

St. Peter's Second Half Charge Sinks Lincoln

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NORTH BERGEN 34, DUMAREST 12

Dumarest has never been able to regain the form it showed in defeating St. Michael's, 16-0, earlier this season. The Red Wings were routed first in the county after the victory, but they have since lost to Union Hill, St. Peter's and now South

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By CAS BAROWSKI

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Statistics

| | St. Peter's | Lincoln |
|---------------|-------------|---------|
| First downs | 17 | 11 |
| Yards passing | 30 | 119 |
| Passing | 13 | 12 |
| Yards rushing | 81 | 8 |
| Rushing | 4 | 2 |
| Penalties | 2-27 | 4-6 |
| Fumbles lost | 2 | 1 |
| Points | 20 | 0 |

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COSTLY FUMBLE—Lincoln's Richie Hall is about to break into the clear. But St. Peter's Tony Genovese came over to make stop. He fumbled and St. Peter's Joe Salk recovered. (Van News Photo by Wally Henning.)

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A slanting defense with a rotating backfield was explained in the dressing room. This was the defense which stymied the Prep running game in the first half. Instead of playing head-on, the Lincoln defensive line shot the gaps in the Prep line while the secondary went to assigned zones. In essence the defense was a 5-2-4. "It was very successful until the boys tired and stopped shooting the gaps," Amabile said.

AMABILE HAD SAID before the game that he had to keep the ball away from St. Peter's. The Lions did that in the first half but in the second half Lincoln had possession of the pig-skin for only 11 plays. Richie Hall of Lincoln was the top ball carrier with 99 yards in 15 carries. Tony Mendolla was tops for St. Peter's with 75 yards in 16 carries.

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| | St. Peter's | Lincoln |
|--------------------|-------------|---------|
| First downs | 12 | 8 |
| Yards rushing | 161 | 118 |
| Passing | 5-9 | 0-5 |
| Yards passing | 57 | 0 |
| Passes intercepted | 0 | 0 |
| Penalties | +37 | 0-0 |
| Fumbles lost | 1 | 6 |
| Punts | 2-72 | 3-82 |

show. Both sides hit viciously and stops generally didn't come until gains were made. Prep and Lincoln fumbles in the first half and one Prep miscue.

FOR THE SECOND time in the last four games, St. Peter's went into the dressing room with a slim lead. Last week against St. Benedict's the Maroon Marauders enjoyed a one point halftime lead and then rolled to a convincing triumph. Snyder led St. Peter's at half by a touchdown but the Prep rallied back. And against Demarest, Prep led 6-0 at halftime only to pull away, 30-0.

A fourth down touchdown pass by halfback Frank Esposito to end Mike Meloney after a recovered Lincoln fumble moved St. Peter's into a lead early in the second quarter. Lincoln then moved 76 yards in nine plays with Cliff Hauser scoring from the 12. But Bob Zakhar's placement kick for the Prep gave Cochrane's lads a 7-6 halftime edge.

In the first half, Lincoln gained 136 yards rushing for St. Peter's. In the second half, St. Peter's was in complete control, rolling up 131 yards on the ground while the defense led by Gene Torpey. Meloney and Tony Genovese held the Lions of John Amabile to a minus 18 yards rushing.

TAKING THE second half kick-off, St. Peter's marched 68 yards in 10 plays with John Crowe plunging over from the two on a fourth and goal situation. Lincoln couldn't get a sustained attack going and St. Peter's converted for another score early in the fourth quarter as Ed Corrigan went 21 yards around end for a touchdown.

St. Peter's thus brought its county league mark to 4-0. Next week Memorial, 2-0 in league play, provides the opposition which may well decide the county championship.

The score:

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|-------------|---|---|---|------|
| St. Peter's | 0 | 7 | 6 | 7—20 |
| Lincoln | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0—6 |

St. Peter's—Meloney, 7 yard pass from Exposito; Zakhar placement.

Lincoln—Hauser, 12 yard run; Laurie pass failed.

St. Peter's—Crowe, 2 yard run; Zakhar placement failed.

St. Peter's—Corrigan, 21 yard run; Zakhar placement.

By The Star Ledger

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Maasai Maynor connected on three touchdown passes to lead third-seeded **St. Peter's Prep**, No. 3 in the NJ.com Top 20, to a 35-14 victory over sixth-seeded **St. Joseph (Met.)** in the quarterfinals of the Non-Public, Group 4 playoffs in Jersey City.

| 11/09 - 12:00 AM Football | Final |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| St. Joseph (Met.) | 14 |
| St. Peter's Prep | 35 |

[Complete Box Score »](#)

St. Peter's Prep (7-3) advances to next weekend's semifinals, where it will face the winner of Saturday's quarterfinal matchup between second-seeded and No. 2 St. Joseph. (Mont.) and seventh-seeded St. Augustine. The Pirates took a 16-7 loss at the hands of St. Joseph (Mont.) in the regular season finale.

St. Peter's Prep jumped out to a 14-0 lead by the end of the first quarter. St. Joseph's (7-3) Robert Kelly hauled in a 16-yard touchdown pass to cut the Pirates' lead to seven, but St. Peter's Prep scored two unanswered touchdowns in the second half to keep the Falcons at bay.

Maynor threw a 17-yard scoring pass to Ben Silver to start off the scoring in the first quarter. The quarterback linked up with Kyree Parker for a 24-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter, and hit Byron Shipman for a 44-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter. Maynor also punched in a short rushing touchdown in the opening quarter.

Paul Lefkowitz added on St. Peter's Prep's last touchdown on a six-yard run in the game's last minute.

Justin Chaparro went 5-for-5 on extra-point kicks.

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PREP Playoff win



Forgive me if you already know the result and delete now if you don't want to hear Oldgi Badneez analysis.

These PREP kids need to catch a break and play in sunshine or at least a dry moonlit night. But tonight, another dark and stormy at CavenPoint, even Faa's ghost sought shelter in his shed. But there was a sliver of silver lining tonight's game.

Want to guess how many ball carriers PREP used? Want to guess how many CONSECUTIVE carries freshman Paul Lefkowitz recorded early: 7, and on his last second td- 3 more. But wait, To open the game Summey handled all the next 7 running plays.

Sprinkle some Asanti, some receptions, Masai passes and runs... Hopefully this caravan drives the next opponent coaching nuts as they game plan (either another st. Joe or south jersey Hermits)

Any defense that can force 5 punts is doing their job. Ooops-fell for one fake punt.

If there was a weakness in the PREP game it was penalties. I counted 5: off side, false start, 2 holding that negated good gains and a never forgive-personal foul (PREP doesn't play that way. PERIOD)

I liked the way PREP played. More methodical than inspired to get on to the next round. But , be honest- With St Joe looming again after the regular season beat down- no yeah, but. I think the coaches did a great job of keeping the team focused on playing the the game they were playing (Not an easy task), making sure a lot of players played and were allowed to demonstrate they deserve to be an active part of this quest. On a personal note, Oldgi tips his concern: PREP placekicker was 4-4 today .Future opponents have kickers with long field goal and PAT history.

Well done Marauders.

PREP won 35-14