

Wolfpack make history with undefeated season



A Castlebrooke Dragons player is dropped for a loss of yards by two Wolfpack defenders during last Wednesday's final regular season game at Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School. The Wolfpack ended the regular season undefeated and will now go into the playoffs as the first place team. Photo by Brian Lockhart

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The Robert F. Hall Wolfpack football team have something else to add to their scrapbooks when they graduate.

In addition to a diploma, this team can claim to be the first Wolfpack football team to end the regular season undefeated.

The squad played their seventh game last Wednesday (Oct. 30) and left with a 34-6 win over the Castlebrooke Secondary School Dragons.

The Wolfpack have been a dominant force in high school ball this season, but it's not over yet. The playoffs are coming and the team will now get ready to challenge for the championship.

In last Wednesday's game, the team had little difficulty taking an early lead on touchdowns from Curtis Fillier and Aaron Coward. Two safeties added to the total.

Going into the second half, the Wolfpack widened the gap with a TD from Dalton Lisso.

With the final minute ticking down, the Dragons went for the throwing game in an attempt to gain some yards. Defensive back Josh Van Amelsvoort snagged and interception and returned for a TD to top up the Wolfpack total.

The Castlebrooke squad managed a touchdown late in the game to avoid a shut-out and the game ended 34-6.

"It's an amazing feeling," said Wolfpack quarterback Sean Coomey. "I've played football for three years and this is my first undefeated season."

"We wanted to make sure all the second strings got in for this game," he added. "We are taking a positive attitude to make sure everybody got in, but also keep it serious ? don't slack off too much ? but also have a lot of fun."

The squad can't rest on their laurels ? far from it. The playoffs are soon to start and those other teams will be working just as hard to stay alive.

"Friday we practise, then we have very serious practices, rain or shine," Coomey said. "We want to go undefeated, obviously that's every team's intention, but especially us. I think a lot of the Grade 12 and 13s really want this. They deserve it. They've been working really hard."

With a playoff berth already assured, head coach Jason Sweeney said they made a few decisions to keep some key players out of a game that would not impact on the rest of the season.

"We had some injuries and we rested some guys just to make sure no one got hurt," he said. "It was a 'nothing' game. Either way we had first place locked up."

The decision to avoid risking any top players in the final game means the squad will have a healthy first string going into the playoff round.

The first game of the playoffs is scheduled for today (Thursday), on the Robert F. Hall field at 2:30 p.m.