

Reports for games of Sept. 6:

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Tigard 3-4 Green 19, Sherwood White 7

Saturday marked the opening of the 2008 football season for Jim Hungerford's Tigard third/fourth grade Green team. The month of August had been spent preparing for the season and the young Green Tigers came into the game against Sherwood White ready to execute on both sides of the ball. The players didn't disappoint the Tigers' fans who were treated to a 19-7 victory over Sherwood.

During the opening quarter, the Tigard Green offensive line, which was led by Brock Klosterman, Josh Linder, Jordan Fullerton, Locklin Spencer, Desmond Terry, and Zakiri Ross, paved the way to a time consuming touchdown drive that chewed up almost the entire quarter. There were some outstanding runs by wing backs Kyle Nottingham and Brett Thomas that helped put the Tigard Green into scoring position late in the quarter. However, it was quarterback Ryan Worthley who scored the first touchdown of the young season by getting behind his powerful line and plunging into the end zone.

Next, the Tigard Green defense put on an amazing four and out sequence with some key tackles and quarterback pressures by defensive tackle Anthony Raye. Raye had an outstanding game and led the team with five tackles, three of which were for a loss. The defense was stifling the entire game and only allowed one touchdown on a reverse just before halftime. Sterling Roberts also performed marvelously at the defensive end position and contributed two solo tackles and effectively took away one side of the field with his disciplined play. Additionally, Luke Smith provided some blanket coverage at the cornerback position, and just missed a leaping interception in the second half.

Offensively, it was wing back Zane Woodard who put on a dazzling performance and led the team with eight carries for 56 yards. Two of his carries went for touchdowns of twenty and twenty-five yards. It was his second touchdown of the day that was the most impressive as he took it upon himself to start right, cut back left, and sprint to a twenty-five yard touchdown during the 4th quarter, putting the Tigard Green ahead to stay, 19 - 7.

Overall, it was an outstanding team effort with solid contributions from many of the players. Colby Williams chipped in with three carries for 22 yards, and Ryan Barlow and Josh Pence-Jones provided some key blocks from the tight end spot.

Perhaps what was most impressive in the win was the offense's ability to produce time consuming drives that enabled the team to dominate the time of possession over the course of the game.

Next week the Tigard Green team travels to Canby to take on Canby Blue.

Tigard 3-4 Green 19, Sherwood White 7

The Sherwood third/fourth-grade White Knights opened the season with a tough loss at home to a physical Tigard Green team. Tigard took advantage of possessing the ball throughout most of the first half due to some early mistakes by the White Knights on special teams.

Despite this, Sherwood was able to get on the board and make it a game with a 74-yard touchdown run in the second quarter by Kayd Wessels.

The conversion of the point after made it a 6 point game, and Sherwood's physical defensive play kept the game close, with strong performances by Wessels, Daniel Lehman, Jason Bemis, Jarrett Joy, Jack Johnson and Wyatt Zettlemoyer. In the end, it was Tigard that was able to capitalize on a few breakdowns in assignments and walk away with the victory.

Tigard 5-6 Green 24, Oregon City Black 0

The Tigard fifth/sixth-grade "Gang Green" wasted no time getting on the scoreboard against the visiting Pioneers. After Oregon City went three and out on its first possession, Tigard's Tyler Walker ran for 26 to the OC 3-yard line behind Chance Callaway, Paul Vickers, Nate Heaukulani and Michael McCoy.

Alex Compton punched into the end zone to make it 6-0. Tigard's Ryan Bay recovered an Oregon City fumble on the ensuing kick-off which set-up a Kyle Baldes scamper around the end for a second Tigard touchdown. Tigard's Thomas Vickers recovered another Pioneer fumble which was followed by a JT Greenough to Joel Johnson 21-yard pass completion.

Four plays later Tigard scored again to take an 18-0 lead. Tigard scored a fourth and final time when Jack Block went 10 yards to pay dirt.

Tigard's defense was tough the entire game limiting Oregon City to a handful of first downs. The defensive line play of Jacob Logan, Zack Jacobs, Tyler Prock, Austin Lassiter, Blake Hoggins, Kevin Henneman, Jack Chimenti and Justin Ziehnert was excellent. Tigard cornerbacks Ryan Schaffer, Austin Wilson, Jacob Davis and Nash Rauen did a nice job on Oregon City's wide receivers. Linebacker Sam Averette sealed the victory with an interception and run of 30 yards in the second half. With the victory, the Tigard Green is 1-0.

