Quaker Sports

Cardiac Quakers End With Thrillers

BY DOUG DROTMAN

In danger of their first losing season since 1976, the Quaker football team came from behind to earn a win and a tie in their last two outings to end the season at 5-3-1. Both games went down to the final minute before the outcome was decided

Terry Jones raced for 177 yards on 26 carries as the Quakers upset Catawba 23-17. The victory not only assured Guilford their sixth consecutive winning season, but also marked the first time since 1976 that the Quakers have defeated Catawba

The victory was not sealed until Todd Shuping, Rex Tuggle and Mike Green stopped Catawba's Jim Parent on a fourth and six from Guilford's 13 yard line with only 42 seconds remaining. Parent's five yard dash came up one yard short giving Guilford their fifth consecutive triumph.

The Indians blew an opportunity to win in the final minute when they had a first and ten from the Quaker 17. On first down, quarterback Brian Watts' end zone pass, intended for Kenny Watkins, was broken up by an acrobatic Kieran Byrne. After fullback Reggie White (13-57) dashed for four yards, to Guilford's 13, Watts panicked and threw the ball away to stop the at 42 seconds. Since Catawba still had a timeout, and 42 seconds was plenty of time to get off two more plays, Watts move was an obvious blunder. The Indians tried to pick up the first down, but Parent came up short.

Guilford got on the scoreboard first after Kurt Knight recovered a Ray Littlejohn fumble at the Catawba 20 yard line on the Indian's opening possession. Following two incomplete passes and a scramble by Jeff Schreiber, Guilford settled for a 38 yard field goal from Rick Herring.

Catawba came right back to take the lead, when Parent (14-78) capped a 10 play 80 yard drive by avoiding five would-be Quaker tacklers on his way to a nine yard touchdown run around left end. On the drive, the Indians exhibited a potent wishbone offense, as quarterback Watts confused the Quaker defense. All ten plays were on the ground with the big play being Watts' 27 yard run into Quaker territory

The Quakers came back immediately as Schreiber hit tight

The offenses continued to move at will, as Guilford came right back to score on a 32 yard Johnny Hines did the bulk of the work carrying on eight of the nine plays. Coach Charles Forbes took a page out of the Catawba playbook as Schreiber teamed with Jones on an option play for a 23 yard pickup into Catawba territory.

The see-saw battle finally took a definite turn when Quaker defensive end Trent Tucker recovered a White fumble at the

The Quakers upped their lead to six points when Herring con-nected for his third field goal of the afternoon. This time from 26 yards out. The score broke 15 minutes of scoreless play which saw both defenses put in outstanding efforts. The field goal was set up when Lamar Boykin returned a Rob Linder punt 22 vards to the Indian 37.

In the Quakers 7-7 tie against Concord College, last second heroics would not come Guilford's way as Herring blew a



Jerry Amato (75), Trent Tucker (50) and Todd Shuping (84) Stack up a Concord ball carrier.

end Alex Brogan with a three yard scoring pass. On the drive, Guilford showed they could match Catawba's ground game as Terry Jones carried the ball eight times on the drive for 39

Catawba came right back. marching from their 25 yard line to the Guilford 10 before Little-john fumbled a pitchout and in his effort to avoid Quaker tacklers, was dumped for a 19 yard loss. Freshman Randy Brown was forced to nail a 45 yard field goal to tie the game at 10.

Catawba 25. After Jones raced for 16 yards, Hines burst up the middle for a nine yard score and a 20-10 Guilford advantage at the half.

Catawba closed the gap to 20-17 when safety Jay Aldredge in-tercepted a tipped Schreiber pass, intended for Marty Hemric. Catawba preceeded to drive 53 yards on 12 plays before Watts utilized the option and his elusiveness to avoid Engleby, Shuping and Byrne and score on a 15 yard run.

photo by Mary Hippler 24 yard field goal attempt with only 48 second remaining. The usually reliable Herring missed three field goals, in all, on the cold and wet playing field. Going into the game, Herring had missed only two field goals in 13 attempts.

Concord held onto a 7-0 lead for most of the game as a result of a 17 yard strike from quarterback Mark Rhyanych (7-15-93) to flanker James Bradley. The score culminated a 12 play 71 yard drive that Concord mixed both run and pass.

Guilford's tying score came after a strange turn of events. To open the second half, Guilford followed a 32 yard punt return by Cedric Ellison with a pair of first downs. When the Quakers could no longer move the ball, punter Donnie Redmon booted a high hanging punt to the Concord oneinch line.

Instead of the Quakers benefitting from the fine special teams play, the Mountain Lions proceeded to drive all the way to the Quaker four yard line. The drive, mainly on the ground, took 22 plays and consumed 12 minutes. ferocious and emotional Guilford goal line stand spearheaded by Engleby, Tuggle and Ken Bethea stopped six Con-cord tries from inside the 10. When kicker Fernando Ortiz blew a 22 yard field goal attempt, Guilford had escaped still trailing only 7-0.

Starting from their own 20 yard line, Guilford put their only sustained drive together marching 80 yards on 11 plays. The biggest play of the drive came when Jones raced up the middle for eight yards. When Jones was hit, he coughed up the football, which bounced out of bounds 12 yards up field. Six plays later, Jones caught his second pass of the season, out jumping two Concord defenders, for a 22 yard score

When the post season awards were given out, four Quakers were honored as All-District 26 performers. Offensive guard Alan Foley, tailback Terry Jones and defensive end Trent Tucker received the honor for the second consecutive season while cornerback Lamar Boykin was acclaimed for the first time. Tucker and Foley are juniors while both Jones and Boykin are seniors from Lumberton, N.C.

Also boasting recognition from the group of district coaches were nose tackle Kurt Knight, offensive lineman Kamus McNair and kicker Rick Herring. All three received honorable mention.

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A Realization Of Sports

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When I came to Guilford, four years ago, I never thought this article would come from my pen. As a sports management major, and a hardcore sports fan, the ability to get directly involved in the sports program was a key factor in my coming to Guilford. The sports program, which at the time offered nine varsity sports (6 men, 3 women, added to Guilford's attractiveness.

Coming from New York, I had a hard time adjusting to the emphasis placed upon high school and college sports by the media. Another pet peeve of mine (and I am ashamed it) was am ashamed to admit it) was women in sports. "Why are women trying to compete when men are clearly better?" thought.

My views on women in sports began to change last year when I became Assistant Sports Information Director. By attending more female sporting events I began to appreciate the effort given, sportsmanship exhibited and comradery between women athletes. Although I did appreciate the women, I still did not feel they deserved five varsity sports

What has changed my views was my work as S.I.D. this past semester. In my job, I have worked closely with women's soccer and volleyball and more recently women's basketball. Volleyball coach, Gayle Currie was the clincher in bringing out my realization

Coach Currie and her athletes approach sports with the same intensity (if not more) as their male counterparts. I realize that

I too had gotten caught in the commercialism and "win at all costs" attitude of professional and college sports. Correct me if I'm wrong, but with all of the academic, drug and illegal payoff controversy plaguing college sports, I have yet to hear of Christina Washburn, Stephanie (Steve) Howe or the female Dominique Wilkins.

Women compete just as hard, train just as intensely and from what I've noticed, are more dedicated than male athletes. A major difference is that women realize a career in professional sports does not exist. They are, therefore, in the true sense "student-athletes." This week the Lady Quaker

basketball season begins. If there are any other doubting Thomas' on campus, come out and watch some female sporting events. When you're watching you won't see the acrobatics and slam dunks but what you'll see is sports - competition and team-work.

Tucker

Tuggle

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