

Chris Paul Foundation to benefit from basketball tournament

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The game of basketball has always been a way to teach life lessons. The D1 Sports Training facility will hold a tournament designed to promote just that.

The second annual North Clic 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament, scheduled for next Saturday, Nov. 14, is designed to bring awareness to the positive healthy relationships basketball creates, promote understanding of how to communicate properly and good sportsmanship.

For this year's tournament, North Clic will be partner-



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ing with NBA star Chris Paul and his Chris Paul Foundation, D1 Sports and Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. Paul is from the Winston-Salem area.

North Clic originally began as a clothing brand, but founder Lloyd Leonard Jr. decided to revamp the brand into a fundraising opportunity for youth programs.

This year's tournament will have some added flavor: Last month it was announced that Joe Pope will be hosting the tournament. Pope was voted Streetball's Best Announcer in 2014. He is mostly known for announcing the Under Armour Elite

24 tournaments that are aired on ESPN.

The tournament will feature a live DJ as well.

A number of participants from last year's tournament said they had been looking forward to this year's tournament to show their skills. They expect the tournament to be a lot bigger than last year's.

Registration for the tournament will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 14. Those looking to pre-register can do so by signing up at D1 Sports Training at 1901 Mooney St.

The tournament is open to all genders ages 7 to 45.

Cost for team registration is \$50. Proceeds earned will go to the Chris Paul Foundation and the D1 Sports Training facility. For more information on the tournament, call (336) 825-7004 or (336) 210-4788.

WSSU FOOTBALL



WSSU photo

Tyree Massey, No. 5, looks for a path during the WSSU Homecoming game against Shaw University on Oct. 31.

Late mistakes cost Rams on Homecoming against Shaw

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The Shaw Bears took advantage of late Winston-Salem State University (WSSU) penalties to tie the game and send it to overtime, where an interception in the second overtime spoiled the WSSU Rams Homecoming, as the Bears came away with a 32-25, two-overtime win over the Rams at Bowman Gray Stadium on Saturday, Oct. 31.

With the win, Winston-Salem State falls to 4-5 overall, 4-3 in the CIAA and 3-1 in the Southern Division, while the Shaw Bears pick up their first

win of the season, and move to 1-8 overall, 1-5 in the CIAA and 1-3 in the Southern Division.

Shaw would get on the board first, as the Bears would connect on a four-yard passing score from Terrence Shambry II to Danny Webster. The PAT was missed, giving Shaw the early 6-0 lead.

WSSU would answer back with 9:20 on the clock in the second quarter, when Kerrion Moore would break away on a 29-yard touchdown run to give the Rams a 7-6 advantage.

Shaw, playing inspired football, answered the Rams' score on their next possession, as Shambry

would find Artravius James from 14 yards out to retake the lead, 12-6 after another failed PAT.

WSSU found another spark on this Homecoming day, and after a 10-play, 64 yard drive, Tyree Massey would cross the goal line would 1:36 left before half-time to give the Rams a 15-12 lead heading into the locker room.

The only score in the third quarter came from Shaw University, as Joe Nguyen connected on a 27-yard field goal to tie the game at 15-15 heading into the final quarter.

The Rams would go on a deliberate 67-yard, 11-play drive, but it would stall deep in Shaw territory, and Will Johnson would come on and connect on a 26-yard field goal to give the lead back to WSSU, 18-15.

In the waning minutes of regulation, the Shaw Bears would go on a long drive themselves. The Rams defense looked like they would hold the Bears and get the ball back, as Shaw would go for it on fourth and 22, but a defensive holding call would keep the drive alive for the

Bears, and with 23 seconds remaining in the game, Joe Nguyen would connect n a 36 yard field goal to tie the game and send it into overtime.

In the first overtime, it would only take Shaw two plays to find the end zone, as Terrence Shambry would find an open

Trevante Long for a 20 yard touchdown. With the PAT, Shaw would go out in front 25-18.

