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9 State Championship Titles 12 Conference / Divisional Titles Greater Middlesex Conference - White Division NJSIAA - NJ 2, Group 4 Overall WHS Football Record: 445 - 356 - 40 .553



Last Game: (G6) Colonia L 27-26 Next Game: (G7) at South Plainfield Oct. 23 7pm

Players of the Game – (G5) New Brunswick As selected by WoodbridgeFootball.com



OVERALL Player of the Game

James Modica - 4 Receptions for 60 Yards with a Long of 15 yards and 2 TDs. 5 Solo Tackles, 5 assisted Tackles. 1 Kick Return for 7 Yards.

OFFENSIVE Player of the Game

Keshaun Henry - 11 Carries for 39 Yards with a Long of 11 Yards, 4 Receptions for 69 Yards with a Long of 28.

DEFENSIVE Players of the Game

James Modica - 10 Total Tackles. 5 Solo Tackles, 5 assisted Tackles.

Dylan Leone - 10 Total Tackles. 3 Solo Tackles, 7 Assisted Tackles.

Bernardo Sanchez - 9 Total Tackles. 1 Solo Tackle, 8 Assisted Tackles.

Alex LaGrippo - 8 Total Tackles. 1 Solo Tackle, 7 Assisted Tackles

SPECIAL TEAMS Player of the Game Keshaun Henry - 2 Kick Off Returns for 21 Yards with a Long of 17 Yards, 4 Punts for 117 Yards with a Long of 37 Yards. 1 Rushing 2 Point Conversion.

Gameday Predictions

By WoodbridgeFootball.com October 12, 2015 There are two big issues on the line with this game. First and foremost is winning and gaining momentum for a berth in the playoffs. Winning means big time Power Points and moving up in the NJ2-G4 rankings. And second, this is the "Bragging Rights Trophy Game"! Colonia has held the award since 2012. Both are powerful motivators. Colonia is on a two game losing skid and needs to rebound, while Woodbridge dropped an ugly game to New Brunswick. Colonia doesn't have a player the caliber of New Brunswick's Maurice Ffrench. With that said...

Woodbridge 35 – Colonia 14

By Greg Tufaro - MyCentralJersey.com October 15, 2015

No. 7 Colonia (3-2) at No. 5 Woodbridge (4-1), 7 p.m.: Both teams are 3-1 in the White Division and trail undefeated front-runner New Brunswick by a full game, so neither can afford a loss. The contest features the league's leading passers in Woodbridge's Tracy Fudge (770 yards) and Colonia's Chase Barneys (757 yards). Colonia linebacker Solomon Manning tops the

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conference with 11.8 tackles per game. Woodbridge 21-20.

By Chris Ryan | NJ Advance Media for NJ.com on October 15, 2015

These two rivals are both coming off loses in Week 5, and with New Brunswick in sole possession of first place in the White Division, both will be looking to stay within one game of the Zebras. Colonia will turn to Chase Barneys and Bashir Lauderdale to get back on track after two straight losses, while Woodbridge will look to get things going in the air with Tracy Fudge and Quaasim Glover.

Woodbridge 28, Colonia 20

Coach Borden's Week Four Predictions October 14, 2015 (winning team in bold) Colonia at **Woodbridge**

WHS Administration's Game Day Predictions October 13, 2015

Principal - Mr. Lottmann Woodbridge 25 – Colonia 12

Vice Principal - Mr. Hasan Woodbridge over Colonia

Vice Principal - Mr. Connelly Woodbridge over Colonia

GMC FOOTBALL TOP 10

Greg Tufaro, @GregTufaro - October 12, 2015

TOP 10 RANKINGS

1. Piscataway (4-0): Elijah Barnwell carried 15 times for 228 yards and four touchdowns as the Chiefs rolled to a 48-14 victory over J.P. Stevens. Next: at North Brunswick, Friday, 7 p.m.

2. South Brunswick (4-1): Josh Liao completed 7 of 9 passes for 169 yards and a score, while Mohamed Jabbie caught three passes for 109 yards in a 31-0 drubbing of East Brunswick. Next: Monroe, Friday, 7 p.m.

3. New Brunswick (5-0): Maurice Ffrench amassed 401 all-purpose yards, Samad Davila rushed for 142 yards and Jah'bree Jeffery-Seawright passed for 123 yards in a 32-20 victory over Woodbridge. Next: at Perth Amboy, Friday, 7 p.m.

