

Cowboys rally by Oilers

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BROCKTON — The high-powered offense of the Hyde Park Cowboys proved to be too much for the Brockton Oilers last night as they romped over the Oilers, 37-13, keeping their record perfect on the year at 8-0.

With this win, the Cowboys have now won 20 consecutive games dating back to the beginning of last season.

The Hyde Park winning streak looked in doubt for the first half of this game as the local entry came out storming in the first two quarters to take a 13-10 halftime lead.

However, the lead did not last long for the Oilers as mental mistakes and careless penalties kept Brockton in its own end for much of the second half.

On their first possession of the second half, the Cowboys engineered a 42-yard scoring drive that was capped off with a 22-yard pass from Mike Fallon to wide receiver Mike Farrell, which made it 17-13.

An eight-yard run by Mark Giordarina and a 66-yard hookup from Fallon to Jim Nelson made it 31-13, ending any momentum Brockton had going for it.

"In the second half, we just got very, very careless which got us into a lot of trouble," commented Oiler head coach Tom Pileski. "The kids played well overall, I thought, especially when you consider that we have a number of backup people playing

a lot of minutes for us."

There were, however, a few bright spots in last night's setback as former Brockton High running back Jay McGee turned in what had to be his finest performance thus far in the Eastern Football League.

McGee alone accounted for both of the Brockton scores which came on a 40-yard run off tackle to put the Oilers up at the time 6-0.

McGee's other score came on a kick return when he got behind his blockers on the left side of the field and broke the play back to the right side where he outdistanced the Hyde Park kicker to the end zone for an 85-yard return.

On their first scoring drive, quarterback Fred Beissner mixed an occasional short pass with the running of McGee and Ed Nelson which seemed to confuse the Cowboy defense.

After McGee's kickoff return, the Cowboy defense, which had given up a mere 24 points in its first seven games, held the Oiler offense in check the rest of the way.

Another bright spot for Pileski's Oilers was the continued fine performance of defensive captain Bubba Pina who made a number of unassisted tackles in the open field.

With this loss, Brockton's record drops to 2-6 on the year.



Brockton Oiler quarterback Fred Beissner is on his way to a 15-yard run with Hyde Park's Joe Picard in pursuit. Beissner helped the Oilers jump to an early lead against the EFL leaders, but the Cowboys rallied for another victory. (Photo by Barry C. Allen)