

Seadogs Beat Pirates, 13-6 In Final Home Game of Year

Beaufort's Seadogs gained at least a tie for second place in the Seashore Conference Friday night when they won a hard-fought 13-6 decision over the Swansboro Pirates.

Larry Kirk was the big gun in the Seadogs attack, running from the left-half position. The team was most ably directed by quarterback Jimmy Potter.

Beaufort Marches to Score

Beaufort started the game by taking the opening kickoff and marching downfield for a tally. Kirk scored the TD when he went around end from the 4.

Swansboro came right back as they put the ball in play on the kickoff from their own 45. In three plays they went over for the tying score as Alton Strain went 25 yards off tackle.

In the final quarter the Seadogs scored the deciding tally when the Beaufort boys recovered a fumble at the Swansboro 36. Jerry Willis scored the TD on a yard plunge and then scored the extra point on a slant off tackle to give the Seadogs the 13-6 decision.

Swansboro kicked off to start the game and the Seadogs put the ball in play on their own 37.

Kirk went around end for a first down at the 48. Jamie Norris cracked the middle to the Swansboro 46 and then carried to the 45. Willis went off tackle to the 41 and another first down.

Kirk went off tackle to the 34 and then he hit the same spot down to the 27 and another first down. Willis cracked the middle to the 22 and the Seadogs had another first down when Swansboro was ruled offside on the next play.

Kirk Scores

Kirk carried from the 17 to the 4 around end for yet another first down and then he carried it around end once again to score. Alex Copeland's attempt for the extra point conversion was no good.

Norris kicked off for Beaufort and Dick Kellum returned the ball 25 yards to his own 45. Strain went around end to the Beaufort 38 for a first down.

Alex Reeves went to the 25 on a quick opener and then Strain went off tackle into the end zone for the tying marker. The try for the extra point was no good.

The first quarter ended shortly after the two scoring marches.

In the second quarter Beaufort marched to the Swansboro 31 after starting on their own 34, and at that point they lost the ball on downs.

Swansboro couldn't gain any yardage and they punted to Beaufort with the Seadogs putting the ball in play at midfield. The Seadogs marched down to the 13 and were penalized back to the 18 for an offside infraction. Larry Kirk threw six passes during this sequence, completing two of them to Dickie Moore.

Kirk was snowed under at the 31 when he attempted a pass and on fourth down his pass was intercepted by Swansboro's Kellum as the first half ended.

Beaufort kicked off to start the second half and the Pirates put the ball in play from their own 48.

Ed Willis Recovers Fumble

Strain went for a gain at the Beaufort 44 and the Seadogs were penalized back to their 29 for unnecessary roughness. Reeves went to the 25 and then Ed Willis recovered a fumble on his own 26.

J. Willis went over guard for a first down at the 36. Kirk went off tackle to the 40 and Norris gained three more on a pitchout. Kirk cracked the center to the 45 and J. Willis made another first down at the 47.

Norris carried on a reverse and went to the Swansboro 39 for another first down. Kirk went around end for one and Norris carried on a reverse to the 38. J. Willis went off tackle to the 30 and then made the first down at the 29 on a center plunge.

Willis cracked the middle to the 22. On second down a bad pass from center pushed the Seadogs back to their own 36 where Kirk covered the bill. Kirk passed and pass interference was ruled against the Pirates giving Beaufort a first down at the 19.

Norris lost 7 yards on a reverse and the Seadogs were penalized back to the 31 for unnecessary roughness after Willis had gone to the 17 on a center smash. The third quarter ended with the score still tied.

Gillikin Fumbles

Pete Holt intercepted Kirk's pass as the final quarter started. The Pirates couldn't gain and on fourth down Ronnie Ross punted to the Seadogs and Raymond Gillikin fumbled the ball with Swansboro recovering at midfield. Strain was thrown for a yard loss and then Charles Spangle recovered Kellum's fumble back on the Swansboro 36.

Kirk went off tackle to the 29 and Willis went around end to the 15 for a first down. Kirk carried on a quick opener down to the 1 and Willis crashed off tackle for the score. Willis also made the extra point going off tackle and the Seadogs led 13-6.

Kellum returned the kickoff 14 yards back to his own 44.

Gillikin Intercepts Pass

On a third down pass by Kellum the ball was intercepted by Gillikin at the Swansboro 48.

Kirk went off tackle to the 41 and an offside against Swansboro gave the Seadogs a first down at the 36. Kirk went over guard to the 32 and Willis hit the center to the 27. Potter carried on a quarterback sneak for the first down at the 24.

Kirk gained a yard around end and Norris lost a yard on a reverse. Kirk's pass attempt to Moore was broken up as the game ended.

The entire Seadogs team played a very fine game. Their two marches for scores were very ably quarterbacked by Potter.

Seadogs Kirk and J. Willis were the big guns on the offense and did very well carrying the ball.