



# Hyacks Football Headlines

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## Varsity News & Notes

### HYACKS MAGICAL SEASON CONTINUES

It was a history-making night for the Hyacks who turned in one of their most complete efforts of the season, en route to a 57-20 quarter-final victory over South Kamloops at Mercer Stadium. It didn't take long for New West to take the lead – Sr QB **Matt MacGrotty** hooked up with grade 10 receiver **Daniel English** for a 66 yard TD on the first play from scrimmage. Then following a safety, **John Drury** scored from 5 yards out to put the Hyacks up 16-0 at the end of the first quarter. MacGrotty then scored on a QB sneak to make it 23-7.



*Chenghao Cui and Dmitri Golimbonis pave the way for John Drury.*

*Photo: Alan Wardle*

In the 3rd quarter, Drury scored 3 more times to put the game out of reach at 44-14. Drury's 4 TDs on the night is new

Hyack single-game record. He now has 14 TDs this season. **Darnell Sikorski** then scored from 17 yards out, before Sr receiver **Kerry Rozell** scored his first TD as a Hyack, in his final game at Mercer Stadium, catching an 11 yard pass from grade 10 QB **Torsten Jaccard**. In all the Hyack offense finished with 556 yards from scrimmage. That total, along with the 57 points, are both school single-game records.

Defensively the Hyacks intercepted a season-high 3 passes. MacGrotty, **Abdul Ali** and **Glenn Boyce** each had one. For Ali, he now has 4 interceptions in his last 4 games. **Blain Cawkell** led the team with 6 tackles including 2 for loss. Every member of the Hyacks who dressed got to play in this game. Even JV call-ups **Nigel Eberding** and **Sean Ewart** got in on the act: Eberding rushed for 24 yards on 4 carries while Ewart made 3 tackles. New West now has a 9-3 overall record.

### HYACKS BACK IN THE DOME FOR THE FINAL FOUR

As a result of Friday night's win, the Hyacks advance to the Subway Bowl AAA provincial semi-finals for the first time ever. With number-one-ranked Holy Cross providing the opposition. The Crusaders are undefeated this season at 10-0 and are coming off an impressive 69-34 win over Mt Douglas in the quarter-finals. The Hyacks will need to stop Provincial Player of the Year Billy Greene and AAA Defensive MVP Mitchell Bosch.

New West will hardly go into this game without weapons of their own: the Hyacks boast three 1000 yard rushers (Darnell Sikorski: 1256 yds, 9 TDs, Blain Cawkell: 1146 yds, 6 TDs and John Drury: 1064 yds, 14 TDs), the first time in recent memory any team in BC has ever been able to accomplish that feat. The game will be on Saturday, November 24th at 5 pm at BC Place. Tickets can be purchased at the stadium as they will not be available in advance.

# TWO HYACKS EARN PROVINCIAL ALL-STAR HONORS

Congratulations to Darnell Sikorski and Glenn Boyce who were both named to the AAA Pepsi Provincial All-Star Team:

## **Darnell Sikorski (Gr 12) - Linebacker**

Darnell was dominant on both sides of the ball, leading the Hyacks in both tackles (66) and rushing (1256 yards). He was named conference Defensive Player of the Year. His 11.5 yards per carry is tops in BC and he is just 4 yards shy of Mike Tuangkitkun's Hyacks single season rushing record (1260).

## **Glenn Boyce (Gr 12) – Linebacker**

Glenn is a two-time conference all-star at linebacker, finishing 2nd on the team with 62 tackles.

Glenn and Darnell are also both team captains. They are the 8th and 9th Hyacks to be named to the Provincial all-star team in five seasons and they will be honored at the Subway All-star Awards Banquet on Wednesday, Nov 28th at the Italian Cultural Center.

## Junior Varsity News & Notes

# JV SEASON ENDS IN PLAYOFFS

A promising season came to an end for the JV Hyacks on Thursday in heart-breaking fashion at Coquitlam's Town Center stadium as New West lost 22-14 to Terry Fox in the provincial quarter finals. QB **Torsten Jaccard** tied the game at 6-6 for the Hyacks in the first quarter, scrambling 40 yards for a TD on third-down bootleg run. **Vivie Bojilov** capped a long Hyacks drive by giving New Westminster a 14-6 lead late in the third quarter with a short TD run. After forcing New West to give up a safety early in the fourth quarter, the Ravens responded by running back the ensuing kickoff for a TD to tie the game 14-14, and then scored the winning TD on a broken play with 3 minutes remaining. **Casey Chin, Alex Popov** and **Bojilov** led a defense that surprised the host Ravens with its tenacity, toughness and hard hits. The Hyacks finished the season with a 7-4 record and set a solid foundation for future success at both the JV and varsity levels. Congratulations to Coach Chad Oatway and the players for a very good year!



*Daniel English has had a standout year for both the JV and varsity teams. Photo: New West Newsleader*

## Year End Banquet – Date Changed

Tuesday, December 4th is now the new and FINAL date for the annual Hyack Football Awards Banquet. The event will still be at Laguna Blu restaurant at Westminster Quay. Dress will be semi-formal. Players will not be charged to attend but will be asked to make a \$5 contribution towards coachs' gifts when they receive their tickets. All other tickets will be \$20. More information will be provided in the coming week. Lynn Duncan is coordinating this event and can be reached at [dn.duncan@shaw.ca](mailto:dn.duncan@shaw.ca).

# Upcoming Events

## **BC Semi-Final Playoff: Varsity vs. Holy Cross Crusaders**

*Saturday, November 24                      5:00 PM                      BC Place Stadium*

The Hyacks are in the provincial semi-finals for the first time ever in the history of the program. This game features two high-powered offenses, and will be a great opportunity for the Hyacks defense and special teams to shine.

## **Hyack Football Awards Banquet**

*Tuesday, December 4                      TBD                      Laguna Blu, Westminster Quay*

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