



Vacaville football comes up just short in loss to El Cerrito

For the first time this season the Vacaville High football team is under the .500 level as the Bulldogs fell to El Cerrito at home Friday night, 14-9.

It was the second straight loss for the Bulldogs (2-3), who take on Rodriguez next week at home in the league opener. El Cerrito improved to 5-0 on the season. In fact, all of Vacaville's three losses have come to teams that are undefeated at 5-0.

El Cerrito took a 14-0 lead into halftime thanks to two touchdown passes by Michael Vanhook in the second quarter.

Vanhook's first touchdown pass was for 29 yards to Warren Smith, just eight seconds into the quarter.

That was the end of the scoring for El Cerrito, as Vacaville slowly tried to come back in the second half.

A 28-yard field goal attempt by Micah Navarro in the third bridged the gap to 14-3. Vacaville got a little closer in the fourth quarter when Alex Barkley threw a 10-yard touchdown pass to Cristian Diosdado to make it 14-9.

Unfortunately for the Bulldogs, the two-point conversion failed, and Vacaville still trailed by a touchdown instead of a field goal. The El Cerrito defense held up the rest of the contest to come away with the road victory.

The time of possession was nearly identical, as each team ran 55 plays on offense. El Cerrito had 221 yards of total offense, about 50 more yards than the Bulldogs attained. The Bulldogs had more first down with 12, three more than El Cerrito.

Vanhook completed 13 of 24 passes for two touchdowns and 185 yards. The top rusher for El Cerrito was Tony McAdoo with 40 yards.

Cristian Diosdado led all rushers with 135 yards for Vacaville. Barkley had 52 yards passing for Vacaville.