SPORTS

Football falls to Carson-Newman in SAC opener

The Tornados hit the 300 yard mark rushing, led by Kelvin Jeter's 147 yards and one touchdown. Unfortunately, it wasn't enough to overcome Doug Belk's three rushing scores and Brandon Baker's additional two as Brevard fell to the visiting Carson-Newman Eagles on Saturday afternoon, 35-17.

Jeter eclipsed 100 yards rushing for the fourth time this season in carrying the ball 13

times for a game high 147 yards, including a 59-yard dash for a score to lead Brevard (3-2, 0-1 SAC) on the afternoon. Michael Crumbaker added 92 yards on 20 carries, while Thadus Benton III had 68 yards on 18 carries as Brevard's NCAA-leading rushing attack racked up 332 yards on the ground. Crumbaker struggled to get the BC passing game in motion on the afternoon, going zero for four, with one interception and getting sacked once.

Defensively, Trey Jenkins led Brevard, as the freshman recorded

11 total tackles on the afternoon and led all players with 1.5 tackles for loss. Michael Gist added seven stops and a pass breakup on the defensive side, while Christian Lumbu and Stephan Hicks both recorded quarterback hurries.

Senior quarterback for Carson Newman, Doug Belk directed the Eagles (3-2, 1-0 SAC) offense on the afternoon to 389 total yards, with 313 coming on the ground. Belk carried the ball 13 times for 118 yards and three scores and was five of nine through the air for 76 yards, with his favorite target being Marcus Huie, who caught three passes for 76 yards. Baker added a team-high 142 yards on 18 carries to go with two touchdowns, while Nate Inman added 48 yards on the ground.

Nathan Jones led the Eagles defense on the afternoon, recording seven tackles, while forcing and recovering a fumble, and recording the lone interception in the game. Jarrell Emanuel and Zeke Andrews both recorded a team-high 10 tackles, while Matt Nichols recorded a sack against BC.

THE BREVARD COLLEGE ART DEPARTMENT

You're invited to the opening of the 2010 Brevard College Alumni Art Exhibition. The opening reception will be Friday, October 8th at 5:30 p.m. in the SPIERS GALLERY in the Sims Art Center. Refreshments will be served. The event is free and open to the public. The exhibit runs from Oct. 8 – Nov. 5, 2010. The Tornados got on the board first, after forcing the Eagles into a three-and-out on their opening possession. Brevard started on their own 16 and ran the ball 13 straight plays, marching down the field behind Jeter's 55 yards on five carries and Benton's 29 yards on five carries, getting inside Carson-Newman's 10 yard line. The Eagles defense stiffened up, forcing a field goal attempt, and Chase Henry placed the kick



Kelvin Jeter rushes the ball during Saturday's game

through the uprights from 22 yards out, giving the Tornados the 3-0 lead with 6:44 remaining in the opening quarter.

A long kickoff return by Tyron Douglas set up Carson-Newman on their next possession, giving the Eagles the ball on their 41 yard line. Back-to-back 20-plus yard carries by Belk and Baker moved the ball inside the BC 10 yard line and two plays later Baker plunged in from seven yards out to put the Eagles on top, 7-3.

The teams would swap possession as Brevard gave the ball back to the Eagles on downs, but Carson-Newman punted it right back to the Tornados, before Crumbaker was intercepted on a third-down play by Jones at the Carson-Newman 25 yard line.

Brevard stopped the Eagles on first and second down, but Belk was able to find Huie for a 50-yard reception moving the ball to the BC 23 yard line on third-and-long and Carson-Newman scored six plays later as Belk carried it into the end zone to put the score at 14-3 with 4:43 remaining in the half.

The Tornados were faced with a third-and-

long situation on their next possession and Brevard was stopped as Crumbaker was tackled short of the first down by Mario Russell and Jon Gibson-Green. Electing to go for it on fourth down, Jeter took the pitch from Crumbaker around the right end and weaved his way through defenders, stopping when he crossed the goal line for a 59-yard touchdown run. Henry's extra point put the score at 14-10 with 2:14 left

on the clock.

Carson-Newman would answer less than a minute later as Belk found a seam in the Tornados defense, scrambling for 49 yards before getting shoved out-ofbounds at the Brevard two-yard line on a touchdown saving dive by Salonik Amos. Baker would take the ball over the guard on the next play, putting the score at 21-10 as the teams headed into the locker room.

The Tornados scored first in the third quarter, taking possession on their 35 yard line following

a Chris Jones' punt with 6:31 remaining in the quarter. Crumbaker took the opening snap for a 20-yard gain and later in the drive Jeter had a 21-yard scamper around the left end as the Tornados marched down the field on 10 plays. Derek Church capped off the drive, taking the pitch from Crumbaker around the right tackle and scoring from one yard out to cut the lead to 21-17 with 41 seconds remaining in the third quarter.

Carson-Newman would close out the game in the fourth as Belk carried the ball in from 10 yards out and scored later in the quarter on a quarterback keeper up the middle with just 3:57 remaining, as the Eagles closed out the SAC opener for both teams, 35-17.

Brevard opens up their South Atlantic Conference road schedule next weekend as they travel to Salisbury to take on the Catawba College Indians.

Catawba was the victor in their SAC opener this past weekend, defeating the Wingate Bulldogs, 35-28. Kickoff between the Tornados and the Indians is set for Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

