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SCHETELICH PASSES FOR 260 YARDS AND THREE TDs, CHRISTIANO TWO TD RECEPTIONS

Cougar Footballers Go 9-0, Rout North Plainfield, 52-20

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Cranford High School football history was made for the second week in a row when the Cougar gridders routed the North Plainfield Canucks, 52-20, at Memorial Field in Cranford on November 7 to finish the regular season with a 9-0 record. Last week, the Cougars attained an 8-0 record for the first time ever with a 30-12 victory over Governor Livingston.

The possibility of another record may be on the horizon since the

Cougars have totaled 360 points in those nine game, while yielding just 123, but in the triumph over the Canucks, junior quarterback Jack Schetelich made all six of his pass completions worth while with 260 total yards, including respective touchdown (TD) passes of 67 yards, 33 yards and 39 yards. Schetelich also ran for TDs of 15 yards and nine yards.

"We put in a couple of new plays. They ran out of coverage. It was easy. Once the line gave me protection, we could do what-

ever we wanted. It was fun. It was a lot of fun tonight," Schetelich said.

Senior Luke Christiano also had a lot of fun on "Senior Night" with three receptions for 151 yards, including TD grabs of 67 yards and 39 yards. Senior Donavin Walker rushed four times for 42 yards and had a TD run of three yards. Senior Donte Anderson had two reception for 59 yards, including a 33-yard TD grab. Sophomore Ryan Bakie returned an interception 53 yards for a TD, and junior Joe Norton, who kicked all six of his points after, also booted a 29-yard field goal. Sophomore Brian Oblachinski kicked the final point after.

The Canucks got possession at their own 29 on the opening kickoff and proceeded to march 71 yards on 12 straight running plays, ending in a one-yard TD plunge by running back Kyeronn Cole, which may have caused some concern for the Cougars' defense. After Norton kicked a 29-yard field goal with 3:18 left in the first quarter, the Canucks got great field position at the Cougar 34 and took only four running plays when Jorge Zavaleta hooked right 16 yards to make the score, 14-3.

"I wouldn't say we got nervous. We never really get nervous. It happened before against Roselle and Del. Val. where we were

down," said Cougar defensive lineman Nick Ballas, who made several key tackles, including a six-yard sack.

Defensive back Kevin Trotter finished with three tackles and two assists, Colin Scanlon also had three tackles (2 throws for loss) and two assists. Ahmad Davis had two tackles (1 throw for loss) and two assists. Linebacker Niko Cappello had two tackles and an assist and Matt Muller had two tackles and two assists. Ethan Tom added a throw for a loss and two assists.

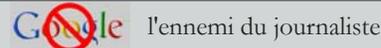
Three minutes into the second quarter, after Schetelich connected with Christiano for 45 yards to the Canuck 15, he kept the ball and slicked up the middle for a TD. On their next series,

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