4. Old Bridge (3-2): Nick Sodano scored on a 16-yard run, Artur Sitkowski completed an 11-yard touchdown pass and Jonathan Sammarco booted a field goal for the Knights, who squandered a three-point halftime lead in a 31-17 loss at Brick Memorial. Next: at Sayreville, Friday, 7 p.m.



5. Woodbridge (4-1): Tracy Fudge completed 11 of 32 passes for 169 yards and three scores, while Quaasim Glover registered a touchdown catch and an interception in a 32-20 loss at New Brunswick. Next: Colonia, Friday, 7 p.m.

6. Sayreville (3-2): Jayson DeMild completed 5 of 7 passes for 119 yards and a score, while Michael Liberti rushed nine times for 129 yards and a touchdown in a 41-13 win over Monroe. Next: Old Bridge, Friday, 7 p.m.

7. Colonia (3-2): Chase Barneys passed for 211 yards and rushed for 74 more, while Tyler Santos caught eight passes for 118 yards and a touchdown in a 33-14 loss to Matawan. Next: at Woodbridge, Friday, 7 p.m.

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8. South Plainfield (3-1): Patrick Waldrop scored twice, Jonathan Veras blocked a punt and recovered it in the end zone for a touchdown and the Tigers made a huge goal-line stand at the end of the first half in a 25-20 win over Carteret. Next: at Bishop Ahr, Friday, 7 p.m.

9. St. Joseph (2-2): Paul Cocozziello completed 11 of 22 passes for 213 yards and four touchdowns and the Falcons posted their second consecutive shutout in a 34-0 drubbing of Perth Amboy in their first home game since November 2013. Next: Carteret, Saturday, 1 p.m.

10. Metuchen (4-1): Trevor Firgau rushed for 155 yards and Jake Lebovits passed for 80 more as the Bulldogs coasted to a 33-0 victory over Keansburg. Next: Middlesex, Saturday, 2 p.m.

GMC RANKINGS

By Chris Ryan | NJ Advance Media for NJ.com on October 12, 2015

Week 6

1-South Brunswick (4-1)

2-Piscataway (4-0)

3-New Brunswick (5-0)

4-Sayreville (3-2)

5-Old Bridge (3-2)

6-Woodbridge (4-1)

7-South Plainfield (3-1)

8-St.Joesph (Met.) (2-2)

9-Colonia (3-2)

10-Metuchen (4-1)

NJ.com/Star-Ledger Colonia at Woodbridge

By Chris Ryan | NJ Advance Media for NJ.com on October 15, 2015

We're past the halfway point of the 2015 regular season, and things are heating up in the GMC. Here is something to know around the conference heading into Week 6.



• Colonia and Woodbridge battle: The rivalry between Colonia and Woodbridge will be renewed by Colonia makes the long three-mile drive for a key White Division road game. Both teams are coming off a loss and will be looking to keep pace with New Brunswick in the standings. Woodbridge hasn't beaten its crosstown rival since 2011, and the Barrons will look to snap that threegame losing streak on their home field.

WoodbridgeFootball.com – Colonia at Woodbridge The "Bragging Rights Trophy Game"

By WoodbridgeFootball.com October 12, 2015

In the early 60's, Woodbridge Township, New Jersey realized the need for additional space for the growing population of the students in the Township. As a result,

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they built John F. Kennedy HS in 1964 and Colonia HS in 1967.

In those early years, all three schools competed against each other on the Football field. Somewhere along the line, annual games pitting Woodbridge and Kennedy were not scheduled. But, Woodbridge and Colonia continued and they have faced off every season since 1967, the year Colonia HS initially opened their doors.



2008 - Woodbridge 14 - Colonia 12

The rivalry is intense and deserved special attention each year. In 2003, Det. Dean Janowski and Sgt. Charles McDevitt, both members of the Woodbridge Police Department and parents of Woodbridge players, convinced their unions to sponsor a trophy for the annual game. The trophy was dubbed, the Woodbridge PBA / SOA "Bragging Rights" Trophy and was awarded to the winning football team at the conclusion of the game. It is engraved with the winners school name and allowed to remain in that schools possession for one year. It is retrieved by members of the Woodbridge PBA / SOA a few days before the next scheduled game, and held for presentation to the new winner. Det. Mark Zeno, Sgt. Watler Bukowski, Ptl. John Matty, and Ptlm. Tom McGovern have been the Officers who continue the tradition and make those presentations on behalf of the PBA / SOA in recent years.

