

# Tabor JV runs by N.W. Guilford

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The Mt. Tabor JV football team is playing some of the most dominant football among junior varsity teams in the area, especially on defense. The Spartans take pride in stopping their opponents, and have shut out a number of them this season.

Mt. Tabor didn't get a shut out last week. But the Spartans did pick up a quality victory over a good team when they defeated previously unbeaten N.W. Guilford 30-14 in the JV Game of the Week last Thursday.

"Mt. Tabor is a very good football team," said N.W. Guilford head JV coach Ron Bare. "They had a lot of speed. And they're some physical kids. We didn't start off very well against them. We weren't ready to play at first. We did a little better in the second half. But Mt. Tabor did a good job of stopping us."

Mt. Tabor head JV coach Dan Marazita added: "This was the best team we've played this year. I was impressed with the play of our defense. We had a couple letdowns in the second half. We gave up a couple scores. We like to shut people out. But it can't happen every night. It's hard to hold a good team out of the end zone."

N.W. Guilford couldn't keep Mt. Tabor out of the end zone early. The Spartan offense, led by quarterback Collin Kent, took it to the Vikings early with a well-balanced drive. Blyre Stokes put the first points on the board for Mt. Tabor after he rammed in a 2-yard touchdown run in the first quarter. Mt. Tabor increased its lead to 14-0 after Stokes scored again with 4:26 to go in the half.



Mt. Tabor's Blyre Stokes takes off.

He skated 54 yards for his second touchdown. Kent connected with Michael Eldridge for the two-point conversion.

Mt. Tabor seemingly shook N.W. Guilford up after Tanner Vogler crashed through the Viking punt team to block a N.W. Guilford punt with 2:51 to go in the first half. He also recovered the ball in the end zone for the score. Kent hit Charrel Dixon for the two-point conversion to make the score 22-0 at the half.

"They busted a couple big plays on us early," said Bare. "That kind of put us in a hole. It's hard to beat a team like Mt. Tabor when you put yourself in a hole. But we played better in the second half."

N.W. Guilford seemingly came out with more energy in the second half — holding the Spartans without a score in the third quarter. The Vikings found their way to pay dirt after Dillon Dalton run a touchdown from the 1-yard line. The Vikings also connected with a two-point conversion to make the score 22-8.

Kent put the final points on the board for Mt. Tabor after he connected with Nick Reynolds for a nice 28-yard touchdown pass with 3:59 to go in the game. Kent followed that up with a two-point conversion to make the score 30-8.

N.W. Guilford wasn't quite ready to go home, though. Vikings running back Josh Smith outran the Spartan defense for a 93-yard touchdown with 2:33 left in the game. But that was the last time Mt. Tabor allowed N.W. Guilford to score.

"I thought we did a good job tonight," said Marazita. "We sputtered a little bit in the second half. Hats off to their defense. But our kids play hard all the time. We're going to eventually find a way to make it happen. We have solid leadership. We have a good quarterback in Collin. He's a soft spoken leader that gets the job done. He makes great decisions."

"This entire team is really good," Marazita continued. "This could be a really good team. I don't want to be premature. But we've got some serious talent. The best team we'll play all year is Mt. Tabor. As long as we play our game then we can beat anybody in front of us."

Some of the Mt. Tabor standouts from the game were Kent, Stokes, Corey Parker Jr., Eldridge, Ian Anderson, Eric Plummer, Zyrle Jeter, Montana Dawson, Vogler, Mike Conner and Seth Spencer — among others.



Fred McClinton is ready to make his professional debut.

## McClinton to make boxing debut Oct. 17

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Local boxer Fred McClinton, who's a cruiserweight, has been waiting for an opportunity to display his skills in the ring for as long as he can remember.

McClinton is a boxer that had a reputation for squaring off in the streets for fights. For the last two years he's been working on winning battles in the ring.

"I feel like this is the only thing that I can do," McClinton said of his fighting ability during an earlier interview. "But I don't want to be fighting in the streets 10 years from now. I haven't been in any trouble in a while. I try to stay out of the streets. All I do is train. I practice every day. I run every day. If I don't do anything, I train. This is what I want to do. I want to be in the ring fighting for money."

McClinton will get his first opportunity to fight for money when he makes his professional debut in front of his home crowd on Oct. 17 at the downtown Millennium Center at Liberty and Trade. The fight will be a part of an exciting card by Ring of Dreams. The action will begin at 7 p.m.

"This should be a very good night of boxing," said Ring of Dreams promoter Kerry Smith. "We're going to have two guys make their debuts. Fred is one of the guys. He's a product of his environment. He's had to deal with a lot. He's gotten in trouble. He's had a problem with his attitude. But he's been working hard. He's even been training with Derrick (Edwards). He's very eager to show what he can do in the ring."

Local up-and-coming middleweight Derek "The Black Lion" Edwards (22-0) will

also be in action later this month. He will fight a tough match against Brian "The Assassin" Norman (16-8) of Georgia. Norman's last two bouts have shown his hunger to take on tough opponents. According to Smith, that bout is guaranteed to be a great fight.

"Derrick is going to fight a tough opponent," Smith said. "He won't have anything but tough matches from here on out. He's ready. Just staying focused. We've had a couple things fall through for him. But he's still on track to do some special things. He'll take another step toward that with his next fight."