Winston-Salem State would answer, as Rod Tinsley Jr would find Demeeko Jones Jr for a three yard touchdown pass, and with the subsequent PAT, would tie the game at 25-25.

The Bears would score on their first play of the second overtime, as Marquise Grizzle took the handoff and got around the left end and ran free into the end zone from 25 yards out to give Shaw a 32-25

advantage.

Two plays later, Rod Tinsley Jr.'s pass would be intercepted at the Bears two-yard line to seal the victory for the Bears.

WSSU finished the game with 360 yards of total offense, (188 rushing and 172 passing), but allowed Shaw to finish with 506 yards (239 rushing, 267 passing).

Tyree Massey led the Rams' rushing attack, with 23 carries for 70 yards and one touchdown, while Rod Tinsley Jr finished with six carries for 48 yards. Kerrion Moore had eight carries for 47 yards and one touchdown and Xavier Quick had seven carries for 23 yards.

Rod Tinsley finished the day going 12 of 31 for 172 yards and one touchdown, but also three interceptions.

Rashan Williams led the WSSU receivers with three catches for 49 yards, while Demeeko Jones Jr also had three catches for 20 yards and one touchdown. Tyree Massey (40 yards), Kenneth Patterson

(27 yards), Marcel Caver Jr (20 yards), Kerrion Moore (8 yards), Eric Williams (4 yards) and William Belcher (4 yards) all finished with one catch apiece.

Will Johnson punted seven times for an average of 40.1 yards per punt. Johnson had a long punt of 49 yards, while dropping three inside the 20-yard line. He was also one of one on field goals.

Defensively, WSSU was led by Michael Bloomfield, who had a team high nine tackles, 0.5 tackle for a loss, a fumble recovery and two quarterback hurries. PJ Clyburn (5 solo), Phillip Williamson (3 solo) and Xavier Gregory (4 solo) had seven tackles each, and Michael Douglas finished with five tackles. Jayron Rankin and Aaron Johnson also finished with five tackles each.

Winston-Salem State will host Fayetteville State next Saturday for Senior Day, with kickoff scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

The game will determine the Southern Division Champion and representative in the CIAA Championship Game.

Pfafftown Packers named city champs in PYFCL

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The Pfafftown Packers Jr. Midget team capped off an undefeated season to gain a Piedmont Youth Football & Cheer League (PYFCL) City Championship over the weekend.

In the much-anticipated match-up with the Tiny Indians, the Packers were able to flex their muscle and come away with the 39-14 victory.

It seems none of the teams in the PYFCL Jr. Midget Division could match the speed and strength of the Packers,

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Multiple times throughout the season, the Packers managed to score more than 40 points.

On some occasions, teams even failed to gain a single first down.

Coming into the match-up, many expected a much closer game, because neither team had recorded a lost.

The Packers hushed all those talks early when they

jumped out to an early lead and never looked back.

A number of fans who attended the game said that although the score didn't show it, the game was tough and hard-fought on both sides.

Leon Johnson said this was his first time seeing both teams play.

"The Packers got a monster squad, from what I saw tonight," he said.

Key contributors for the Packers throughout the season include Rahkiem Morris, Jashauwyne Stephens, Antwan Spring Jr., Jaylon Weathers, Daniel Moyer Jr., Tazhae Woods, G'Mone Wilson

and Jordan Timmons.

During a game earlier this season, Packers Head Coach Gary Warren said if his team cuts down on mental mistakes, they could go all the way.

"Mental mistakes will be the deciding factor in us being mediocre and being national champions," he said. "We have to cut down on mental mistakes."

Next, the Packers will face off against Mint Hill in the American Youth Football League State Championship. The winner will go on to represent North Carolina in the national tournament held in Florida.



Photo by Tevin Stinson

The Pfafftown Packers capped off an undefeated regular season with a 39-14 victory over the Tiny Indians in the PYFCL City Championship on Sunday, Nov. 1. The Packers will now face Mint Hill in the state championship.