



Hyacks Football Headlines

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News & Notes

HYACKS WIN SEASON OPENER AT BLAINE



The varsity Hyacks got the season started on the right track with a come from behind 26-20 win at Blaine (WA) HS. New West trailed 13-12 at half time and 20-18 after the 3rd quarter. But thanks to a 16 play drive in the 4th quarter, capped by a 1 yd TD run from **Nigel Eberding**, his 2nd major of the game, the visitors were able to pull it out. **Warren Reece** and QB **Torsten Jaccard** scored TDs in the first half. Jaccard also completed 9 of 14 passes for 124 yards and was very efficient all night.

The Hyacks finished with 327 yards of offense and needed a strong defensive stand in the late going to preserve the win. Defensively **Shiraz Chaudhary** posted 7 tackles, while **Brent Fletcher** and **Jeremy Davis** each had 5.

HOME OPENER THIS FRIDAY

The Varsity Hyacks will play their first home game of the season at Mercer Stadium this Friday night at 7:30, in a much-anticipated game against Centennial HS. The Centaurs are ranked 2nd in the provincial polls while the Hyacks are ranked 3rd. Centennial boasts a pair of players, Lemar Durant and Nehemie Kankolongo, who have already committed to NCAA Div 1 scholarships. Like the Hyacks, the Centaurs reached the AAA provincial semi-finals last season. These two teams haven't played at the varsity level since 2006.

JV's OPEN SEASON AGAINST TERRY FOX

The new and improved Hyack JV squad will get a good test on Thursday when they open the season against perennial powerhouse Terry Fox at 5:30 at Mercer Stadium. The Hyacks are coming off a spirited intra-squad game last Thursday, with the Orange team coming from behind to defeat the white team 19-14. Notable performances came from **Jeremy Wilson**, **Lucas London** and **Regan Eberding**. In only his first year of organized football, Wilson's development has been so impressive that he has been named team co-captain, along with Eberding, **Connor Brady** and **Jordan Chin**

The Ravens reached the 2nd round of the playoffs last year following back to back provincial titles. This is a change to the schedule as the Hyacks were originally set to face Rick Hansen this week and Terry Fox next week. Next week the JV Hyacks will host Mission HS at 5:30 at Mercer. The rest of the schedule remains unchanged.

For more info on the Hyacks game at Blaine, click [here](#) to go to The Record and check out the game pics [here](#)

YOUTH FOOTBALL UPDATE

The Hyacks had a very solid first weekend of regular season play, with all teams putting forth a great effort and having fun. The season is off to a great start, with over 115 young people on Hyacks Football youth teams this fall.

The flag team narrowly lost their first-ever regular season game against a very tough Cloverdale Cheetahs team. Coach Dancey's team is having fun and enjoying their inaugural season so far.

The atom Hyacks opened their season with a 33-19 win over the visiting Burnaby Lions at Mercer Stadium. Liam and Ethan van Kalsbeek made several big plays on both sides of the ball, while Paul Roadilla had an outstanding game blocking and tackling.



The peewee Hyacks also hosted games at Mercer Stadium. Coach Dosanjh's Black team narrowly lost a close fought battle to the Burnaby Lions 20-13, having two touchdown runs in the final minute called back. They will certainly be ready for their other two league games against the Lions this season. For Coach Bridge's Orange team, it was a 38-0 defeat at the hands of a talented and deep Cloverdale Lynx squad. Joshua Rogal and Jac Howe were the standouts in that game - the first of three against the Cougars.

For the junior bantam Orange squad, it was a 31-6 defeat by the host Cloverdale Cougars team, which features several outstanding players. Marc Massicotte scored the lone Hyacks touchdown of the game on a second-half fumble return, with Tommy Robertson also displaying outstanding leadership in all facets of the game. Coach Stefaniuk's team will be looking to rebound this Sunday against a good Vancouver Trojans team that they previously faced and defeated in a pre-season scrimmage.

Junior bantam Black finished off the day with a 34-7 defeat of the Burnaby Lions. James Nicolas made several outstanding open-field runs as a result of the sound blocking of his teammates. Jonathan Cote and Ryan Rickaby were also defensive standouts. The team will be looking to avenge Orange's loss as they face the Cougars on Sunday in Cloverdale.



