

Mt. Juliet 34, Hendersonville 31

HENDERSONVILLE -- Mt. Juliet came from behind Friday in dramatic fashion, scoring with 25 seconds left to steal a 34-31 victory at Hendersonville's Paul Decker Field. Fullback Contrez McCathern got behind the Hendersonville defense and caught a 56-yard touchdown pass from Nolan Chowbay to give the Golden Bears (8-1, 5-1 District 9AAA) the lead and ultimately the victory.

The two teams matched each other blow for blow and produced more than 900 yards of total offense – 457 for the Golden Bears and 462 for the Commandos.

Hendersonville (4-5, 2-4) had taken the lead with 1:20 to go when Andrew Pate took a screen pass from Jeremias Elston and rambled 81 yards for a TD on 4th-and-11. The Commandos were 4-of-5 in fourth-down conversions in the game.

Pate also scored on runs of 38 and 4 yards, and Colt Cupit had an 8-yard TD run for Hendersonville. Chowbay threw three TDs, two of those going to Jalen Graham. Caleb Hopkins had the other touchdown for the Bears on a 3-yard run.

The Commandos travel to Lebanon next week to close out the regular season, while Mt. Juliet plays at county rival Wilson Central Thursday in a TV game..

Beech 37, Lebanon 7 --

LEBANON — Beech wrapped up the District 9AAA title Friday night and remained undefeated after a 37-7 victory at Lebanon -- spoiling the Blue Devil homecoming. The Buccaneers (9-0, 6-0) built a 30-0 advantage against LHS (0-9, 0-6) by halftime as the game was never in doubt.

Playing without leading rusher and scorer Jalen Hurd (shoulder), Class 5A's top-ranked team and No. 1 seed in the TSSAA playoff field had no problem finding the end zone.

Dylan Jett scored the first touchdown of the game and the Bucs tacked on a 2-point conversion. The defense forced a three-and-out and Parker Campbell capitalized with a touchdown, and Dorian Carter added a 2-point conversion. Seventeen seconds later, after a Lebanon fumble, Beech was back in the end zone as Dametris Watson scored to push the lead to 23-0 with 3:25 remaining in the opening quarter.

Campbell scored against with 2:22 remaining in the first half as the Bucs built the 30-0 lead.

Lebanon limps into next Friday's regular season finale with Hendersonville on a 10-game losing streak dating back to last season. The Blue Devils will be without the services of junior

linebacker Zach Vaden who suffered a knee injury on a kickoff return.

The Bucs close out the regular season when they play host to Gallatin on Oct. 26. The Green Wave (3-6, 2-4) were idle this week.

Wilson Central 24, Station Camp 10 --

GALLATIN -- Station Camp scored less than three minutes into the game but Wilson Central (8-1, 5-1) scored 24 of the next 27 points en route to a 24-10 District 9AAA win Friday night.

After Josh Malone intercepted Jordan Roundtree on the fifth play of the game and Reininger scored on the sixth, the Bison defense forced another turnover four plays later. Toney Zaffore recovered a Trey Givens fumble at the Wilson Central 38. But Station Camp did not capitalize.

Punts ended the game's three drives after the fumble before Wilson Central put together a 10-play, 86-yard drive to tie the contest. Roundtree found Chris Lee for a 21-yard touchdown pass — one of three plays of 20-plus yards on the drive.

Station Camp's next two drives ended with turnovers on downs. The first was a 9-yard sack of Kyle Anderton on fourth-and-4 at his own 44. The next was a fake punt on fourth-and-8 at the Station Camp 37 that netted a two-yard gain. Bookending those two possessions were a 1-yard touchdown run by Wilson Central's Kaleb Butler and a 36-yard field goal by Brad Cavanaugh to give the Wildcats a 17-7 edge at halftime.

Station Camp (4-5, 2-4), which had just one first down in the first half, collected four on its second drive of the third quarter, and it led to a 20-yard field goal from Kasey Kammerzell.

The Bison stopped the Wildcats at midfield on the ensuing possession and after a punt took over at their own 10. But Preston Reed came up with a sack, forced fumble and fumble recovery three plays later at the Bison 2, and two plays later Roundtree snuck in from the 1.

Malone was intercepted on an end around pass on the 11th play of the next Station Camp drive. Eric Simmons picked it off at his own 25, and the Wildcats were able to burn away the remaining 4:38 of the game.

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