

Braves win 1988 East Bowl contest

The Chowan Braves football team won their second post-season bowl game in seven years by defeating Dean Junior College, of Franklin, Massachusetts, on November 14, and set eight East Bowl records in claiming the victory.

It was all Chowan from the first offensive play of the game as Braves sophomore tailback Bryan Hamm went 49 yards for a touchdown and started a scoring blitz that would see the Braves put 50 points on the score board. The extra point for the first touchdown was missed.

Hamm Sets Three Records

Hamm, named Offensive Player of the Game, had 189 yards on 14 carries and four touchdowns. He set three new East Bowl records for most points scored (24), most yards rushing (189) and best rushing average (13.5).

The Braves also set five other records, most points scored (50), most first downs (21), most yards rushing (387), most total yardage (0) and longest field goal (38).

Chowan tied two East Bowl records for most first downs by the rush (21) and most first downs by penalty (3).

Hamm's stunning opening play score, the Dean College Red Demons came back to score on a 60-yard pass from David Bauman to Michael Sturdivant with 11:36 left in the first quarter. The point after touchdown was good by Mike Muller and Dean took the lead 7-6.

That lead lasted only four minutes as Hamm capped off a 57-yard, 10-play drive for the Braves with a 19-yard dash to pay dirt. The score came with 7:36 left in a first quarter that took over 40 minutes to play. Chowan quarterback Gary Campbell ran the PAT and the Braves took the lead for keeps, 14-7.

Jump to Big Lead

It was Campbell who scored next for the Braves on a nine-yard run to finish a 54-yard drive with 9:41 left in the second quarter. The PAT kick was off and the score jumped to 20-7, Chowan.

Hamm was off and running again on a



Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, President, presents the East Bowl trophy to Braves co-captains Bryan Hamm (41) and George Koonce after Chowan defeated Dean College 50-7, to claim the second bowl victory in seven years. Members of the Braves squad watched proudly as the trophy was presented.

37-yard touchdown with 8:19 left in the second quarter. The PAT was missed and the score went to 26-7.

Campbell picked up his second nine-yard touchdown with 1:06 left in the first half to cap off a 10-play, 67-yard drive. Chowan kicker Mike Brown nailed the PAT and the score was 33-7.

It was Brown who set the East Bowl record for the longest field goal with

seconds left on the first half clock as he booted a 38-yarder and ended the half with the Braves out front, 36-7.

Strong Second Half

Hamm picked up in the second half where he left off before the break in action, with a power sweep for a 50-yard score ending a three-play 56-yard drive.

Brown's PAT was good and Chowan rolled to a 50-7 lead.

Chad Smothers rounded out the Braves scoring on a one-yard drive with 5:28 left in the third quarter and Brown booted the PAT to make the final score 50-7.

Hamm was named Offensive Player of the Game and sophomore linebacker Steve Baker was named Defensive Player of the Game. Baker had six solo tackles, four assists, one interception and one fumble recovery to lead the Braves defensively.

Chowan	14	22	14	0	50
Dean	7	0	0	0	7

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21	First Downs	7
387	Rushes/Yardage	-8
103	Passing Yardage	132
490	Total Yardage	124
16	Passes Attempted	26
6	Passes Completed	12
0	Interceptions	3
3	Fumbles	2
0	Fumbles Lost	1
4	Punts	7
33.8	Punting Average	33.4
12-98.5	Penalties No./Yards	10-68.5
11.5	Return Yards	26



Linebacker Steve Baker was named the Most Outstanding Defensive Player, by making six solo tackles, four assisted tackles, one interception, one fumble recovery and one quarterback sack. Baker received his plaque from Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker.



Bryan Hamm proudly displays the plaque he received as the Most Outstanding Offensive Player in the Ninth Annual East Bowl contest.