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Yellowjackets, Hawks mascots pump, pump, pump it up at 'Back to School' rally

Mascots from Rockwall High School and Rockwall-Heath High School strutted their stuff and did Rockwall proud as they took the WFAA-Channel 8 television "Back to School" special Tuesday, Sept. 16, in downtown Dallas. The show aired live at 8 p.m.

The varsity and junior varsity mascots from the Rockwall joined other mascots, cheerleaders and drum lines from Fort Worth area schools to usher in the new school year and get the season with dancing, music, cheering and even a little grape crushing! The cheerleaders from Rowlett High School and the mascot from North Mesquite High School were also at the event.

The 2009-2010 RHS mascot is Sabrina Ramirez. The RHHS mascots are Chandler Cox, Varsity, and Andee Aulbaugh, Junior Varsity.



WFAA-Ch. 8 News anchor Rob McCollum makes like a dinosaur with Rockwall High School Yellowjackets mascot Sabrina Ramirez (right) and Rockwall-Heath High School Junior Varsity mascot, Heidi Hawk (aka Andee Aulbaugh), at left, at the Sept. 16, 2009 "Back to School" live broadcast from the station's studio in downtown Dallas. The RISD mascots rocked the house both inside and outside the studio to help bring in the new school year.

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Rockwall County News Briefs

Leadership R'wall plans event, orientation

Leadership Rockwall will host an alumni mixer and orientation for its Class of 2010 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Rockwall Area Chamber of Commerce Board Room. The mixer runs until 6:30 p.m., followed by the orientation. To RSVP call leadershiprockwall@gmail.com or call 972-771-5733.

Meeting set for Rockin' Riders

The monthly Rockwall County Rockin' Riders 4-H Horse Club meeting is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday at the County Extension Office, 1350 E. Washington. Karen Bander, founder of the Rockwall County equine rescue group, Throwaway Ponies, will be the speaker. New members and guests are welcome. Call 972-771-7660 or visit orgsites.com/tx/rockwallcounty4-horse-club for more details.

Food Pantry needs items

The Helping Hands Food Pantry currently has a shortage of the following food items: oil, flour, peanut butter, jelly, sugar and canned goods. Items may be dropped at Helping Hands' Building A, 1350 E. Washington Street or the Rockwall County Library food drive in the lobby.

Lunchbox Series meeting set Wednesday

The next Lunchbox Series meeting will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Rockwall City Council chambers. Updates on state and federal laws and good business practices will be offered. Catered lunch will cost \$10. Register by calling 972-771-5733.

Ministerial Alliance to meet

The September meeting of the Rockwall Ministerial Alliance (Pastors' Prayer Time) is set for noon Wednesday at the Rockwall County Helping Hands Conference Room. Those planning to join the meeting are encouraged to bring a brown bag lunch. For more details call 972-771-5526.

Teen Anime Group plans meeting

The Teen Anime Group will meet from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Rockwall County Library. The group is open to teens in grades 7-12.

KnoWhat2Do meeting set Thursday

Rockwall County Emergency Management will host its second KnoWhat2Do meeting from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Roysie City City Hall. September is National Preparedness Month, and this meeting is an effort to help residents prepare for potential local hazards. For more information call 972-772-6625.

Corner Pocket to play

Corner Pocket will perform at the free City of Rockwall concert by the Lake Series event beginning at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at The Harbor Amphitheater, 2047 Summer Lee Drive. For more information visit rockwall.com/parks.

Christ for India fundraiser set Friday

Christ for India will have a fundraising banquet beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Hilton Bella Harbor in Rockwall. The event will include a video presentation of the educational and humanitarian missions under way in India. There will be no charge to attend, but participants will be given the opportunity to contribute to the ministry. Seating will be limited. To make a reservation (adults only) call 972-771-7221 or e-mail cfimin@christforindia.org.

Church to install new pastor

The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Rockwall invites the community to the ordination and installation of its new pastor, Cheryl Taylor, at 2 p.m. on Sunday. A reception will follow. The church is located at 602 White Hills, off of Ridge Road and I-30 near Wal-Mart's side entrance.