Tigard 5-6 Black 40, Hillsboro Blue 13

It was mid morning on an overcast yet otherwise perfect Saturday. The Tigard Youth Football fifth/sixth-grade Black team took to their home field. They would prove to be victorious over Hillsboro Blue by a score of 40-13.

The Tigard boys struck first and quick from Hillsboro's 33-yard line with a QB keeper by Brady McGetrick who would score again during the contest being sprung free with a textbook down field block by J.D. Wack. Brady finished with 59 yards on four rushing attempts. The young man also tallied four more points on successful P.A.T. attempts. Leading rusher on the day was Tanner Tropio with 98 and a TD. Also turning in impressive yardage and a score apiece was Cary Watts with 79, Michael Adkins with 56, and Jacobi Greenberg with 3 near the goal line.

The Tigers were caught by surprise on defense once with a pass play down the field, but it still took the Spartans four more tries to move the ball the final three yards. The Spartans would try that play again and give up the ball due to the heady play of Jonathan Meusch.

On another attempt as the Spartan QB threw up a prayer over the outstretched hands of Matt Hockman the ball floated into the fortunate hands Tanner Tropio bringing his tally to two. Other than that the Tigers made the Spartans earn every yard. The Tigers had 14 players turning in tackles. Most notable was Alexander Treat with 10, followed by Taylor Smith and Cameron Smith each with 4, along with Kevin Gress who had 3. The counter attack was characterized by high energy players flying to the ball, gang tackling and doing whatever it took to cause havoc with the opponent's backfield mechanics.

Credit should be given to the offensive and defensive linemen whose crucial contributions allowed the skill position players to put on an exciting show.

Tigard JV White 39, Newberg White 6

Tigard White junior varsity opened the season by beating Newberg White 39 to 6 on a beautiful late summer day at Tigard High School. Tigard White dominated the game with a hard hitting physical defense and a high-powered offense.

The defense was lead by Bradley Imai and Jake Biglow , held Newberg's offense to a net 68 yards. Imai lead the team with 15 tackles, 2 tackles for a loss. He also recovered a fumble and returned it for 20 yards. Manu Rasmussen had 10 tackles, one for a loss and Nic Hayes had 8 tackles, one for a loss. The defense was a total team effort with many players getting tackles including Travis Sanders, Jake Opatrny, Alex Janac, Logan Charboneau, Justin Jackson, Ryan Linder, Jack Nadelhoffer, Miguel Delgado, Jaylin Robinson, Matt Hilliard, Chris Watkins, Jacob Borja, Garrett Anderton, Tyler Deisner. The defense line of Jackson, Watkins, and Linder did a great job of stuffing the line of scrimmage letting the linebackers fill the gaps and make the tackles.

The offense behind a great effort on the offense line lead by Matt Hilliard, Jake Biglow, Nic Hayes, Garret Anderton, Miguel Delgado, and Logan Charboneau opening up huge holes gain 204 yards on the ground. Tigard also passed for 62 yards. Rasmussen gained 83 yards on 14 carries and he scored four touchdowns. Imai gained 82 yards on seven carries. The ground attack was also helped by Sanders gaining 26 yards on seven carries and Janac gaining 13 yards on three carries. Sanders and Opatrny did a great job running the offense, gaining 276 yards and no turnovers. Sanders completed three passes in five attempts for 62 yards. Imai caught one pass for 42 yards and Opatrny caught two passes for 20 yards. Rasmussen scored on a 99-yard kickoff return. Newberg kicked off and the ball sailed over the Tigard return team heads. Rasmussen went back to the one-yard line picked up the ball on the one-yard line, weave his way through the Newberg defense for a beautiful 99 kickoff return touchdown. The Tigard wide outs, Trevor Ellenson, Jordan Haire, Gabe Nielsen, Gavin Roche, and Jack Nadelhoffer did a great job with their down field blocks helping the offense chew up huge chunks of yards.

Tigard JV Black 34, Newberg 0

The Tigard JV Black Bandits used a balanced offense and attacking defense to swarm a determined Newberg Blue team and close out a victory 34-0.

Jett Even threw a delicate pass to Justin Alvarizares, who scampered for a 40-yard touchdown in the first quarter. Jett then connected with Ryan Cleveland in the end zone for the second touchdown of the evening. Cameron Yarnell churned for extra yards on every play at RB and QB and exploded into the end zone for the third touchdown of the night.

