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Roos fall to Eagles 33-14

Brent Shirley



Weatherford fullback Jaren Gentry fights for yards in the first half of Friday's 33-16 loss to Abilene at Kangaroo Stadium. (Photo by Brent Shirley)

Weatherford's defense slowed down Abilene's offense Friday at Kangaroo Stadium, but the Roos (3-3, 1-1) couldn't stop the Eagles (6-0, 3-0) in the fourth quarter. Abilene led by only 10 points entering the final period, but the Eagles reeled off two quick touchdowns and a field goal to win 33-16.

The 33 points was the lowest scoring total this year for the Eagles. Abilene's previous low was a 34-point showing against Tyler Lee.

After a scoreless first quarter, Abilene struck first when quarterback Ronnell Sims ran 15 yards and front flipped into the end zone. Weatherford fullback Jaren Gentry answered for the Roos on their next possession, running for a three-yard touchdown to cut the Eagles' lead to 7-6.

Abilene added another score on a three-yard run from Herschel Sims to give the Eagles a 13-6 half-time lead.

Joey Renteria kicked a 24-yard field goal on Abilene's first possession of the third quarter, increasing the Eagles' lead to 16-6. Abilene seized control of the game with a 10-play, 82-yard touchdown drive that started with 2:51 left in the third quarter. Running back Tony Curtis finished the drive with a 12-yard touchdown run to give the Eagles a 23-6 lead with 11:14 left in the game.

Renteria kicked a 20-yard field goal with eight minutes left in the fourth quarter to make the score 26-6. Herschel Sims scored his second one-yard touchdown on the ground with 4:26 left to make the score 33-6.

Weatherford slot back Trooper Reynolds scored on a 14-yard touchdown run with 50 seconds left in the game, and Gentry ran for a two-point conversion to make the final score 33-14. Entering the game, Abilene had allowed only three points combined in its first two district wins against Burleson and Paschal.

Weatherford will play at Haltom next week. Abilene is off next week, and the next game for the Eagles will be at Haltom on Oct. 23.

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