Randolph Oilers open with loss

Oilers lose opener 35-6



Quarterback Ryan Myers looking to connect with a wide receiver against Middleboro Cobras.

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The Randolph Oilers of the Eastern Football League opened their 2011 football season on Saturday June 25 losing to the Middleboro Cobras 35-6. "We made a couple of very costly mistakes in the first quarter," said veteran coach Ed Penn. "We dug ourselves a deep hole and you can't start that way against a team like the Cobras." The Cobras raced off to a 20-0 lead at the end of the first quarter and led 29-0 at the half.

The Oilers settled down and played a strong second half, putting their first points on the board early in the third quarter. Quarterback Ryan Myers found wide receiver Will Price in the end zone on a 15 yard scoring pass. The touchdown was set up by a nifty 40 yard punt return by the speedy Leon McBean and a 25 yard pass to wide receiver and Holbrook resident Vinny Ventosi.

"We did not have the benefit of a preseason scrimmage," said Penn. "I guess you could say that the first half was our first scrimmage of the year." Penn was extremely pleased with his squads overall effort and the way the offense moved the ball in the second half. "I liked the way we responded in the second half," said Penn. "We moved the ball on offense and we played very solid defense." The Oilers next game is against the Quincy Militia on July 9 - 7 p.m. at Quincy's Veteran Stadium.

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