Also on the card, local favorite Earl "Chocolate Drop" Ladson will take on Derrick Walker of Georgia. Gary Lavender, who has appeared on ESPN twice, will continue his fight for the cruiserweight title. Returning from Kentucky is David Saulsberry (6-2), who will be taking on Winston-Salem's Roberto White (3-1). A host of other boxers from out of town will also be matched.

Ticket prices are: General Admission \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door; Ringside Reserve seats are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. For VIP Sponsorship and VIP Tables (seat 10, limited number available), contact Kerry Smith at 336-575-8189. Tickets are on sale now at [www.RingofDreams.com](http://www.RingofDreams.com), the Millennium Center 9 - 5, the Dummit Law Firm, and 3 Girls Convenience Store during business hours. For more information on tickets, call 336-201-0081.

Bouts and boxers are subject to change. This event is sanctioned by the North Carolina Boxing Commission.

## POP WARNER ROUND UP

CHRONICLE STAFF REPORT

**Winston-Salem Grayhounds 42, Oak Ridge Colts 0 (Jr. Pee Wee):** The damp, rainy weather didn't slow down the Grayhound Jr. Pee Wee squad when they hosted the fundamentally sound Oak Ridge Colts last Saturday.

The Grayhounds stormed to a punishing 42-0 victory over Oak Ridge last Saturday. Jajuan Coleman paced the Grayhounds with three dazzling touchdowns. Also scoring touchdowns for the Grayhounds were Kedlin Huntley, Darion Dick and Kennedy McKoy.

"This was a great mental test for us to win this big in these messy conditions," said Grayhound Head coach Lawrence "Ferg" Ferguson. "Defensive coordinator Todd Sample and our coaching staff really have our defense playing well."

Leading the Grayhounds defense were McKoy, Schiem Lindsay, Jashawn McMillian, Joecaris Flynt, Quarteyus Evans and Elijah Jennings. The Grayhounds defense has only been scored on once the entire season. That happened after the Grayhound offense fumbled on their own 5-yard line earlier this year.

**Forsyth County Broncos 19, Lewisville Titans 8 (Midget):** The Broncos got on the board first after a short touchdown pass in the second quarter. But the Titans fought back on their next possession.

Brandon Adams put the Titan points on the board after he ran in for the score on a first and goal play. Wesley Wright was good on the extra point (which counts as two when kicked in Pop Warner) to give the Titans an 8-7 lead.

The Broncos quickly fired



Grayhound's Darion Dick.

back at the Titan defense, and scored on another passing play right before the first half ended. The Broncos missed the PAT to make the score 13-8 at the half. The second half looked good for the Titans as they were able to cause a fumble to start things off. Spanky Scott recovered the fumble for the Titans. But Caleb Ennis fumbled two plays later to give the ball right back to the Broncos. The Broncos

finished things off after they scored on a fourth down play to make the score 19-8, and that's where it ended.

The defensive standouts for the Titans were Spanky Scott, Brandon Adams, Chase Roberts, Diego Kale, Tanner Summerville, Wesley Wright, Jake Gooden and Bradley Hayes — to name a few. The Titans will play the Kernersville Raiders this week.

### WEEK 5 RESULTS

**(Jr. Pee Wee)** Grayhounds ran past the Colts white, 42-0. Indians gold slipped by the Colts red, 18-12. Indians burgundy ran past the Falcons, 34-0. Panthers defeated the Packers, 25-0. Kernersville Raiders defeated the Walkertown Wolfpack, 40-0. The Vikings took down the Kings Dolphins, 20-0. The Lions defeated the Union Cross Bobcats, 20-0. Titans gold defeated the Broncos orange, 26-0. The Broncos blue shut out the Titans white, 33-0.

**(Pee Wee):** Colts slipped by the Grounds, 13-8. Indians took it to the Falcons, 26-7. Pfafftown Packers shutout the Southfork Panthers, 24-0. Raiders defeated the Wolfpack, 39-12. The talented Vikings

shut out a hard-working, but struggling Dolphins squad, 31-0. Bobcats shut out the High Point Lions, 34-0. Broncos took down the Titans, 19-0.

**(Jr. Midget):** Colts took down the Grayhounds, 19-6. The Indians, coached by Jukie Minor, defeated the Falcons, 23-7. The Packers shut out the Panthers, 18-0. The Raiders beat the Wolfpack, 33-12. Lions shut out the Bobcats, 19-0. Broncos shut out the Titans, 21-0.

**(Midget):** A very impressive Oak Ridge Colts team shut out the Grayhounds, 30-0. A hungry Indians squad defeated Mr. Pop Warner and the Falcons 24-6 last Sunday. The Panthers slipped by the Packers, 13-12. The Raiders defeated the Wolfpack. No score was reported. Rams defeated the Vikings. No score was reported. The Lions took down the Bobcats, 28-0.

**Note:** Coaches, team reps and team parents may submit a brief game summary every Monday by 5 p.m. Some summaries may not be used due to space. All write ups should include first and last names of players. Information can be faxed at 723-9173 or emailed to [ahill@wschronicle.com](mailto:ahill@wschronicle.com).

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