Braxton Latt then bolted inside and then outside and sprinted down the sidelines for a 30-yard touchdown run in the second quarter. Joe Lobbato, Maclain Bartley, and Joshua Paskewich lowered their shoulders and pounded the Newberg defense with large chunks of yards on the ground. Justin Alvarizares also turned a small gain into a 70-yard touchdown run to seal the victory for Tigard JV Black. All of the above were sponsored by the tough and determined O Line Blockers including EJ Albaugh, Joshua Araiza, Austin Koch, Joshua Kutcher, Conner LeBrun, Jacob Mullen, Jimmy Robinson, Kodi Scott, Janek Ward, Nathan Wick, and John Ellavsky.

The Tigard JV Black Defense wreaked havoc in the backfield and defended the onslaught of long passes from the Newberg Blue Offense. Jacob Mullen, Cameron Yarnell, and Janek Ward were in the backfield most of the evening. Connor LeBrun, Jimmy Robinson, Ray Barlow, Cameron Browning, John Ellavsky, and Tyler Woodworth also were in the backfield on several plays. The Linebacker core of Joe Lobbato, Justin Alvazaris, Joshua Paskewich, Maclain Bartley, Nathan Wick, and Austin Koch flew around the field cleaning up any ball carriers making into through the line of scrimmage. Jett Even and Ryan Cleveland made several bone crushing tackles from their Cornerback positions, while Braxton Latt added two spectacular interceptions from his Safety position.

Jacob Mullen added a couple extra point kicks, while Ray Barlow got off two solid spiral punts on the evening to pin the Newberg Offense deep into their own territory. Overall, a great team effort by the Tigard JV Black Bandits.

Tigard Varsity White 24, Canby 14

The Tigard defense took the field and started strong, with the defensive line (Nick Smith, Andrew Hungerford, Ken Timmins, Taylor Courtney, Ethan Lange and Xiao Liang) penetrating deep into the backfield on several plays. The linebackers (Hayden Flake, Matt Franz, Benny Wick and Justin Evans) sealed the gaps and together with strong play from the defensive backs (Mark Hall, Bryan Cabral, Chance Taylor and Chandler Kelley) forced Canby to turn the ball over on downs.

Tigard took over on offense at the 50-yard line. Quarterback Will Schaer connected with wide receiver Chandler Kelley on a 20+ yard pass during the first possession drive. Unfortunately, during this first possession, Tigard suffered a setback with a fumble in the backfield. Canby took over possession in Tigard territory.

The Tigard defense came back in, held strong for a few plays, but then let Canby score on a 30 yd pass play just beyond the fingertips of the Tigard DBs. The PAT was good and Canby took an 8-0 lead with 3:47 left in the first quarter. Canby executed a squibb kick after their score but was easily handled by Parker Garland on Tigard's 40 yard line. Tigard's offense tried running the ball, but Canby's defense locked down and eventually caused Tigard to turn the ball over on downs after an unsuccessful fourth down attempt. Canby's offense stalled after several nice penetrating Tigard tackles and the quarter ended with the score 8-0 in favor of Canby.

Canby's offense took control during the beginning of the second quarter, drove down the field and scored their second touchdown. The PAT was blocked by Benny Wick who busted through the line

and dove for the ball stopping Canby at 14 points. Benny Wick's candle was lit after that play and he proceeded to put on a running clinic for the spectators during the rest of the game. After returning the kick-off to the Tigard 40-yard line, Wick, with awesome blocking from the O-line and fellow backs, reeled off several 10+ yard runs.

Tigard managed to get to Canby's 24 yard line before stalling again and turning the ball over on downs. With just a few minutes left on the clock, Tigard's defense (including D-line performances of Jeruebe Phillips, Ken Haskett, Xiao Liang, Andrew Hungerford, Taylor Courtney and Ken Timmins) came back on the field and held Canby scoreless through halftime. Courtney had a ten yard sack during this defensive stand. Tigard got the ball back after holding again on a Canby 4th down attempt, but with only 9 seconds left in the half. The score at halftime: Canby 14, Tigard 0.

