



Bulldogs can't slow stampede of Buffaloes in playoff loss at Manteca

Vacaville High School's football season came to an abrupt end Friday night after being turned away on the road by an offensive stampede from the Manteca Buffaloes in a 42-0 score in the quarterfinals of the Sac-Joaquin Section Division II playoffs.

Top-seed Manteca scored 14 points in each of the first two quarters and led 28-0 at halftime. The Buffaloes added a touchdown in the third and fourth quarter while holding the Bulldogs scoreless for the game.

"We ran into a really good football team," Vacaville head coach Mike Papadopoulos said. "They do a tremendous job in all phases of the game. They are very explosive and were able to pop some big plays."

Vacaville completed its season 8-4 and won the Monticello Empire League title for the sixth straight year. Manteca, 9-1 overall, advances to the semifinals to face No. 4 Rocklin. The Thunder beat Jesuit 34-13 to reach the semifinal.

Bryson Davis had a 43-yard touchdown run for Manteca in the first quarter. Quarterback Hudson Wyatt added a 9-yard scoring strike to Blake Nichelson. Davis had a 24-yard touchdown run in the second quarter. Wyatt and Nichelson hooked up again for a 38-yard TD and a 28-0 lead at the break.

Davis had his third touchdown in the third quarter from 5 yards out. KP Macdannald had a 1-yard touchdown run in the final period. Matt Kong kicked five extra points.

"We had a chance to make it interesting early in the first quarter, but we had a drive stall at the 3 yard line," Papadopoulos said. "I'm proud of the way our kids were able to handle a lot of things this season."

Manteca rolled up 423 yards of offense to 185 by Vacaville. Bulldogs quarterback Alex Barkley completed 13 of 23 passes for 102 yards. Cristian Diosdado rushed 15 times for 75 yards. Brady Mott had seven catches for 75 yards.

Davis rushed 11 times for Manteca for 160 yards and his three touchdowns. Wyatt completed just six passes but two of them went for touchdowns. Nichelson caught three passes for 44 yards with two of them being touchdowns.

In Rio Vista, the host Rams couldn't slow down top-seed Ripon Christian and fell 57-0 in a Division VII game. Quarterback Trey Fasani completed 9 of 12 passes for 178 yards and four touchdowns, according to the Manteca Bulletin.