

Rockets set record with 67-0 win over Engineers

By: Richard Anderkin

The Rockcastle County Rockets set a school scoring record on Friday night on their way to their fourth win of the season.

The Rockets remained undefeated in the 67-0 rout of the Estill County Engineers. The game was played in Irvine and it was the Engineers' homecoming.

What is sad for Estill County is the fact that Rockcastle could have no doubt scored 100 points against them, but the Rocket coaching staff chose to play almost every player on the team, from the starting seniors to back-up freshmen.

Rockcastle's offensive unit rolled up 577 yards, on just twenty five rushing plays and fourteen complete passes.

The Rocket defense held the Engineers to just 126 yards with the varsity defense playing only the first half as a unit.

The Rocket defense got the scoring going in the game, when sophomore Marty Reagan intercepted an Engineer pass and ran it back 20 yards for a score.

Also in the first period senior Derrick Russell scored on runs of 34 and 55.

In the second period, junior Josh Hale caught a thirteen yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback Christopher Parsons.

Also in that quarter, Parsons found Russell on a 70 yard pass for a touchdown and senior Sean Smith picked off another Engineer pass and returned it 30 yards for the score. Josh Hale finished the scoring in the second quarter with a 18 yard pass from Parsons for the score. Rockcastle led 47 to nothing at the half.

In the third period, junior Clay Dooley scored on a 70 yard run and senior Heath Payne scored two touchdowns. One on a one yard run and the

other on a 15 yard pass from sophomore quarterback Aaron Anderkin.

Senior placekicker Greg Terry, who is being looked at by several major colleges including Florida State and South Carolina made seven of nine extra point attempts.

Friday night's score of 67, broke a 24 year record set by the Rockets in 1976 when they scored 66 points against MMI.

Offensively Derrick Russell scored three times, rushed for 117 yards on four carries and caught one pass for 69 yards. All that was in the first half.

Clay Dooley scored once rushed for 75 yards on two carries and he caught one pass for 22 yards.

Junior Josh Hale scored twice and rushed for 27 yards on one carry and he caught four passes for 53 yards.

Greg Harper had two catches for 26 yards.

Senior Dackery Larkey caught one pass for 6 yards.

Heath Payne scored twice. He caught three passes for 77 yards and rushed the ball twice for 5.

Freshman Devon Russell had 14 yards on three carries. Sophomore James Russell had 4 yards on one carry. Sophomore J.T. Lovell had 31 yards on three carries. Freshman Josh Brewer had 23 yards on three carries and Brandon Campbell had 10 yards on one carry.

Freshman Shane Lynch and Devin Taylor caught carry the ball twice for no gain.

Senior Chaz Cable caught one pass for 22 yards.

Christopher Parsons had 174 yards passing and three touchdown passes. He also had five yards rushing.

Aaron Anderkin threw for one touchdown and he had 93 yards on four completions.

Defensively, 21 Rockets were credited with making tackles or assisting on a tackle.

They were: Sean Smith, 2, Tanner Abney, 4, William Blair, 4, Adam Childress, 2, Dackery Larkey, 1, Greg Harper, 2, Travis Ingram, 6, Josh Hale, 9, Marty Reagan, 9, Clay Dooley, 2, Derrick Russell, 1, Josh Taylor, 6, Stephen Boreine, 3, Matt McClure, 3, Steve Blair, 3, Doug French, 1, Brad Wesley, 2, P.J. Rowe, 10, Devin Taylor, 2, Michael Brummett, 1, Michael Hayes, 1 and Jason Leger, 1.

The Rockets begin district play on Friday when they travel to Hindman to take on Knott County Central. Hindman is 18 miles from Hazard. Travel time to the game is less than two hours.

Knott County has not won this season. Game time is 7:30 p.m.



The Rocket interior offensive line consists of only one senior and the rest underclassmen, but they have played extremely well this season. Shown above, from left, William Blair, Michael Brummett and Tanner Abney. The offense set a scoring record with 67 against Estill County Friday night.

JV beat Southwestern 50-0

The Rockcastle County High School junior varsity football team continued their winning ways on Tuesday night with a 50-0 win over Southwestern Pulaski.

The game was played at Southwestern High School and it was the team's fifth straight victory.