The trophy was awarded for the first time to the Barrons after they defeated the Patriots 14 - 8 at Nick Priscoe Field in 2004, however, Colonia holds the overall bragging rights with a 25 - 19 - 4 W / L record, and a 749 PF - 734 PA record.

NEXT GAME: The 49th Game - Colonia Patriots at Woodbridge Barrons - Friday, October 16, 2015 - 7pm

Colonia football pulls out 27-26 win over Woodbridge

Andy Mendlowitz, Correspondent 11:33 p.m. EDT October 16, 2015

WOODBRIDGE Those bragging rights didn't come easy.

In a game with four lead changes in the second half, the Colonia High School football team pulled out a 27-26 win over Woodbridge in its annual rivalry matchup. In doing so, the Patriots earned the Woodbridge PBA's Bragging Rights trophy for the fourth season in a row. Colonia leads the all-time series 26-18-5.



2015 – Colonia 27 – Woodbridge 26

"I feel great," Colonia senior captain Solomon Manning said. "It's amazing to win. We were hungry for the win. We had two losses in a row. We had no choice but to come out with the win. It was not easy. They came out with the same intensity as us. It just came down to who's going to make the least amount of mistakes."

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The actual trophy had a football player reaching for the ball, which is appropriate because that's how Colonia (4-2), ranked No. 7 in the Home News Tribune Top 10, snagged the victory. Trailing 26-20 with under four minutes remaining, Colonia quarterback Chase Barneys connected with Manning for a 26-yard first down to Woodbridge's 40-yard line. Two plays later, Manning caught a pass in stride downfield for a 31-yard touchdown with 3:49 remaining.



Branden Ribeiro drilled the key extra point for the 27-26 lead. Manning, a 6-foot-2, 200-pound tight end, is usually tasked with blocking. He had only one other catch this season entering the game.

"They probably didn't think I was going to run the fade," Manning said. "I didn't run any fades all game. So when I ran the fade they were pretty surprised."

No. 5 Woodbridge (4-2) got the ball back, but was only able to get two short rushing gains and two incomplete passes. On fourth-and-five from the Barons' 36-yard line, Manning, also a linebacker, knocked down the pass.

The Patriots then ran out the clock out. The dagger came when Barneys completed a six-yard pass to his brother Bryce Barneys on fourth-and-six with just over a minute remaining. Woodbridge was out of time outs, and the Colonia celebration was on. Colonia had two highlight-film touchdowns. Bashir Lauderdale powered for a 64-yard touchdown run, and Tyler Santos scored on a 29-yard punt return. Both teams watched the ball roll near the sideline, and Santos scooped it up and dashed for the score. A fitting play in a wild game.

"Talk about a range of emotions," Colonia football coach Tom Roarty said. "Any time Woodbridge plays Colonia it's a big emotional game. You throw the records out. This year it's two good teams gong at each other."

Friday's game had implications for the GMC White Division race. Both teams entered a game behind New Brunswick. Additionally, precious NJSIAA postseason power points were at stake.

The charged-up crowd saw a 47-yard downfield pass from Woodbridge quarterback Tracy Fudge to Quaasim Glover on the game's first possession. From there, the expected offensive fireworks turned into a quarter of hard hits, and it was scoreless toward the middle of the second quarter.

Cue up those fireworks. In a span of just over a minute, Woodbridge held a 12-7 lead. First, Woodbridge completed an 11-play, 46-yard drive following a short punt when Keshaun Henry punched in a 1-yard touchdown run with 7:16 remaining in the quarter. Key plays on that drive included a 21-yard quarterback keeper from Tracy Fudge, and a 12-yard pass from Fudge to Henry.

On the kickoff, Woodbridge's Brandon Ramos jumped on the loose ball downfield as it rolled out of bounds. The recovery—not quite the classic onside kick—gave the Barons the balls on Colonia's 19-yard line. Henry moved the ball with an 11-yard run and a seven-yard catch. Two plays later, Fudge plowed ahead for a 1-yard touchdown for a 12-0 lead with 6:31 remaining in the quarter. After both touchdowns, Woodbridge failed to score the two-point conversion.

