

Oilers and Cobras face Friday challenges

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BROCKTON — Several key games are on tap this weekend in the Eastern Football League.

The Randolph Oilers, currently tied for first place with the Marlboro Shamrocks, entertain the Tri-Town Tigers in a 7:30 p.m. kickoff Friday night at Randolph's Memorial Field.

The unbeaten Oilers (4-0) can't afford to look past the Tigers (1-3) to their battle with also unbeaten Marlboro in two weeks.

Tri-Town picked up its first win last weekend, rolling past the Cape Cod Bears, 39-6.

Ed Lovely, a 5-10, 180-pound running back for Tri-Town, gained 124 yards on 16 attempts, including a 55-yard touchdown scamper to spearhead the win over Cape Cod. For his efforts he was selected as the EFL's Player of the Week.

Randolph, coming off a 9-7 win against a stubborn Charlestown team, has combined a multi-faceted offense with a tenacious defense into four straight wins as it hopes to make Tri-Town victim number five.

Running back Jay McGee picked up 95 yards in the Charlestown win, while backfield teammate Sean Crowley added another 72. Both runners found some gaping holes in the Charlestown defense as the Oilers' offensive line performed exceptionally well against

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a much bigger Townie unit.

McGee leads the league in scoring (30 points) and is fourth in rushing yardage (469).

Quarterback Bobby Witt continues to impress.

Witt methodically picked apart the Townie secondary, completing 8 of 12 pass attempts for 122 yards, including six in a row during one stretch of the game.

Witt leads the league in TD tosses (five) and is ranked second in both passing percentage (59) and rushing average (7.2).

The Middleboro Cobras entertain Charlestown as both teams put their 2-2 records on the line in a Friday night game scheduled at 8:30 p.m.

The Cobras lost a tough 7-5

game to Marlboro in their last outing and hope to get untracked offensively.

Running back Kelly Brooks stands as one of the league's top runners, gaining 265 yards on 62 attempts, including three TD runs.

Mike Gonsalves ranks second in kickoff returns and third in punt returns, helping to give the Cobra offensive unit good field position.

Middleboro's defensive unit certainly will give Charlestown and its league-leading quarterback Paul Soracco plenty to think about.

The Cobras lead the league in causing turnovers (14), rank second in fewest total yards allowed (607), and have given up the fewest first downs (24).

In other games, Rhode Island is at Cape Cod, while Marlboro hosts Hyde Park.

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