Newcomers plan Sunday picnic

The Rockwall Newcomers Club invites its members and new guests to attend a potluck picnic from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday at Harry Myers Park. Members are asked to bring a covered dish to share. Refreshments will be furnished by the club. For more information or to RSVP call Gleneva DeYoe at 972-772-5606.

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Senator Hutchison to speak at GOP women's luncheon

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison will be the featured speaker at the Oct. 10 Rockwall County Republican Women's 5th Annual Luncheon at the Hilton Bella Harbor Hotel in Rockwall.

Doors will open at 10:30 a.m.; lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.

A silent auction and live auction, as well as entertainment, are planned.

Tickets cost \$30 apiece and may be purchased at the Harbor Post Office, 2850 Shoreline Circle in Rockwall (weekdays, 9

a.m. to 4:40 p.m.) or at the GOP Office, 105 S. Jacinto, Rockwall (Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon).

Tickets also may be purchased or items donated by contacting Lea Carlson at 214-507-4482, lcarlson1@verizon.net (tickets/sponsors); Hava McClintock, 214-934-5591, hava@proble.com (tickets/donations); or Ann Easterwood, 214-288-4890, annedesigns@charter.net.

Information also is available on the organization's Web site: rcrw.org.



Pictured above, from the left, are Jo Leonard, Katherine Ann Strain, Virginia Lambert and Tommie Smith who were on hand for the September Brown Bag Lecture at the Historic Courthouse. Topic for the month was "Team Players," featuring cheerleaders, band members and pep squad members and their uniforms "from as far back as three Rockwall High School buildings ago." Yells, game memories, parades and sponsors of the past were remembered by those present. The Oct. 9 Brown Bag Lecture event, "Talking Tombstones: Voices of Rockwall's Past," will take place at noon in the courtroom of the Historic Courthouse. The event will be free and open to the public.

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Rockwall County Sports



Rockwall Christian's Charlie Wilson (5) finds himself surrounded by Colleyville Covenant Christian defenders after catching a short pass from Stephan Turner.
Photo by Roy Heath/Rockwall County News

Colleyville Covenant Christian takes 54-21 win over Rockwall Christian

By Lary Bump
The Rockwall Christian Academy Warriors knew they would have to outscore Colleyville Covenant Christian to overcome its high defense.
RCA stayed with the Cougars until midway through the game but Covenant used a fumble recovery to score three touchdowns in a 10-minute span. The Colleyville team went on to a 54-21 victory at muddy Dobbs Field.
Cougars quarterback Brett Maxie and wide receiver Caden connected just four times, but all were long passes that totaled two touchdowns. For the game, Maxie completed seven of 18 passes for 207 yards and three scores, and also ran for a touchdown.
"We couldn't cover them," said Warriors head coach Caleb Palmer. "I had a feeling they were going to come in and try to run our throats. They established their running game so we put our box. Then when they threw the ball, even when they were receivers they were open. Their receivers and stronger and bigger. Stronger and bigger would be good adjectives to describe the game."
Covenant Christian came in averaging 29.7 points per game in memory of last year's 73-49 win over Rockwall Christian. Covenant also had 35 players to 18 for RCA. Their 16 cheerleaders rallied the Warriors.
The manpower advantage grew during the game. A shoulder injury to All-State middle linebacker Cody Wallace to kicking. Then Randy Castaneda, who moved from defensive end to place, went out with what Palmer said was a knee injury.
"With Cody out and the backup middle linebacker out, we really have a third string," the coach said.
Wallace's limitations were noticed even when he was in the game. RCA's first possession resulted in a loss of a yard. When the Cougars back to punt, a high snap caused him to have to run out of bounds, a blocked punt and contact. Covenant Christian took a lead plays later when Michael Hyde ran for a touchdown.
Wallace kicked off to start the second half. The Cougars took the ball at their 21 yard line and ran 79 yards down the field for a touchdown.
Palmer said, "We didn't have a safety back because we took it back to our bench after he kicks off." The Warriors' bench is on the opposite sideline.

