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South Point's Jalen Porter runs upfield after intercepting a pass during their game against Forestview Friday night.

# Ball hogs

## South Point dominates possession, routs Jags

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BELMONT — It was late in the game when left tackle Jeffrey Lawing suddenly realized he had spend most of the game on the field.

South Point ran a whopping 71 plays and played keep away from Forestview on its way to a 42-15 home win Friday, staying undefeated in the Big South 3A Conference.

"I started noticing in the fourth quarter that I was a little bit more tired than usual," Lawing said. "I looked around and everybody was leaning over."

South Point dominated the line of scrimmage and time of possession, rushing for 392 yards while running 33 more plays than the Jaguars.

Lawing, Chuck Lawing, Jordan Kagen, J.J. Burns and Carson Ginn got the job done up front, helping pave the way for four rushers over 60 yards.

Quarterback Patrick Home led the way with 120 rushing yards and a TD. Josh Hice ran for 88 yards and a pair of 1-yard TDs. Freshman fullback Tyler Bray added 69 yards and a TD.



Forestview's Octavius Wallace reacts after dropping a pass after a big hit from a South Point defender during their game Friday night.

### Inside the game

**Total yards** — Forestview 241 (174 rushing, 67 passing); South Point 443 (392 rushing, 51 passing)  
**Turnovers** — Forestview 2 (1 interception, 1 fumble); South Point 1 (interception)  
**Next week** — Forestview plays host to Ashbrook. South Point is open.

And Troy Leeper had 67 yards and a score before leaving with an undisclosed injury.

The Red Raiders rattled off 24 first downs compared to Forestview's nine, easily overcoming a 6-0 deficit in the game's first 42 seconds.

"That's the best defense we've got and it always has been around here," South Point coach John Devine said. "We survived the blitzkrieg early. We played some solid defense thereafter, then (offensive line coach) Mickey

(Lineberger) and them boys just took over."

South Point (6-3, 4-0) climbed within a game of securing its fourth straight conference title. After a bye next week, the Red Raiders will have their chance to clinch a share of the Big South championship the following week against North Gaston. South Point's showdown at Crest is the final week of the regular season, Nov. 5.

South Point scored on all four of its second-half drives, including three times in the fourth quarter as this one got out of hand. Forestview made the score a more respectable when Octavius Wallace scored with 25.8 seconds remaining.

Wallace had spotted the Jaguars (3-5, 1-2) an early lead when he reached the right edge then darted down the sideline for a 62-yard TD run on the game's first play. Forestview daringly went for the onside kick and recovered it, but the Jaguars weren't able to score. South Point soon reeled

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off back-to-back touchdowns to take control.

"I thought we had a pretty good ballgame at halftime, 14-9," Forestview coach Chris Medlin said. "Things got away from us in the second half. We couldn't get any first downs and we couldn't get them off the field."

Wallace finished with 167 yards on 17 carries, including the 62-yard TD and a 50-yarder that set up his final score.

Calvin Johnson, returning from a two-game absence with a dislocated ankle, appeared full speed most of the game but was limping by the end of the night. The sophomore rushed for seven yards on four carries and completed 5 of 15 passes for 67 yards, with one interception.

**Forestview 6 3 0 6 —15**  
**South Point 7 7 7 21 —42**

## First quarter

F—Octavious Wallace 62 run (kick failed), 11:38.

SP—Tyler Bray 11 run (Dayton Rogers kick), 0:51.

## Second quarter

SP—Troy Leeper 6 run (Rogers kick), 7:41.

F—FG Cody Bridges 29, 0:00.

Third quarter



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South Point's Troy Leeper breaks free during Friday's win over Forestview.

SP—Josh Hice 1 run (Rogers kick), 7:14.

## Fourth quarter

SP—Patrick Horne 1 run (Rogers kick), 9:42.

SP—Devan Robbins 51 pass from Horne (Rogers kick), 7:37.

SP—Hice 1 run (Rogers kick), 2:16.

F—Wallace 3 run (bad snap foiled kick), 0:25.8.

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