

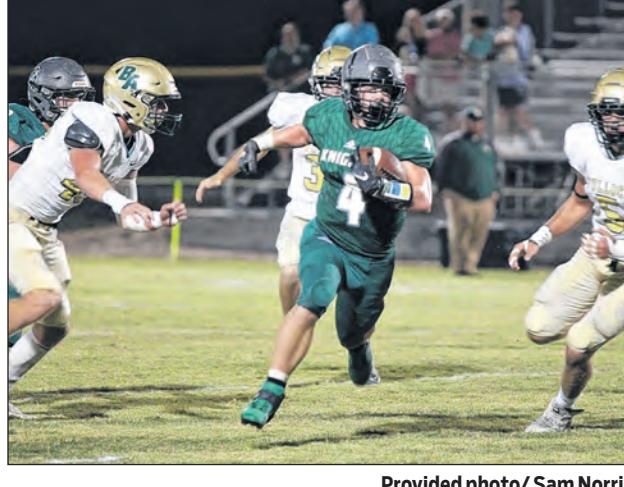
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Frederica Academy roll in dominant fashion against Bulloch



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Frederica's Jordan Triplett splits the Bulloch defense during his historic night

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Coming into the week, Frederica Academy (3-4, 1-0) was solely focused on the opening game of region play. They just happened to be scheduled to face their bitter rivals, Bulloch Academy (2-5, 1-1).

It was all about finishing the drill for the Knights as they looked to give head coach Brandon Derrick his fifth win over the Gators.

"Big game, it's Bulloch week," Derrick said after the big win. "It's one of those things, I've been here nine

years and we had back and forth battles and they have been good battles. The kids played great tonight, it didn't have anything to do with us. I thought the scheme was really good. Coach Barnes did a great job with the defense. The coaches did an outstanding job getting the kids ready all week and we went out and executed. That's what happens when you do the little things right."

Jordan Triplett scored the first of his five touchdowns of the game on the Knight's first drive of the game. Frederica marched down the field on a 14 play, 91-yard drive,

with Triplett carrying the ball 12 times for 88 yards.

Bulloch Academy was able to focus solely on Triplett for the remainder of the first half, suffocating the Knights offense and leaving the two schools in a slugfest entering the locker rooms.

In the second half, it was a completely different story for the Knights as they moved the ball around the field, leaving the Gators on the tip of their toes for 24 minutes.

Frederica came out of the half, doing the same thing they did on their first drive of the game. As they ran

14 plays for 81 yards and capped off the drive with Triplett's second touchdown of the night.

The Knights did open the offense up on that drive, throwing the ball five times and completing four for 63 yards. Thomas Veal's presence to throw the ball down the field allowed to have more holes to exploit the Gators' defense.

As Bulloch seemed to have something going after completing a 30-yard pass from Ben Aarons to Emory Jackson. On the very next play,

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COMPLETE CONTROL

Strong play from all three phases lifts Brunswick High over Richmond Hill

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The Pirates wasted little time in letting loose three years of pent up frustration.

Brunswick High's 2021 senior class had never defeated Richmond Hill until it completed a 42-7 demolition of its region rivals Friday at Glynn County Stadium.

Fumbles on back-to-back plays by the Wildcats helped stake the Pirates to a 14-0 advantage fewer than five minutes into the game, and Brunswick never looked back.

"They got the job done early," said Pirates head coach Sean Pender. "We had a three-and-out, got a good punt off, and then the defense had the scoop and score. That was huge."

"Then the fumble on the kickoff allowed us to punch it in right there and get that lead, and we were able to keep that momentum."

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Brunswick High's Kevin Thomas catches a pass over a Richmond Hill defender Friday at Glynn County Stadium.

COLQUITT COUNTY 34 CAMDEN COUNTY 31

Camden loses heartbreaker to Colquitt in overtime

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Two weeks ago, Camden County football coach Jeff Herron described his team's loss to Warner Robins the most embarrassing moment in his coaching career.

The Wildcats lost again Friday to Colquitt in an overtime thrill that Herron described as one of the proudest moments of the coaching career.

During his post-game speech to his players after

losing 34-31, Herron was moved to tears when he complimented his team's effort. Many players hugged Herron after the speech.

"This is not the same team that played two weeks ago," he said. "I'm proud and I love you. I couldn't be more proud tonight."

