

**A.L. BROWN 33,
SOUTH POINT 30**

Raiders drop 2nd straight

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KANNAPOLIS — While the rest of the nation was trying to return to normalcy following terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon earlier in the week, South Point's football team remained far from normal Friday night.

The Red Raiders, who until last week hadn't lost in 23 consecutive regular season games, dropped their second consecutive game, this one a 33-30 heartbreaker at Kannapolis A.L. Brown.

Ahead 23-7 at halftime, South Point (1-2) watched the Wonders (1-2) take control of the game and reel off four straight touchdowns en route to their first win of the season.

"The difference was their speed and our lack of speed," South Point head coach John Devine said. "We just didn't have the legs, the footspeed to keep up with them."

South Point had a chance to tie it at the end with a 60-yard field goal attempt by B.J. Richmond, but the kick came after time expired and fell short anyway, as the Wonders escaped.

"If we can line up and kick the ball in 10 seconds, we might have a chance to tie and maybe win in overtime," Devine said. "It's something you do everyday, but we've got a young bunch."

The Red Raiders took advantage of two A.L. Brown fumbles and one interception to jump out front early on two touchdowns by Phillip Stowe and one from Richmond.

The second half was a different story, as the Wonders outgained South Point 235 yards to 111 after intermission and lost only one more fumble.

A.L. Brown senior Aundrae Allison gave South Point fits all night. The wide receiver caught 11 passes for 196 yards and three touchdowns. And once he opened up the defense, running back Chris Carter got moving. The senior picked up 162 yards on 15 carries in the second half for a total of 202 yards and two touchdowns on the night.

A.L. Brown head coach Ron Massey said those are the kind of performances he comes to expect from his star athletes.

"We watch (Allison) every day; we know what he's going to do," Massey said. "I really thought that Chris played like Chris Carter tonight in the second half."

Allison said the win was especially sweet considering the Wonders fell to South Point in a double-overtime playoff thriller in Belmont last year.

"We were thinking revenge because it was bad blood last year," Allison said. "We knew we could score. We just had to execute and keep the ball in our hands."

Keeping the ball was something South Point had trouble doing — the Red Raiders lost four fumbles.

Rasharde Reid rushed 14 times for 86 yards and Phillip Stowe had 13 carries for 72 yards, including a 38-yard touchdown, plus an 85-yard kickoff return in the second quarter.

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SP — B.J. Richmond 37 FG

B — Aundrae Allison 5 pass from Maher (Lowder kick)

SP — Stowe 85 kickoff return (run failed)

SP — Stowe 38 run (kick failed)

SP — Richmond 1 run (Richmond run)

B — Carter 61 run (run failed)

B — Allison 19 pass from Maher (kick failed)

B — Allison 62 punt return (kick failed)

B — Carter 1 run (Allison pass from Maher)

SP — Jimmy Dixon 48 pass from Richmond (Richmond kick)