

**MARSH CREEK EAGLES 120LB #2 –UMBERGER,**  
**SOAR OVER ABINGTON RAIDERS 22-0, IMPROVING TO 5-0**

On a beautiful day for flying the Abington Raiders marched into Hickory Park with thoughts of handing the Eagles their first loss this season. The high flying Eagles had other plans and James Meyer took the opening kickoff back to the 50 yard line. with a 20 yard return. The offense took the field behind Mark Fischer, Max Savidge, Jack Dienes, Matt Holowsko, Richard Worthy, Andrew Hogan and Matt Munro. After hard runs by Will Umberger, Kevin Stine and Dan Chisena and an incomplete pass attempt by Michael Risser, the birds were grounded and were forced to play defense.

The defense behind Mark Fischer, Max Savidge, Will Umberger, Matt Holowsko, Colby Burke and linebacking crew of A.J. Gripton, James Meyer, and Matt Boorman, corners of Dan Chisena and Matt Munro and safety, Kevin Stine swarmed the Raider offense and forced them to punt on 4<sup>th</sup> down.

The Eagles regrouped and took to the air. Risser hit Hogan for a short gain and two plays later Chisena for a longer gain and a first down. Brad Jewett then hit Matt Munro for about 15 yards. Having loosened up the defense, James Meyer ran around the right side for about 15 yards. The first quarter ended in a scoreless tie.

The Eagles' series culminated on the first play of the second quarter with a perfect pass from Michael Risser to Andrew Hogan, who caught it in his talons, for the final 15 yards and a touchdown. The extra point kick was no good and the Eagles were up 6-0.

The Raiders were given their marching orders, but hard hits by Zach Siever, Will Umberger, Alex McPherson and Colby Burke sent them packing. The raiders tried to pass, but the Eagles rule the air and Kevin Stine swatted the pass away.

The next Eagles drive stalled and the Raiders got the ball back on downs. On the first play, the Eagles Rich Worthy dove down and recovered a fumble.

The Eagles would not be stopped on the next series. Following hard runs, by Meyer, Stine and Risser, Michael Risser would find a lone Eagle (Dan Chisena) flying over and behind four Raiders, and Chisena would fall into the end zone for the Eagles second touchdown. The extra point kick by Boorman was good and the Eagles led 14-0.

On defense, A.J. Gripton found himself playing soccer with an Abington fumble and the half ended Eagles 14, Raiders 0.

The Raiders got the ball in the second half and tried to reform their lines, but the swarming Eagles confused the Abington offense and forced them to turn the ball over on downs.

After hard runs by Meyer, Chisena and Jewett, Kevin Stine scampered into the end zone behind the blocking of Will Umberger. The extra point kick by Colby Burke was good. Eagles 22, Abington 0.

The rest of the game was controlled by the hard hitting defense that caused one more fumble before the end of the game.

Brad Jewett took over for Michael Risser and threw a nice third and long pass to A.J. Gripton from the Eagles 3 yard line for a first down. Shortly after Will Umberger broke loose for a 27 yard gain and that sewed it up for the Eagles.

Final Score Eagles 22, Abington 0.