

# CAVALIER Football Weekly



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## Cavaliers Stumble Out of the Gate

The Chip Otten era got off to a stutter-start Friday night as the host Kenton Wildcats defeated Coldwater for the first time since 2001 by a score of 50-31.

The game featured two high octane offenses. The Cats were lead by Maty Mauk who accounted for 510 of Kenton's 552 yards of total offense. The Junior threw for 437 yards on 38-59 passing and five touchdowns and he added 73 yards on the ground in 21 rushes scoring two more touchdowns.

Coldwater can take solace in that they may have found a quarterback in Sophomore Austin Bruns. The youngster was 22 of 46 passing for 229 and five touchdowns. Four of those five scores were to Senior Reese Klenke who caught 13 passes for 204 yards. The other touchdown was scored by Senior Ross Wermert.

Inexperience and injuries hurt the Cavaliers in this game. Three Cavaliers including Seniors Aaron Rammel and Kurt Schoenherr left the game with injuries and did not play in the second half.

Coldwater got off to a fast start in the first scoring on two possession to take a 13-6 lead into the second period, but Kenton got on track in the second and scored three times, taking a 31-19 advantage into the locker room at half time.

Coldwater hoped to rebound as they were to receive the second half kickoff but Kenton pulled an on-side kick out of their bag of tricks and derailed the Cavaliers, going up 36-19 with less than two minutes gone in the second half.

The never quit attitude that is a hallmark of Cavalier football showed as

they continued to fight the up hill battle. The Cavs held Kenton scoreless the rest of the third quarter and pulled to within two scores at 36-25. Wermert scored his touchdown with nine minutes to play and the deficit closed to 36-31.

But Mauk engineered two touchdown drives in the last five minutes to put away the Cavaliers.

The Cavalier offense looks like it will compete in a manner fans have become accustomed to. Bruns spread the ball around hitting seven different receivers and five rushers added 85 yards on the ground accounting for 334 yards of total offense.

The defense will have to make some adjustments though as 552 yards of total defense is too much, especially in a conference featuring spread offenses. But it is early and this team is sure to improve..

### Factoids:

As stated earlier this is the first opening loss since 2001 versus Kenton which is also the last time the Cavs lost consecutive games. Like this season the 2001 loss to Kenton was preceded by a state final loss to Ursuline the previous season. "It's Déjà vu all over again" said Yogi Berra.

The last back-to-back defeats in the same season game in 1997 in weeks 10 & 11 against Delphos and Versailles.

### Honors:

The Kenton Athletic Department paid special tribute to Coach Reed prior to the game. They also donated \$600 to the John Reed Memorial Scholarship Fund. Also, the Cavs sported "JR" stickers on the back of their helmets.

### Next Week:

Coldwater will look to rebound against visiting Benjamin Logan next week at Cavalier Stadium. The Raiders are coming off a 2-8 season in 2009 and they got off on the right foot Friday night defeating Riverside 42-14.

Senior running back Landon McKirahan scored four touchdowns and rushed for 128 yards to lead Ben Logan whose offense tallied 333 yards, all of which came on the ground.

"Landon is a special athlete and has been working hard," said Ben Logan head coach Carleton Cotner.

### Week 1 Results

Coldwater	31	Anna	29
Kenton	50	Lehman	07
Lima Central	14	Ft. Loramie	14
St. John	34	Minster	12
Shawnee	13	Covington	22
Marion Local	34	New Bremen	21
Parkway	40	St. Henry	48
Crestview	18	Pleasant	13
Ft. Recovery	28	Versailles	34
Mississinawa	00	Celina	14
Ben Logan	42		
Riverside	14		

### Week 2 Schedule

Ben Logan @ Coldwater  
Waynesfield @ Ft. Recovery  
Marion Local @ Springfield Catholic  
Lehman Catholic @ Minster  
Ft. Loramie @ New Bremen  
Defiance Tinora @ Parkway  
Eaton @ St. Henry  
Hillsdale @ St. John  
Graham @ Versailles  
Van Wert @ Kenton