

Raiders rout Crest, 48-7

BOILING SPRINGS — South Point's Red Raiders bounced back with a vengeance here Friday, handing Crest's Chargers their worst setback ever under coach Max Beam, 48-7.

The victory enabled the Big Red Machine to finish unbeaten on the regular season with a 9-0-1 record and South Point meets Shelby at Lineberger Stadium in Belmont next Friday in the first round of the playoffs.

Kings Mountain was knocked out of the playoffs Friday as they lost 26-7 to Burns while Shelby beat East Rutherford, 38-8. KM finished 6-2-1 and Shelby 7-2. South Point beat Shelby at Shelby during the regular season, 21-7.

South Point's quarterback, Doug Davis, starred both on the ground and through the air and halfback Jerry Auten lended great support with three touchdowns and three extra points.

Davis, who picked up 48 yards rushing on his well-executed option play in 10 carries, scored two touchdowns on runs of four and one yard and passed 25 yards to Auten for another.

Auten finished as the conference's leading rusher, going over the 1,000-yard mark. He had 112 in 23 carries, giving him 1,065 on the year. Davis completed 7-of-11 passes for 116 yards for one of his best nights of the year.

Auten, in addition to the

25-yard touchdown reception, scored on runs of two and 13 yards. Robin Ratchford scored on a two-yard run and Donnie James tallied another on a one-yard run. Auten booted three extra points, and he now has 88 points as his team's leading scorer and possibly leads the Southwest 3-A circuit.

Donnie Freeman scored Crest's only touchdown in the second quarter on a 25-yard pass interception. South Point led 20-7 at the half, then crushed the Chargers in the final two periods.

The touted Rat Patrol held Crest to just 63 yards rushing, three first downs and six yards passing. Jim Biggerstaff's charged-up charges have now tallied 332 points in 10 games to

the opposition's 46.

South Point enters WNCCHA play for the fourth year in a row.

STATISTICS

| | S P | Crest |
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| First Downs | 23 | 3 |
| Net Yards Rushing | 274 | 63 |
| Passes | 8-12 | 3-14 |
| Passing Yardage | 131 | 6 |
| Passes Intercepted by | 3 | 2 |
| Fumbles Lost | 1 | 1 |
| Punts | 1-38 | 6-33 |
| Yards Penalized | 70 | 20 |

SCORING BY QUARTERS

| TEAMS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | T |
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| South Point | 7 | 13 | 15 | 13 | 48 |
| Crest | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 |

SCORING SUMMARY

Scoring touchdowns, South Point: Auten 3 (runs of two, 13 yards and 25-yard pass from Davis); Davis 2 (runs of four and one yard); Ratchford (2-yard run); James (1-yard run).

PAT: Auten 3 (kicks), Davis 2 (on run).
Scoring touchdown, Crest: Freeman (25-yard pass interception).
PAT: Lovelace (kick).