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Royce City Bulldogs lose final non-district game 36-17 to Mt. Pleasant Tigers, fall to 0-3

MT. PLEASANT - Although they took the early lead, the Royce City Bulldogs were unable to hold on, as they closed out their non-district football schedule by falling to Mt. Pleasant 36-17.
For the Bulldogs, who dropped to 0-3, things don't get any easier when District 10-4A play starts next Friday.
RC will open up at home against Rockwall (2-1), the 10th ranked team

in the DFW area.
After senior Ryan Fedric broke loose for a 45-yard score less than a minute into the game to put the Bulldogs up 7-0, Mt. Pleasant (2-2) scored twice later in the first quarter to take the lead for good, 14-7.
The Tigers moved out to a 28-10 margin when Logan Whitaker, who led all rushers with 227 yards as well as scoring four touchdowns, scored on a 63-yard run.
A Taylor Corbin-to-Jonathan Burns 22-yard TD pass pulled the Bulldogs to within 28-17 at the half, but they would get no closer in the final two quarters.
Whitaker scored his final touchdown in the third quarter to close out the scoring.
Though they seldom passed, with two quarterbacks combining to complete only 3-of-5 throws for just 82 yards, the Tigers racked up 392 rushing yards.
RC, meanwhile, had a more balanced attack, rushing for 152 and passing for 217, with Corbin hitting 17 of 26 passes with no interceptions. His favorite target was Kristopher Smith, who had game-highs in catches (8) and receiving yards (159).

RC	7	10	0	0-17
Mt. Pleasant	14	14	8	0-36
RC - Ryan Fedric	45	run (Sterling Mullen kick)		
MTP - Landon Whitaker	3	run (Whitaker run)		
MTP - Benny Blaize	52	run (kick failed)		
MTP - Whitaker	61	run (kick failed)		
ROY - Mullen	34	FG		
MTP - Whitaker	63	run (Andrae Haley pass from Cash Thompson)		
RC - Jonathan Burns	22	pass from Taylor Corbin (Mullen kick)		
MTP - Whitaker	2	run (Whitaker run)		

	RC	MTP
First downs	19	11
Rushes-yards	35-152	43-392
Passing yards	217	82
Passes	17-26-0	3-5-0
Punts-ave.	4-35	6-30
Fumbles-lost	5-3	11-0

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2009 Radio/Webcast Football Schedule

Date	Radio	Webcast
09/25	Jackets @ Royse City	Hawks vs Green
10/02	Hawks vs Jackets	Hawks vs Jacket
10/08	Jackets @ Turner	Jackets @ Turne
10/09	Hawks @ Newman-Smith	Hawks @ Newman-Smi
10/15	Jackets vs J.J. Pearce	Jackets vs J.J. P
10/16	Hawks vs Royse City	Hawks vs Royse
(Homecoming)		
10/23	Hawks @ J.J. Pearce	Hawks @ J.J. Pe
10/24	Jackets @ Newman-Smith	Jackets @ Newman-Sm
10/29	Hawks vs Turner	Hawks vs Turner
10/30	Jackets vs Highland Park	Jackets vs Highland Pa
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11/06	Hawks @ Highland Park	Jackets @ Green

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CA grows up in 54-8 rout of King's Academy

Christian Academy had a big way for its first victory this season, routing King's Academy Christian 54-8 Friday night at Rockwall High School.

CA didn't dampen the spirits of its supporters as it won a 6-0 edge after one quarter with six touchdowns and a 26-8 halftime lead.

CA head coach Robert Mateer ended the game with six-man 5-point mercy rule.

"We started a little slow but surely got better. In the second half, we moved Austin around a little bit," Huckabee said. "We let him carry the ball and catch it. We're tweaking with getting everybody in the right position. Everybody has to play a lot of positions in six-man football."

Pettit's 63-yard reception came on a pass from freshman backup quarterback Nathan Mateer. "Nathan had a good game. We got him a little time and experience."

HCA's defense frustrated the Royals, holding them to three first downs and 99 yards of offense.

