

Cumberland's Reed Gurchiek was named the Tennessee Sports Writers Association Offensive Player of the Week after accounting for 237 yards of total offense and two touchdowns in CU's 28-23 victory over Campbellsville University Saturday at Nokes-Lasater Field.

The sophomore QB threw for 161 yards on 11-of-19 with a 14-yard score to Lemeco Miller and also rushed for a 44-yard TD, part of seven rushes for 76 yards. His rushing touchdown proved to be the winning points for the Bulldogs.

The Mt. Juliet High graduate has thrown just one interception in the last six games (109 attempts) and has 1,093 passing yards and 385 rushing yards this season, accounting for 10 total touchdowns.

Cumberland plays at Bethel University this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. with first place in the Mid-South Conference West Division on the line.

CU 28, Campbellsville 23

LEBANON -- Cumberland's defense allowed just 52 yards in the fourth quarter, including an interception by Michael Hagewood in the final minute, to preserve a 28-23 victory over Campbellsville Saturday night at Nokes-Lasater Field.

The game was just the second night contest in program history for Cumberland and the first since taking over at Nokes-Lasater this past spring. CU defeated Austin Peay on September 1, 2000, in the only other night game in program history, also at Nokes-Lasater.

The Bulldogs (6-2, 2-1 Mid-South West) stayed alive in the conference race with the victory along with a 33-21 loss by Faulkner University earlier in the evening at Bethel. CU travels to Bethel next week for a 1:30 p.m. kickoff.

Lemeco Miller rushed for 91 yards and a score and caught a 14-yard TD pass in the first half, but the Tigers (2-6, 1-3) crowded the line of scrimmage in the second half, forcing the Bulldogs

to look for yards elsewhere.

CU had just 26 yards of offense in the third period before a 30-yard completion to Daniel Dayton on third down and a 44-yard touchdown run from Reed Gurchiek accounted for the final points of the game for the Bulldogs.

The Cumberland defense answered the bell at the end of the game, forcing a punt, holding on downs at the CU 9, forcing a fumble at the 45 and then picking up just the third interception of the season in the final minute to hold on for the win.

Defensive end Jarred Williams recovered a pair of fumbles for the Bulldogs, including at the CU one-yard line in the second quarter and the fumble at the CU 45 with 2:38 remaining.

Gurchiek finished with 76 yards rushing and was 11-for-19 passing for 161 yards and one score and Miller ran for 126 yards on the night.

The Bulldogs rushed for 277 net yards in the contest with three touchdowns, the fifth game this season with more than 246 on the ground.