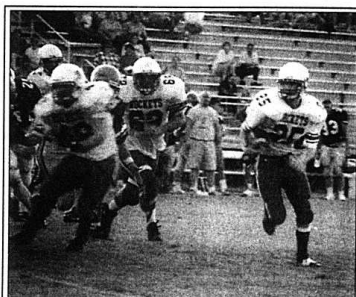
Quarterback Aaron Anderkin got the scoring going on a five yard run. James Michael Russell added the two point conversion and it was 8-0 in the first quarter.

In the second quarter, Russell scored on a four yard run and Brandon Campbell scored the two point conversion on a pass from Anderkin. Also in the second quarter P.J. Rowe scored on a 65 yard run as time ran out in the half and the JV led 22-0.

In the third period, Russell scored again on a ten yard run and Cody Reams scored on a 55 yard pass from Anderkin. J.T. Lovell added the extra point and it was 36-0.

In the fourth period Devin Taylor scored on a five yard run and Josh Hayes added the extra point to make it 44-0.

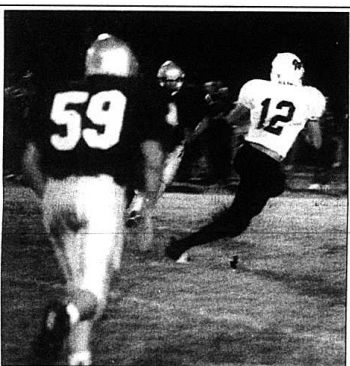
The final score of the game came on a 30 yard run by freshman Josh Brewer. The JV team plays at home next Monday night against Pulaski County. Game time is 6 p.m.



The Rockcastle junior varsity won 50-0 over Southwestern on Monday night. The team is 5 and 0. Above freshman Josh Brewer looks for running room behind Brandon Campbell and Nick Thomas.

Directions to Knott County Central

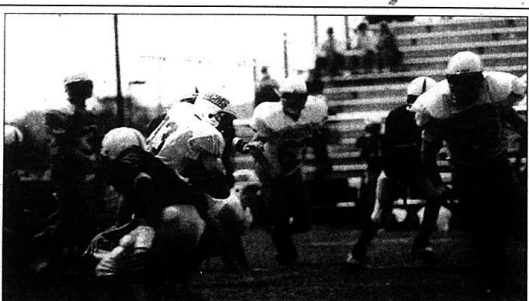
Take first London exit to Daniel Boone Parkway. Stay on the parkway all the way through Hazard. Hindman exit is 18 miles from Hazard. There will be a traffic light on the parkway for the Hindman exit. Turn right and follow ramp to bottom of hill. A sign will welcome you to Hindman. Turn right at the sign and left at next traffic light (Perkins-Madden Road). Go about 1 1/2 miles and turn right into the school. Look for a car wash on the left where you turn. Travel time from Mt. Vernon is one hour and 45 minutes or longer.



Senior Greg Harper, # 12, takes off after catching a pass from quarterback Chris Parsons in Friday night's 67-0 win over Estill County.



The Rocket defense has played well all season long. Shown above are #53 Adam Childress, #22 P.J. Rowe, #10 Josh Hale, #45 Josh Taylor and #63 Tanner Abney. The Rockets travel to Knott County Central on Friday night. They defeated Estill County 67-0 on Friday night.



The RCMS 8th grade football team is 4 and 1 on the season. Above, Max Taylor looks for running room against Danville. Also in the photo is Matt Allen and Jeff Ramey. The 7th grade is 3 and 1. Both teams play at North Laurel on Thursday night.

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Youth League Football Update

Bengals 26 - Yellow Jackets 13
Bengals scoring: Tanner Perkins - 2 touchdowns, Kyle Lear 1 touchdown, Zack Burkhardt 1 touchdown and Brandon Burkhardt 2 point field goal. Yellow Jackets scoring: Brian Mizze, one touchdown, Jason Ralder, one touchdown and Logan Kincer, one point conversion.

Redskins 8 - Wildcats 6
Redskins scoring: Mark Valerio, one touchdown and 2 point field goal. Wildcats scoring: Jody Carpenter, one touchdown.

Sixth Grade
RCMS 20 - North Laurel 12
RCMS scoring: Dustin Miller, two touchdowns and a two point conversion. Sean Childress, one touchdown.

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At left: David Rowe and Tabby Parker won first place on 8-22
At right: Doug and P.J. Rowe placed second on 8-22



At left: Kim Dale Robinson and Doug Rowe placed first on 9-12
At right: Pete Carpenter and Doug Sandlin placed second on 9-12



At left: Brian Caudill and Wayne Lewis won first place on 9-5
At right: Stoney and Sheila M. placed second on 9-5

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