The Eagles (1-2) were playing

for the first time in 13 days because rain canceled their Sept. 12 game against Bulverde Bracken Christian.

"It might have helped us coming off two tough losses. We need experience and need game time, but that time off might have made them a little more ready to play," Huckabee said.

He added that King's (2-1) was not as strong as Tomball Rosehill Christian and Calvert, which defeated Heritage Christian by a combined score of 114-12, "but we played a lot better."

HCA will attempt to even its record Saturday at 2 p.m. at Dallas Tyler Street Christian.

This article includes information from Jeff Mateer.

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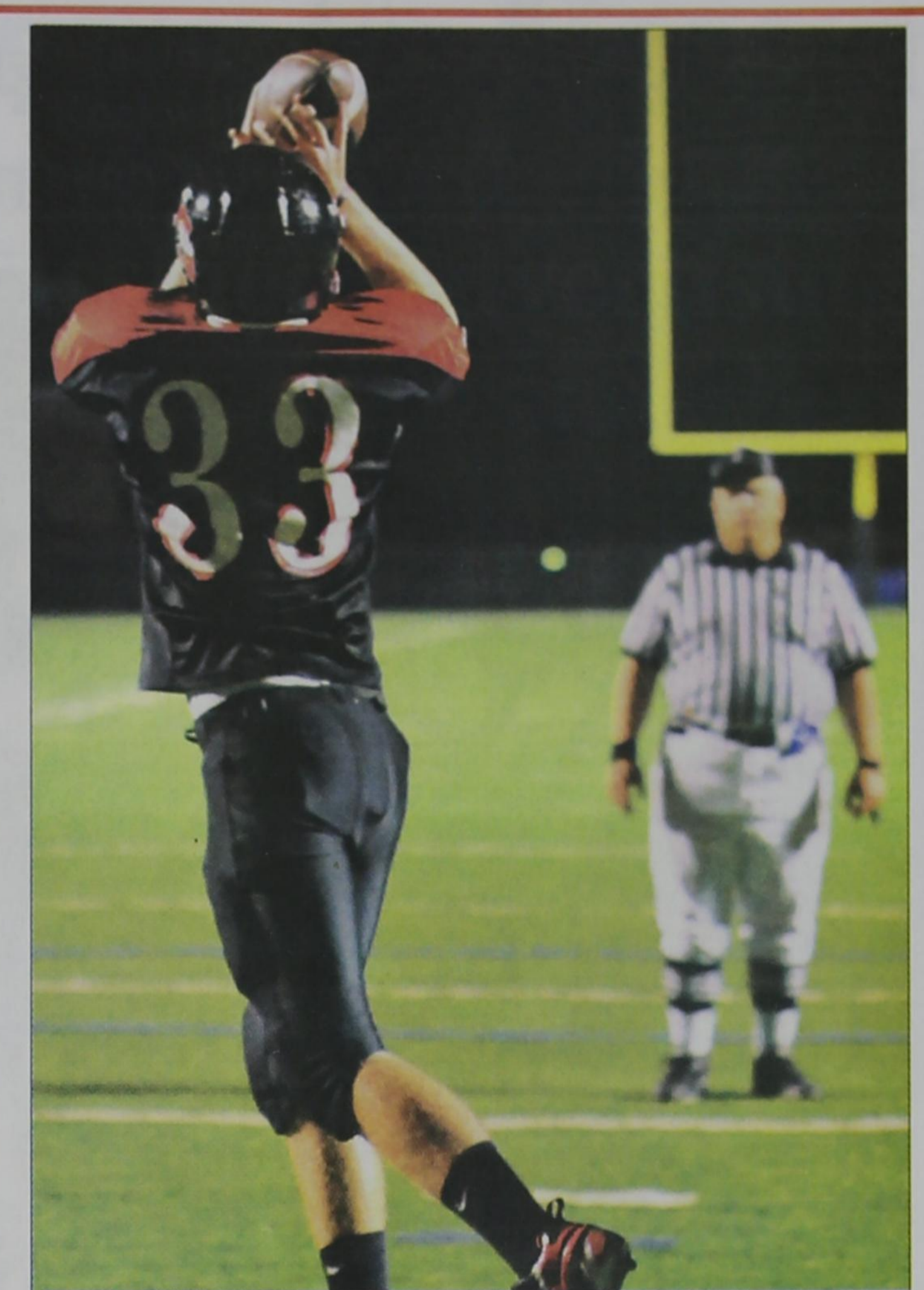
Christian had countered Covenant's easy first touchdown with plays by Stephan Turner. He returned the kickoff 58 yards and handed off to Elvis Below to set up Turner's 1-yard touchdown run. Turner ran 15 yards to put the Cougars back ahead, but again Turner was stopped by the Eagles. His 59-yard run helped move in to Covenant's 4 yard line but a shovel pass fell incomplete and the Warriors gave up the ball on the next play.

