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First Contest Ever

Pirates Blitz Paoli In JV Contest, 40-0

Charlestown opened its first season of football Saturday by soundly thrashing Paoli, 40-0 before an enthusiastic group of backers in a junior varsity contest.

Charley Lewis, who hadn't played organized football until several weeks ago, ran for two touchdowns out of his quarterback position and tossed another to end Jim Tucker to pace the Pirates.

Charlestown scored the first two times it had the ball with Lewis sweeping end on the option play for the scores.

Pirate coach Ron Dowdell, who said he didn't know what to expect from his kids, said his team "did a pretty fair job. I'm proud of them."

Crisp-running and hard tackling kept the 1,000 or so Charlestown backers in near pandemonium most of the afternoon.

After the contest, Dowdell huddled around his team in the gym-

nasium and said, "Now you know how sweet it is to win. Have your fun today because we've got to get ready for Providence on Monday."

Charlestown will meet the Providence JV's in a home encounter at 2 p.m. next Saturday.

There was nothing holding Charlestown the first two quarters as they scored touchdowns just about as fast as the person keeping the scoreboard could make the changes.

"I knew these kids wanted to play football," said Dowdell, "and I wasn't going to hold them

back."

After Lewis' two TD's in the first period, three other Charlestown players broke into action in the second quarter.

Jim Stewart took a pass from Lewis and side stepped a would-be tackler with a good fake and dashed into the end zone.

Eddie Stewart, a dancing-type runner, broke through the Paoli line and then dodged-and-darted his way into the end zone from 11 yards out as Charlestown took a 26-0 lead.

James Cole, another tough tail-back ended the first half scoring

by rambling 50 yards. The extra point was good as Lewis found Tucker open in the end zone and Charlestown was ahead 34-0 at the half.

Stewart ended the scoring parade for Charlestown in the third period when he scored from 42 yards out on a blast play.

Dowdell said his club "let down" some the second half after jumping to the big lead and that's what slowed the scoring. Also Dowdell found time to play most of the 38 members of the team.

While the offense was catching most of the raves, the Pirate defense was equally impressive. They limited the Rams to just a couple of first downs, and Paoli neared the Charlestown goal line only once, but the Pirates got mean and took over on downs.

Dowdell said he thought his kids played well because they learned a lot of football in the pre-season practice, and they accomplished that because they "sacrificed."

"These kids were willing to sacrifice their afternoons and their nights to play football," said Dowdell. "They give what they've got."

Charlestown	12	22	6	0-40
Paoli	0	0	0-0	



HIGH-AND-LOW . . . Two Charlestown players bring down a Paoli ballcarrier with a crushing tackle. The Pirates won 40-0.