



Vacaville dominates Armijo with aerial attack

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FAIRFIELD - When teams square off against the Vacaville High football team, they can be almost certain the Bulldogs will pound the ground.

Almost.

The Bulldogs surprised host Armijo with an aerial assault en route to a 45-13 Monticello Empire League victory Friday night at Brownlee Field.

Bulldogs quarterback Chad Hekking was surgical in the first quarter, biting into the Indians with 156 yards on five passes, three of which went for touchdowns.

The first, a 9-yard toss to Kane Cunningham, saw the Bulldogs receiver go untouched down the Armijo sideline to put Vacaville up 7-0. After a four-and-out possession by Armijo, Hekking hit Tanner Donaldson on a deep pass for a 43-yard touchdown pass to give the Bulldogs a 14-0 edge, capping a two-play drive.

Donaldson led all receivers with 101 yards on three catches.

Armijo's next drive ended near midfield when Chris Wall picked off Indians quarterback D'mario Johnson's pass.

Vacaville used the turnover to put seven more on the board. On a second successive two-play drive, Hekking hit Jeramy Sweany for a 31-yard TD score, pushing the Bulldogs edge to 21-0.

After the game, Armijo coach Carl Finley said Vacaville caught his defense unprepared. "You can't break down in simple coverage," Finley said. "They tested us early with the pass."

After Hekking exited in the second quarter, Vacaville moved to the ground game.

Damonte Moore pushed the Bulldogs' advantage to 28-0 with a 20-yard burst to the right side of the line early in the second quarter.

The Bulldogs stretched the lead to 35-0 when David Mewborn blasted through the line and bolted 58 yards for a score.

Armijo's first-half touchdown came on the following drive. A kickoff return to midfield gave the Indians the ball in Bulldogs territory.

On the second play of the drive, Jeffrie Brown scooted to the right and dashed down his own sideline for the Indians' first TD score.

Brown led all rushers with 131 yards, his longest carry being his 47-yard TD tote.

The score stayed the same through a scoreless third quarter.

Vacaville struck first in the fourth quarter, with DeAndre Lewis capping a six-play, 70-yard drive with a 5-yard rushing tote.

The Bulldogs took a 45-6 edge, but the Indians answered on their final possession.

Armijo marched 81 yards in the final 4 minutes, 30 seconds to put the final points on the board. Amini Kapapa pushed through the pile for a 1-yard score to narrow Vacaville's lead to 45-13.

Alberto Escobedo added a 25-yard field goal in the second quarter for the Bulldogs.

Johnson left the game with an ankle injury for the Indians during the second quarter.

The game was played without an illuminated scoreboard, with officials keeping time on the field and moving to a running clock in the second half.

The loss dropped Armijo to 1-6 on the year and 0-2 in Monticello Empire League play.