Turner and RCA came back, going 73 yards in 11 plays to his own 10 to cut the deficit to 21-14.

Turner had gained 105 yards in 10 carries. After that, Covenant stopped him for a negative 18 yards in six carries. Included in that was a 1-yard loss on Turner's pitchout that the Cougars recovered to start the second quarter.

Turner explained, "They did a much better job sitting. We had a backfield motion. They stopped sending a linebacker across with the middle. We were in position to stop Stephan."

The Warriors will return to Dobbs Field to play Dallas Home School Athletics on Friday at 7:30 p.m.



Sam Prater (33), HCA's only senior, catches a touchdown pass on the first half's final play. Photo by Roy Heath/Rockwall County News

Warriors knew they would overcome no high-scoring game through the season. The Warriors scored three touchdowns on a 54-21 victory over King's Academy.

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	1st	2nd	3rd	Final
King's	0	8	0	8
HCA	6	20	28	54
		King's	HCA	
1st downs	3	15		
Rushes-yds.	22-86	26-192		
Comp-att-int	5-18-0	7-13-1		
Passing yds.	13	208		
Total yds.	99	400		
Penalties-yds.	3-15	4-30		
Punts-avg.	3-30.0	0-0		
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0		

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Hawks hold on to escape with 10-6 win against Hillcrest Panthers to end non-district schedule



Senior defensive lineman David Tanner (40) zeros in on Hillcrest quarterback Deandre Woods (10) during the Hawks' 10-6 win Friday at Franklin Stadium. Tanner dropped Woods, who ended the night with 12 carries for minus 15 yards, for a loss on the play.
Photo by Carl McClung/Rockwall County News



Sophomore Dru Mayfield (12) returns an interception 30 yards against Hillcrest last Friday in the Hawks 10-6 non-district win over the Panthers last Friday.
Photo by Carl McClung/Rockwall County News

By Matt McGillen

DALLAS – If it was a blind date, you couldn't even say unattractive, but it had a good personality. The non-district finale between Rockwall-Heath and Hillcrest Friday at Franklin Stadium was so ugly offensive that the only thing redeeming about it was that the Hawks won 10-6 and a 2-1 record as they head into District 10-1A next Friday.

Heath did dominate the stats defensively, surrendering only 289 yards passing and more than stopping the Panthers' offense, holding Hillcrest to a minus 24 yards on 16 carries in the game.

The Hawks were especially tough in the second half, getting just 29 yards of total offense, with Armando Villa catching two interceptions on consecutive Hillcrest possessions late in the third and early in the fourth periods.

It was the Hawks' offense, however, that shot itself in the foot many times it probably doesn't have any toes left to stand on. Fumbling the ball eight times, and losing four, Heath turned the ball over a total of five times including Kevin Rodgers fumbling off on the Hawks' fourth play of their opening drive.

After the suddenly pass-happy Panthers – they had thrown 159 yards total in their first two losses – took a 6-0 lead on a 39-yard pass from Deandre Woods to Anterrie Maxey with 13:39 in the first quarter, the Hawks put together their first of several meaningful drives of the game.

After Heath blocked the PAT, the Hawks' Ryan Peterson returned the ensuing kickoff 16 yards to the Heath 46.

