



Hyacks Football Headlines

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Varsity News & Notes

HYACKS WRAP UP WITH A WIN

The 2007 regular season wrapped up in Campbell River on Saturday with a thrilling 35-34 come from behind victory over Timberline. The Hyacks trailed 14-0 early in the first quarter before **Darnell Sikorski** got the Hyacks on the scoreboard with a record-setting 76 yard TD run. The previous longest TD run by a Hyack was 61 yards, shared by Ben Davies (2005) and Brian Yi (2004). It was the start of a memorable day for Sikorski who also set a single-game record with 252 rushing yards.

QB **Matt MacGrotty** then threw a pair of TDs, 21 yards to **Tyler Digby** and 39 yards to **Daniel English**, to tie the game a 21-21 in the 3rd quarter. **Blain Cawkell** added a pair of TDs to give the Hyacks their first lead in the 4th quarter. Defensively MacGrotty was everywhere with 12 tackles (4 for loss), 2 forced fumbles, 1 recovery and a pair of QB pressures. Sikorski added 7 tackles on defense while **Casey Chin** had 6. With the win New West finishes in a tie for first place in the Western Conference with a best ever 5-1 record (7-3 overall) and are ranked 4th in the province heading into the playoffs.



Darnell Sikorski rumbled for two more touchdowns on Saturday in Campbell River. Photo: Alan Wardle

PLAYOFFS OPEN THIS SATURDAY UNDER THE DOME

When the BCSSFA AAA Playoffs open this weekend at BC Place Stadium, NWSS will be front and center in the featured game on Saturday at 7:30 pm. Perennial power WJ Mouat will provide the opposition. For the Hyacks it will be their first appearance in BC Place since 2005 and they are still looking for their first playoff victory there. They are also looking for their first ever victory over the Hawks having lost to them in 2005 & 2006. Advance tickets are \$10 and are available at by contacting Mr Battistin at NWSS (604-517-6238). There will also be a fan bus going from NWSS to BC Place departing at 6 pm on game day.

HYACKS WELL REPRESENTED ON ALL-STAR TEAM



Darnell Sikorski (Gr 12)
Defensive Player of the Year
Darnell has been dominant on both sides of the ball, leading the Hyacks in both tackles (58) and rushing (1057 yards). His 11.7 yards per carry is tops in BC.



Chenghao Cui (Gr 12)
Offensive Line
Cheng was a key figure in a Hyacks offense that rushed for over 3400 yards. He also started on defense and topped all linemen with 25 tackles.



Glenn Boyce (Gr 12)
Linebacker
Glenn is a two-time all-star at LB, finishing 2nd on the team with 52 tackles.



Enoch Osei (Gr 11)
Defensive Back
Enoch excelled in man-to-man coverage in the Hyacks biggest games this season.



Tyler Digby (Gr 11)
Defensive Line
Tyler was also a two-way starter and led the Hyacks with 5 QB sacks. Offensively he also led the team in receptions (14), receiving yardage (229) and TDs (5).



John Drury (Gr 12)
Running Back (Honorable Mention)
John was among the leading rushers in BC this season with 864 yards and led the Hyacks with 9 TDs. He is a two-time all-star and is the NWSS career rushing record holder with over 2500 yards.

Junior Varsity News & Notes

JV's BEGIN PLAYOFFS THIS THURSDAY

The JVs battled hard last Thursday but fell just short of winning the league title, dropping a 45-41 decision to Notre Dame. **Daniel English, Vivie Bojilov, Torsten Jaccard, Andrew Lee** and **Ian Henderson** were among the scorers for New West. As a result, the Hyacks will begin the playoffs this week against Sands HS on Thursday at 5:30 pm at Mercer Stadium.

Peewee & Junior Bantam News & Notes

The peewees wrapped up their inaugural season on Friday night at Mercer Stadium with a game against the league-leading Langley Cowboys. Despite great efforts by all involved, the Hyacks were overwhelmed the bigger and more experienced visitors and lost 37-0. **Ryan Rickaby, Aaron Holloway** and **Nathan Punzo** were the standouts in this final game. The boys should be very proud of their pioneering efforts this year, which will be celebrated at the year-end banquet in December. In the second game of the evening, the junior bantams took on the Langley Outlaws,

narrowly losing 16-12. Langley took a 16-0 lead into halftime on a long run and an interception, but the Hyacks battled back in the second half, outplaying their opponents who had dominated them in pre-season action. **Ryan Schucroft** scored on a speed sweep play early in the third quarter to get the Hyacks on the board. After a long pass completion from **Thomas Tse** to **Kevin Cao, Lucas London** ran in the final score of the season, which put a definite scare in the visitors, who are placed in the top third of the league. All in all, the boys competed very well this year and grew tremendously.

Upcoming Events

Playoffs: Junior Varsity vs. Sands Scorpions

Thursday, November 8 5:30 PM Mercer Stadium

The Hyacks are looking to bounce back from their narrow loss to Notre Dame with a first-round elimination of the Scorpions.

Playoffs: Varsity vs. WJ Mouat Hawks

Saturday, November 10 7:30 PM BC Place Stadium

The Hyacks, #2 seed from the West, will take on the always-dangerous Hawks, the #5 seed from the East.

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