Indians got another touchdown in the fourth quarter by Brandon Young for his second touchdown of the day. The extra point was no good. The Greyhounds were on the move again in the fourth quarter, but the drive was stopped on the 10 yard line. On the very next possession, the McEachern's Maurice Crockett took off for a 90-yard touchdown but it was called back for holding on the Indians. The Indians took three kneel downs to end the game, 20-0.

Both teams played hard and displayed great sportsmanship among the players and coaches. The Indians are now 3-2 and the Greyhounds are now 3-2 heading into week six of the season. McEachern will be taking on the 1st grade Wolfpack at North Paulding High School on Saturday, while Pope will be traveling to take on Marietta's 1st Grade White.

Note: We did not receive a write up from the Pope 1st Grade Team.

2nd Grade

North Paulding Navy vs. Sprayberry

The North Paulding Navy 2nd grade team traveled to Sprayberry High School last weekend to battle against the 2nd grade Sprayberry Yellow Jackets. Sprayberry took the win with a final score of 12-0.

It was an amazing game for fans, being a great defensive battle on the field. Zachary Graves of Sprayberry scored on their first play from the line of scrimmage, with a 45-yard run for a touchdown. Ian Hulbert and Abel Trotman joined together for a great goal line saving tackle on the 4th down, keeping North Paulding out of the end zone toward the end of the first half. Zachary Graves was able to take the ball 97-yards on 3rd down to end the first half of the game with a score of 12-0.

The Sprayberry defensive line stepped up with players like Durrell Wilson, Abel Trotman, Edris Nickerson, Zekiel Thomas and Caden Noel, making tackle after tackle to bring a win for the team.

The Wolfpack will be hosting Pope 2nd grade at North Paulding High School on Saturday, while the Yellow Jackets will be taking on Roswell at Roswell Area Park.

Note: We did not receive a write up from the North Paulding Navy 2nd Grade Team.

3rd Grade

Wheeler vs. Roswell Black

Wheeler's 3rd grade team traveled to Roswell Area Park on Saturday to take on Roswell Black 3rd Grade. Roswell proved victorious with a final score of 34-0.

The Hornets were able to move the ball effectively between the tackles all day against a solid Wheeler defense. Turnovers also played a big part in the Hornet's success, as they capitalized on two first half on-sides kicks and picked off both Wildcat pass attempts.

Defensively, Roswell Black limited the talented Wheeler offense to just two first downs in route to their fourth consecutive shutout.

The Roswell team will be traveling to Walton High School this weekend to battle against the 3rd grade Raiders, while the Wheeler Wildcats will be hosting Harrison 3rd on their home turf.

Note: We did not receive a write up from the Wheeler 3rd Grade Team.

4th Grade

Roswell Black vs. Walton Blue

The Walton Blue 4th Grade Raiders hosted the 4th Grade Roswell Black Hornets this weekend. It was a hard fought game on Saturday afternoon, with amazing work from both teams. The Raiders gained the win by a close score of 12-7.

Walton took the opening kick-off 50 yards down the field for a touchdown. The Raider's backup quarterback, Nick Thorner got the start this week vs the Hornets. He led the Raiders down the field for the opening touchdown, which was completed by Kieren Smith. Roswell then responded with a touchdown drive and PAT, taking a 7-6 lead. Walton responded again when Jake Thorner had a great run for a touchdown and took a 12-7 lead into half.

It was a slow 2nd half, with both teams struggling to move the ball. The game ended with a final score of 12-7.

Offensively, the Raiders played what Head Coach Thomas Miller called one of their "best games of the year."

All of the Raider running backs, Marley Miller, Cooper Nelson, and Nick Thorner, had a great day. Additionally, the win would not have been possible without the outstanding effort from the offensive line: Ethan Stanard, Tommy Ross, Warren Daniel, Ryan Siegle, Pete Spivey, Wilson Watley and Payton White.

For the Hornets, Nicky Liguori and Ben Weir did their best defensive work of the season and kept Walton's offense in check most of the game.

Walton Blue's defense did an outstanding job as well, led by Nick Thorner, Jake Thorner, Marley Miller, Tommy Ross, Kieren Smith and the rest of the defense. The team had several open field stops, two fumble recoveries, one interception and an on-side kick recovery.

Coach Miller explained, "These guys played an amazing disciplined game of football. I couldn't be more proud of my boys."

5th Grade

East Paulding Black vs. McEachern Gold

In a battle for first place in their division, the undefeated 5th Grade McEachern Gold Team and the undefeated 5th Grade East Paulding Black Raiders went head to

head Saturday. The Indians came out on top, marking their spot as 1st place in their division, with a 37-0 win over the Raiders.

Early in the first quarter, Braylon Ford of the Indians intercepted a Raider pass. That set up an offensive drive that ended with an Indian touchdown by Cameran Loyd. With both teams playing exceptionally well, the Indians defense held the Raiders in the first half. Seth Parker and Jaylen Frazier added touchdowns before the half ended, sending the teams into half time with the Indians up 18-0.

The Indians received the 2nd half kick off and started their possession from the 40 yard line. On the opening play, Cameran Loyd went on another touchdown scamper making the score 24-0. McEachern Gold then added two more touchdowns by Seth Parker and Braylon Ford. The final extra point was good with Jahsier Ratliff rushing up the middle to close out the score at 37-0.

The Indians will host the Pope Greyhounds at McEachern High School, and the East Paulding Black Raiders will be facing the Wheeler Wildcats at East Paulding this Saturday, October 15th.

Note: We did not receive a write-up from the East Paulding Black 5th Grade Team.



CFL Teams Support a Special Cause This Month

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease. Many CFL teams are showing their support by using pink gear throughout this month, including wearing pink socks and using pink pom-poms. The pink ribbon is an international symbol of the cause. Pink ribbons, and the

color pink in general, promote the awareness and express moral support for people with breast cancer and survivors of the disease.



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