Six plays later, Rodgers connected with Peterson for 11 yards out to tie the score at 6, and Trevor Pinkston put the Hawks ahead 7-6 with his PAT. Pinkston would later add a 33-yard field goal – that would have been good from 50 – to make the score 10-6 close out the scoring with 7:09 remaining in the third quarter.

Not that the Hawks didn't have more chances to add to the lead.

Following a 30-yard interception return by sophomore Dru Mayfield that gave Heath a first-and-goal at the Hillcrest 13 with two minutes left in the third, Rodgers fumbled away on the next play with Hillcrest recovering at their own 13.

In the second period, the Hawks had a first-and-10 at the Hillcrest 13 but sophomore Dorian Lawry had the ball ripped loose for over.

The other important drive for the Hawks came late in the third period when they took over at their own 36 following a punt by Hillcrest with 5:24 left in the game.

After Jesse Irokwe picked up six yards on his first carry, Rodgers lost three when he recovered his own fumble. Senior QB then found Clark Pope for 17 yards and a first down at the Hillcrest 44.

A holding penalty moved the ball back to the Heath 35. Rodgers then hooked up with Peterson for 19 yards and a first down at the Panthers' 35. Irokwe then ripped off gains of 14, 11, four and six yards to give the Hawks two more first downs at the Panther 11-yard line, and more importantly, keep the clock off the Panthers' offense.

Rodgers lost nine on the next play when the ball got away from him but he recovered his own fumble and Irokwe carried over the four yards as time ran out, after the Panthers inexplicably used their final two timeouts.

Guess they were ready for the date to end as well.

Heath 0 7 3 0-10
Hillcrest 0 6 0 0-6

Hillcrest – Anterrie Maxey 9 pass from Deandre Woods (blocked)

Heath – Ryan Peterson 17 pass from Kevin Rodgers (blocked), Trevor Pinkston kick

Heath – Pinkston 33 FG

First downs	Heath 21	Hillcrest 11
Rushing	35-202	20-132
Passing yards	214	214
Passes	20-37-1	18-41-3
Punts-ave.	3-36.0	6-50.0
Penalties	9-80	6-44
Fumbles-lost	8-4	2-1

Rushing: Heath – Dorian Lawry 14-101, Hillcrest – Brown 1-2, Jimmy Rayo 1-2, Rocky Reyes 1-1, Deandre Woods 1-1, Brett Mayberry 1-(-18).

Passing: Heath – Hillcrest – Woods 14-28-1-226, Hillcrest – Brown 1-1, Anterrie Maxey 1-9, Phillip Pitts 2-17, Rhyland Pitts 1-1-63.

Receiving: Heath – Clark Pope 2-29, Cameron Peterson 1-17, Amaris Fields 2-17, Tyler Harding 4-43, Lawry 1-7, Rocky Reyes 1-1, Hillcrest – Braylon Adams 3-23, Brown 1-61, Armando Villa 1-14, Anterrie Maxey 1-9, Phillip Pitts 2-17, Rhyland Pitts 1-1-63.

THIS WEEK IN HAWK SPORTS

TUESDAY – 9/22

All Volleyball vs. Roysie City @ Roysie City @ 5:30/7:00

Varsity Tennis vs. Terrell @ RHHS @ 4:00

JV Girls Golf @ Town East Golf Center @ 9:00 a.m.

THURSDAY – 9/24

JV Black (A) Football vs. Mesquite Horn @ RHHS @ 7:00

JV Red (B) Football vs. Mesquite Horn @ RHHS @ 7:00

Freshman Black (A) Football vs. Greenville @ Greenville @ 7:00

Freshman Red (B) Football vs. Greenville @ Greenville @ 7:00

FRIDAY – 9/25

Varsity Football vs. Greenville @ WSS @ 7:30

Varsity Tennis vs. Lake Highlands @ RHHS @ 4:45

All Volleyball vs. Greenville @ RHHS @ 5:30/6:30/7:00

SATURDAY – 9/26

Freshman B Volleyball @ Lewisville Freshman Tournament @ 7:00

Cross Country @ Rowlett Invitational @ Springfield @ 7:00

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