Camden was intercepted on its opening drive of the game. The Packers scored five plays later on a 47-yard touchdown pass from Neko Fann to Ke'navion Thomas to give Colquitt a 7-0 lead.

Zach Andreu recovered a Colquitt fumble on the next possession, giving Camden the ball on the Packers 31

The Wildcats responded early in the second quarter with a 5-yard touchdown run by Jamie Felix to knot the score at 7-7.

Colquitt was forced to punt later in the quarter, with Camden starting on the 30 yard line. Gray Loden tossed a 71-yard touchdown pass to Semaj Parker to give Camden a 14-7 lead.

Zach Andreu recovered a Colquitt fumble on the next possession, giving Camden the ball on the Packers 31

yard line. Five plays later, Loden completed a touchdown pass to K.K. Albertie for a 21-7 lead at halftime.

Colquitt opened the second half with a six play drive that started at midfield and ending with a touchdown pass from Fann to Thomas to close the gap to 21-14.

After forcing Camden to punt on the next possession, Coquitt tied the game on a five yard run by Charlie Pace at the end of three quarters.

Colquitt scored again on

its first possession of the final quarter on a nine-play drive ending with a one-yard touchdown run by Ontavious Carolina for a 28-21 lead.

Camden tied the game with 25 seconds remaining in the game on an 11-play drive ending with a three yard quarterback run by Loden.

Camden (4-4, 0-1 region) scored first in overtime with a 36-yard field goal and a 31-28 lead. The Packers (7-1, 1-0 region) put the game away with a touchdown run and a 34-31 victory.

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MCINTOSH 6

Tigers slip past Bucs

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The Buccaneers put up a valiant effort, but the Tigers proved to be too much to handle Friday as McIntosh County Academy fell 28-6 against No. 4 Metter.

Metter (7-0, 4-0 Region 2-A Public) entered the contest as a top 5 team in the classification in both points scored and points allowed. While the Tigers' defense played its part, holding the Buccaneers to a single score on the night, the offense experienced much less success than its 46.2-point per game average would suggest.

McIntosh County Academy (2-4-1, 2-2) have put together some strong defensive performances of its own in recent weeks, and it held the second-highest scoring offense in Class A-Public to just two touchdowns over the first half.

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the Gators coughed up the football and the Knights defense pounced on the loose ball.

Not only was the momentum swung completely in Frederica's favor, but they now had the opportunity to kill even more clock up 14-0 and seeing the time enter the final minutes of the third.

In true Knights fashion, the motions of Bryce Reilly, Jon Phillip Spiers, and Triplett, left the Gators guessing who would make them pay.

Veal connected with Spiers for a huge 20-yard gain to open the fourth quarter and then connected with Reilly on a crucial 3rd-and-8 play that gave them the first down. Triplett would do the rest of the dirty work the rest of the way, carrying the ball seven consecutive times for 38-yards and add his third

touchdown of the night on the drive.

"We wanted to keep them off-balanced with the passing game here and there," Derrick said. "We knew we thought we would have them and we hit them. Thomas read it and got it out and did a good job. I can't say enough about how well they prepared all week and got themselves ready and they did an outstanding job."

The lone play that Bulloch Academy was able to fair

well on was a 2nd-and-10 deep ball from Aarons to Wesley Joyce for a 66-yard score. The Gators made sure they would not be held scoreless against their rivals.

After recovering the onside kick, Triplett took matters into his own hands. As he carried the ball 11 consecutive plays, he ended the drive with a dashing sprint to the left side of the end zone and pushed the Knights up 28-7.

On the sidelines, coach Derrick was telling his play-

ers to "Finish the Drill."

Derrick told Blake Holloway to boot the ball into the end zone and keep the pressure on the Gators offense as the clock ticked under three minutes to play.

"I'll tell you what, defensively that's probably the most complete I've seen us play in a while," Derrick said. "Last year we were really good on defense and this year we've been up and down but I'll tell you what, I thought our kids were just

outstanding on defense...."

After turning the ball over on downs with an incomplete pass, the Knights weren't done running the score on their bitter rivals.

With an eight-yard gain and two no gains following, the Knights had one play left in mind.

As the clock was about to expire, Veal handed the ball off to Triplett who found an open hole on the right side of the line and made his way into the end zone.

