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Kenton Outlasts Coldwater 24 - 17

The Kenton Wildcats mixed the run with the pass and outdueled the Coldwater Cavaliers 24-17 at Coldwater Stadium last night.

What's that you say, "Kenton ran the football?". That's right, Kenton had more rushes than passes thrown (34-32). Running plays were actually called, not merely the result of the quarterback being flushed from the pocket.

Senior quarterback Maty Mauk ran the ball 34 times for 141 yards and two touchdowns and was 25 of 32 passing for 215 yards and one touchdown. He also ran in all three 2-point conversion tries.

Coldwater's junior quarterback Austin Bruns spread the football between nine different receivers completing 21 of 39 passes for 254 yards and two scores. He also picked up 28 of the Cavs 38 rushing yards.

Kenton got on the board first at the 5:41 mark of the opening quarter as Mauk ran in from 2 yards out and with the PAT Kenton held the early 8-0 advantage.

Coldwater came right back four and a half minutes later as Bruns hooked up with Caleb Siefring for a 13 yard score.

The teams traded possessions through the second quarter until with 18 seconds remaining Mauk hooked up with Matt Bahr from 16 yards out and with the two point version the Cats grade what appeared to have a 16-7 half time lead.

But Kenton doesn't have much of a kicking game and Coldwater quickly moved the ball to the Kenton 30 where with 3 seconds remaining Troy Otten established a new Coldwater record as he booted a 48 yard field goal to close the first half at 16-10 Kenton.

The second half was unlike any match-up between Coldwater and Kenton in recent years. The defenses stiffened and the third quarter came and went with no one denting the scoreboard.

Then with 8:19 remaining Bruns threw a dart to Otten in the left flat. The ball went thru his hands but deflected into the waiting arms of Alex Stammen who ran the final 15 or so yards into the end-zone to complete a 30 yard play and after the PAT Coldwater held it's first lead 17-16.

The Coldwater defense had held Kenton in check for the entire second half and it looked like they would hold on to win, but youngsters sometimes loose focus and on a play the saw Kenton commit a holding penalty about 15 yards behind the line of scrimmage, a Coldwater defender committed a personal foul and after the two penalties were stepped of what would have been a second and 30 turned out to be a first and 5. Mauk pitched and ran the Cats down the field and with 3:07 remaining scored the winning touchdown and set the final score.

Siefring finished the night with 5 catches for 65 yards to lead the Cavalier receiving corp. Aaron Mestemaker caught 3 for 47 yards and Otten was 3 for 34 yards.

It's the first time since the 2001 season that Kenton has taken two straight games from Coldwater and it has not been since 1969-1972 that Kenton has defeated the Cavs in consecutive seasons. And it's the first time since 1994 the Coldwater has lost consecutive season openers (Brookville).

IT'S BEEN SUCH A LONG TIME

Next up for Coldwater is a 90 minute trip up Ohio 49 to Defiance County to renew a series with the Hicksville Aces. The Cavs and the Aces last met when they kicked off the 1947, 48 & 49 seasons. Coldwater is 3-0 in the series.

The Aces have had mixed success in the past four years. Last season they were 4-6. In the previous three years they were 9-2, 8-2 & 3-7. In 2009 they advanced to the playoff but lost to LCC.

Last night Archbold defeated Hicksville 43-37 after blowing a 17 point lead in the third. Here are the rest of last night results from the MAC.

Week 1 Results

Archbold	43	Celina	28
Hicksville	37	Versailles	31
Covington	43	Crestview	21
New Bremen	20	Parkway	26
Ft Loramie	05	Kenton	24
Minster	26	Coldwater	17
Lehman Catholic	14	Marion Pleasant	41
Anna	61	St Henry	33
Marion Local	07	St John's	14
Shawnee	13	LCC	21
Ft Recovery	44		
Mississinawa	20		

Week 2 Schedule

Anna @ Fairview
Detroit CC @ St John's
Coldwater @ Hicksville
Parkway @ Tinora
Minster @ Lehmen Catholic
Mt Carmel Ontario @ Marion Local
New Bremen @ Ft Loramie
St Henry @ Eaton
St Mary's @ Kenton
Versailles @ Graham Local
Ft Recovery @ Waynesfield Goshen