Tigard marched out for the second half and took control of the game with the offense leading the attack. The O-line (Smith, Courtney, Ehrenfelt, Andrus, Garland, Hungerford, Lange, Liang, Haskett, Timmins, Cabral and Chance Taylor) provided huge holes for the running backs (Wick, Flake, Evans, Franz and Mark Hall). Wick took advantage of these holes and busted consecutive runs of 12, 20 and finally 9 yards for a drive-capping touchdown. The PAT was good and the score was now Canby 14, Tigard 8. The Tigard defense played outstanding and forced Canby to punt after their first possession. A key play on this stance included a tipped ball by linebacker Wick on a quick slant pass play on third down. Tigard took possession of the ball on their own 24-yard line after the Canby punt. QB Schaer scooted around the left side during a critical fourth-and-10 play that gave Tigard a first down and ended the third quarter.

Immediately after the quarter started Wick continued his rushing clinic and busted a huge rush up the middle for 60 yards and a touchdown. After the PAT the score was now Tigard 16, Canby 14. Tigard kicked off to Canby to the 25 yard line with no return. Tigard's defense forced Canby to punt again with 6:06 left in the quarter. Tigard's offense took possession of the ball on its own 30-yard line. Rushing efforts by Evans and Wick during this drive brought the ball down to Canby's 9-yard line. Schaer executed a QB keeper around the right side and with excellent blocking by Flake and Taylor downfield resulted in a TD. The score was now Tigard 24, Canby 14. Tigard kicked off to Canby and with another tough defensive stand including key tackles by Cabral ended the game. Final score Tigard 24, Canby 14. Stat summary for the game: Rushing yards: Wick (150+), Schaer (30), Evans (26), Flake (2), Hall (3). Receiving yards: Kelley (24). Sacks: Liang (1), Haskett (1). Tackles: Wick (7), Evans (5), Cabral (5), Flake (4), Haskett (4), Smith (3), Kelly (3), Courtney (2), Hall (2), Hungerford (2), Liang (2), Andrus (1), Franz (1) and Phillips (1).

Tigard Varsity Green 26, Clackamas 14

The Tigard Varsity Green Tigers started their season with a solid win against the Black Cavaliers of Clackamas in a hard fought season opener. It was sunny and hot on Saturday, perfect early season football weather for Oregon. Tigard was on the road against a tough Cavaliers squad who were physical and featured a very big front line.

The Tigers started their first drive pounding it up the middle and put together a ten play 58 yard drive capped by a tricky fifteen yard reverse cross that sent Kaz Greene into the end zone to give Tigard an early 6-0 lead. Anthony Consolo had a busy day on offense and defense starting with a key fourth down tackle to force Clackamas to turn the ball over on downs. Clackamas stopped Tigard on their second drive but could not move the ball. Tigard regained possession with five minutes left in

the half and put together an impressive 78-yard drive in just four plays. This drive featured the passing game and while the Cavaliers were looking for the pass Anthony Consolo punched one up the middle for an eighteen yard touchdown run to put the Tigers up by two scores. The Cavaliers were driving and near the goal line when Zach Floyd intercepted a pass on the five yard line to stop Clackamas with under two minutes left in the half. The score was 12-0 at the end of the second quarter.

The second half was more competitive but Tigard scored their third unanswered touchdown as QB Brad Davis threw a perfect pass at least forty yards in the air to hit Anthony Consolo in stride. Clackamas stayed with their running game and this time moved the ball effectively in their first drive of the second half breaking a sixty yard touchdown run up the right sideline. It was a wake up call for the Tigard defense who still led 18-8. The Tigers came back with a long twelve play drive but eventually turned the ball over on downs to end the third quarter. The fourth quarter was a busy one for the Tigard defense. They played hard and turned up the intensity keeping the Cavalier offense in check. Kaz Greene helped shut down the passing game by making two key interceptions. Robby Chabreck, Steven Whitelock and Jamison Shields all added four tackles and Blake Chamberlain and Dylan Rhinevault combined for a sack and five tackles. Randy Maston, KVL, and Anthony Consolo (who seemed to be in on every play) had three tackles each. Other tackles and hard-hitting plays were contributed by Kyle Novy-Riley, Jordan Howe, Evan Garrison, Clay VanRiper, Alex Dean, Harrisen Stach, Hayden Wells and Dylan Culton.

Tigard added one more score through the air as Kaz Greene finished his impressive day with a touchdown reception to put the Tigers up 26-8. The Cavaliers scored as well but it wasn't enough to overcome a big deficit in the fourth quarter. Tigard won their season opener by a final score of 26-14.