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2-6A) entered the game ranking within the top 10 of Class 6A in both points scored and points allowed, and it improved both figures in a dominant, team win over Richmond Hill (2-5, 2-2).

Despite a quick three-and-out to open up the game on offense, the Pirates scored their first points of the contest just minutes later when linebacker Adam Mweemba hit Wildcats quarterback Ty Goldrick in the backfield, forcing a fumble, which was picked up and returned 33 yards by Jameer Lang for the score.

On the ensuing kickoff, Richmond Hill put the ball on the turf again. Ree Simmons recovered for Brunswick at the 9-yard line, and three plays later, Chuckobe Hill punched in the 1-yard touchdown to extend the Pirates' lead.

Hill scored again on the first play of the second quarter, this time from 22 yards out, as the Pirates ran away with the game.

Richmond Hill struggled to move the ball, gaining just 163 yards of total offense on the night with 78 coming in the first half. The Wildcats fumbled the ball over twice, punted four times, and turned it over

on downs over the first two quarters.

Brunswick also punted four times in the first half, but it also managed to make big plays when necessary, going into the locker room with 185 yards of total offense — 94 passing and 91 rushing. Seventy-nine of the passing yards came on the Pirates' final two plays of the half, consecutive deep balls to Kevin Thomas for 41 yards and a 38-yard touchdown, respectively.

It was the exemplification of team football by Brunswick with the offense, defense and special teams each providing major contributions towards the 28-0 advantage.

"Richmond Hill was loading the box; we had to throw it, and when we did throw it, we had success," Pender said. "It was a good team win. We ran well, we threw it well, the special teams played solid, the defense played excellent. It was just a good, all-around football game. It's what you're looking for."

After forcing a Wildcat three-and-out to open the second half, the Pirates pushed the lead to 35-0 on an 8-play, 77-yard drive. A deep ball from Sutton Ellis to Terry Mitchell that saw the sophomore receiver spin out of the clutches of two defenders and down to the goal line for 39 yards

set up Simmons 1-yard touchdown run.

Richmond Hill finally got on the scoreboard on the ensuing drive on a possession aided by a pair of penalties on Brunswick's defense, but it took fewer than two minutes off the game clock for the Pirates to respond with another touchdown on a 6-yard run by Jayden Drayton with 2:46 remaining in the third.

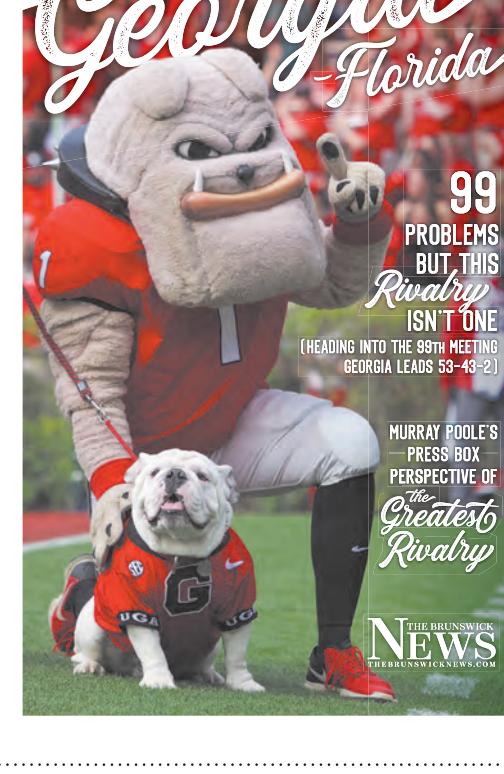
Brunswick finished the game with 302 yards of total offense with 169 coming on the ground. Hill led the team with 103 rushing yards on 10 carries.

With the win, the Pirates draw closer to an outright region title as the final undefeated team with two contests remaining. Effingham County is the only remaining region foe with one loss, and it will host Brunswick in the regular-season finale on Nov. 5.

The Pirates still aren't looking that far ahead though. First, they want to attack the upcoming bye week and prepare for the next opponent on the schedule.

"I don't care," Pender said of the region standings. "We want to get healthy, and we want to take care of Bradwell next week. That's our championship game. It's senior night. We don't want to lose senior night. We need to make sure we're ready to play."

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