

Red Raiders stop Crest again

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BOILING SPRINGS — South Point's Big Red machine, normally noted for its potent offense, put forth a tremendous defensive effort here last night at Crest Stadium to defeat the Crest Chargers, 20-7, advancing into the second round of the WNCSSAA playoffs.

The Red Raiders, the state's number-one ranked 3-A grid power, now advance into a game next Friday at Boone against Watauga, 23-14 upset winner over Lenoir last night.

South Point's defensive unit, sparked by year-long stars Jim Stowe, Ike Painter, Mark Morris, Fletcher Williams and company, held the vaunted Crest backfield to only five yards net rushing for the night.

Quarterback Doug Davis, a junior standout, overshadowed senior Crest quarterback Dennis Sinkler, connecting on seven of 13 passes for 109 yards and one touchdown.

Davis has now amassed 1,079 yards passing on the season, putting him over the coveted 1,000 mark for the second consecutive campaign.

South Point drove 68 yards for an apparent score in the first quarter. The Raiders consumed seven minutes on the clock in driving those 68 yards, with Dennis Grier apparently scoring from the one-foot line on fourth down.

But the Big Red was offside on the play and a fourth-down Davis pass fell incomplete in the end zone.

The Big Red, however, got a good shot at it when Crest punter Donnie Pearson shanked one which went out of bounds on the Crest 23.

After Davis carried to the 15, and Jerry Auten to the 14, sophomore Donnie James cut over left tackle for the touchdown with 11:54 left in the half.



DOUG DAVIS

Butch Rankin converted the placement, giving the Raiders an early 7-0 lead.

JAMES, who missed seven regular-season games due to mononucleosis, did a fine job of filling in for senior standout Wayne Fewell, who was hobbled by an ankle sprain and saw little action.



DON JAMES

In the second quarter, Crest, after a punt, got the ball on the South Point 37.

Bo Littlejohn carried to the 34, a Sinkler pass fell incomplete, and a 15-yard penalty against the Chargers put the ball on the Raider 49.

Sinkler then passed to Alvin Webber on the South Point 33.

Crest failed to gamble on fourth and five on the Raider 33, and Donny Pearson punted into the end zone.

Neither team threatened for the rest of the first half, and the Raiders led at intermission, 7-0.

Fletcher Williams recovered a Sinkler fumble at the Charger 44 to set up South Point's second touchdown. The passing of Davis sparked the 44-yard drive, which took seven plays, with Dandy Doug hitting Stowe on a 17-yard touchdown toss on second-and-17.

Davis completed three passes in that drive.

RANKIN'S point-after was again good at the 5:32 mark, and the Raiders held a 14-0 lead.

South Point started a drive late in the third quarter from its own 25, marching methodically for 75 yards and the TD in ten plays.

James climaxed the drive at the 10:06 mark with a run, again off tackle, from the four-yard line on third and goal.

After a five-yard penalty against the Raiders, Rankin's point-after attempt was wide right.

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South Point probably deserved a shut out, the way the Raiders played defense, but tackle Mitchell Guffey of Crest scooped up a David pitchout and rambled 33 yards untouched into the end zone with 5:37 left in the game.

STATISTICS

	SP	CREST
First Downs	19	4
Net Yards Rushing	202	5
Passes	7-13	7-14
Passing Yardage	179	59
Passes Intercepted by	0	0
Fumbles Lost	2	1
Punts	3-30	7-36
Yards Penalized	50	80

SCORE BY QUARTERS

TEAMS	1	2	3	4	T
South Point	0	7	7	6	20
Crest	0	0	0	7	7

SCORING SUMMARY

SP — James, 14-yd run (Rankin kick)
 SP — Stowe, 17-yard pass from Davis (Rankin kick)
 SP — James 4-yd run (kick failed)
 C — Guffey, 33-yd run on fumble recovery (Wright kick)

ACC tie, bowl bid

and Wake are in the midst of a disappointing season. The Tar Heels are 3-6 and Wake is 1-7.

SOUTH CAROLINA, hoping to assure a winning season, travels to Tallahassee Saturday to meet a Florida State football team that will be struggling to avert an all losing year.

This will be the eighth meeting and Florida State won the first six games, but South Carolina took an upset, 24-21, decision last year in Columbia that knocked the Seminoles out of a Peach Bowl bid.

Kickoff time Saturday is 2 P.M. in Doak S. Campbell Stadium.

DAVIDSON'S WILDCATS finish their football season against The Citadel at

The Bulldogs are 5-4 on the year, with another game remaining on Thanksgiving Day against Lenoir-Rhyne.

G-W was idle last week when Wofford defeated Albion College 34-10.

PLAYOFF RESULTS

Ashbrook 27, Chapel Hill 7
 Greensboro Smith 9, High Point Andrews 7
 Charlotte Independence 14, N. Durham 0
 S. Mecklenburg 14, W-S Reynolds 14
 S. Mecklenburg won total yardage.

Carolinas football schedule

State at Duke (1:40 P.M.)
 Wake Forest at Carolina (1:30 P.M.)
 Maryland at Clemson (1:30 P.M.)
 Appalachian at East Carolina (1:30 P.M.)
 Citadel at Davidson (2 P.M.)
 Catawba at Lenoir-Rhyne (7:30 P.M.)
 Winston-Salem State at Elon (7:30 P.M.)
 Georgetown at Mars Hill (2 P.M.)
 South Carolina at Florida State (2 P.M.)
 Carson-Newman at Western Carolina (2 P.M.)
 Wofford at Gardner-Webb (2 P.M.)