KICK OFF PEP RALLY

The first annual Hyack Football Pep Rally presented by Kins Farm Market will be held on Saturday, Sept 12th from 10 am to 1 pm at Royal City Center Mall. The event will be hosted by New Westminster's own Belle Puri of CBC Vancouver. The event kicks off with a pancake and continental breakfast and courtesy of White Spot and Cobbs Bread. There will also be a Kids Corner with games, contests and balloons along with a live band. The proceeds will benefit the Royal City Hyacks Youth Football Club, with a percentage going Holbrook Shelter, thanks to VanCity.

KIN'S LOYALTY CARDS

By now all parents should have received their Kin's Loyalty Cards. Just show the card the next time you visit Kin's Farm Market at Royal City Center and ten percent of the proceeds from your sale will be donated back to the Hyack Football program. If you forgot your card, just say the word "Hyacks" and five percent will be donated to the program! Special thanks to Kin's for this program and for the outstanding Bus Shelter ad (pictured here) on 6th and 6th promoting the Hyacks.

TAILGATE AUCTION LOOKING FOR ITEMS & GUESTS

The sixth annual Hyack Football Tailgate Auction will be held on Saturday, September 26th at the Justice Institute of BC. This has been a very entertaining and successful event in past years and is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the football program. We are looking for any potential auction items you or your associates might be willing to donate, please contact: hyacksauction@shaw.ca. Please join us for a great night of fun, friendship and entertainment. Tickets are \$50 each. For ticket information please contact Marilyn at: mdavis@sd40.bc.ca.

HOME COMING SEPT 25th

All Hyack Football Alumni please mark your calendars. This year's Homecoming game will take place on Friday, Sept 25th when the Hyacks take on Kelowna at Mercer Stadium. Homecoming festivities will begin at 6 pm with the varsity game kicking off at 7:30. This year the JV's will also be playing in a prelim game at 4:30. The Parachutists will also be back to deliver the game ball. All grads should RSVP to Shelly at spittlers@shaw.ca

YOUTH CAR WASH AND BOTTLE DRIVE A SUCCESS

Thank you to the community, for coming out to support the Hyacks youth football teams' car wash on September 6th. Many parents, players and volunteers chipped in a few hours and some soaked clothes to raise money for the club, with over \$850 being raised in one day. A huge thank you also goes to Lianne Gentile for organizing this event and our season-long bottle drive, which is also receiving fantastic support. The account is at **Rocky Mountain Return Centre** in New Westminster (located at 131-11th Street & Aukland). Just bring your recyclable bottles and cans in, tell them you are there for: "**Hyack Football**" when you drop them off, and they do the rest. They are open Sunday to Friday. Keep those recyclables coming in!

HYACK FOOTBALL SOUVENIRS and SEASON PASSES

The first response to the new Hyack Football souvenirs was outstanding. If you are interested in showing off your colors, you can buy hoodies, golf shirts, hats and much more at any youth or varsity home game. You can also find them at Prime Time Sports at Royal City Center Mall or by contacting Marilyn Davis at mdavis@sd40.bc.ca

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept 10th, 5:30: JV season opener, vs Terry Fox
Sept 11th, 7:30: VARSITY HOME OPENER vs Centennial
Sept 12th, 10 am - 1 pm: Kin's/Hyack Football Breakfast, Royal City Center Mall
Sept 26th, 6pm: Tailgate Auction/Night of Entertainment, Justice Institute of BC

YOUTH

Sep 13 9:00 AM Langley Stallions Langley City Park - FLAG
Sep 13 11:30 AM White Rock Blue South Surrey Athletic Park – ATOM
Sep 12 8:00 PM Burnaby Lions Burnaby Lakes – PEEWEE ORANGE
Sep 13 10:00 AM Cloverdale Lynx Cloverdale Athletic Park - PEEWEE BLACK
Sep 13 10:30 AM Vancouver Trojans Rupert Park – JB ORANGE
Sep 13 11:45 AM Cloverdale Cougars Cloverdale Athletic Park – JB BLACK

Good Luck to the New Westminster Salmonbellies in the Mann Cup – Let's go Royal City!

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