On the first play of Colona's possession, Lauderdale took off from the line of scrimmage and simply outran everyone for a 64-yard touchdown with 6:09 left in the quarter. Ribeiro's extra point cut the deficit to 12-7.

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Colonia took a 14-12 lead into halftime following a key special teams play. On a punt, Luke Pero forced a fumble with a hit, and teammate Brian Meco recovered the ball on Colonia's 44-yard line. Six plays later, Bryce Barneys caught a 19-yard touchdown pass from his brother with 34 seconds left in the half.

That set up the second half lead changes.



"They're an explosive team," Roarty said. "Every time we came back, they answered right away. And it was back and forth. I said to somebody during the week it might come down to whoever has the ball last. And it almost did."

COLONIA (4-2) 0-14-0-13-27

WOODBRIDGE (4-2) 0-12-6-8-26

SCORING SUMMARY

W - Henry 1 run (run failed)

W - Fudge 1 run (pass failed)

- C Lauderdale 64 run (Ribeiro kick)
- C B. Barneys 19 pass from C. Barneys (Ribeiro kick)

W – Lanier 2 run (pass failed)

C – Santos 29 punt return (kick failed)

W – Modica 40 pass from Fudge (Glover pass from Fudge)

C – Manning 31 pass from C. Barneys (Ribeiro kick)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing -

C: Lauderdale 13-82, C. Barneys 12-64, B. Barneys 1-0; W: Henry 27-100, Fudge 11-25, Lanier 6-21.

Passing - C: C. Barneys 8-19-0-118; W: Fudge 13-20-0-182.

Receiving - C: Manning 2-57, B. Barneys 3-40, Santos 4-21; W: Glover 3-96, Modica 1-40, Lanier 5-29, Henry 4-17.

Colonia perseveres for crucial road win over rival Woodbridge

By Chris Ryan | NJ Advance Media for NJ.com on October 17, 2015 8:13 AM

WOODBRIDGE - Coming into its biggest rivalry game against Woodbridge, not everything was breaking Colonia's way. Two straight losses dropped Colonia to 3-2, and it needed to go on the road to try and snap that skid against a 4-1 Woodbridge team.

The adversity continued throughout the game, with Colonia falling behind early. Colonia took the lead twice but saw Woodbridge take it right back both times. But even through all that, Colonia found a way, using a game-winning touchdown by Solomon Manning with 3:49 left to give Colonia its fourth straight win over Woodbridge, 27-26, on Friday night.

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Colonia erased deficits three separate times on Friday night, capped by the game-winning drive late in the fourth quarter. Manning, who didn't get one target prior to that drive, caught two passes for 57 yards, including the 31-yard touchdown from Chase Barneys.

"I'm always prepared in practice to catch the ball, even though I don't get it that much," Manning said. "The defender was jammed up on me, so I gave him a quick step inside to make him think I was running a slant, and I just ran right past him to the outside. I looked up and the ball was right there."

The touchdown came on a wheel route, with Manning creating space along the sideline. Barneys delivered a perfectly-placed ball, allowing Manning to break free from his defender and score the easy touchdown. With Manning's 6-1, 196-pound frame, Barneys knew he just had to give him a chance to make a play.

WOODBRIDGE - Solomon Manning was quiet on the offensive side of the ball through the first three quarters for Colonia on Friday night, but with his team down, Manning stepped up in a big way.



Manning caught two passes on the game's decisive drive, including a 31-yard game-winning touchdown from Chase Barneys with 3:49 to play, lifting Colonia to a 27-26 victory over Woodbridge in Woodbridge. One final defensive stand and a fourth-down conversion allowed Colonia to close out the win, capping a back and forth game that saw Colonia erase three different deficits.

After the game went more than 16 minutes without a score, the two teams broke out for three touchdowns in a 67-second stretch in the second quarter. Keshaun Henry capped a Woodbridge drive with a one yard touchdown run, and the Barrons got the ball back on the ensuing kickoff when the kick stayed in along the sideline, allowing Isaiah Esposito to dive on it at the

Colonia 19-yard line.



Tracy Fudge ended a four-play drive when he sneaked in a one-yard run for a 12-0 Woodbridge lead. The Barrons failed on two two-point conversations.

Colonia's offense came to life when Bashir Lauderdale broke off a 63-yard touchdown run on the team's next play from scrimmage, pulling Colonia within 12-7.

Looking to take the lead late in the first half, Colonia got the ball at its own 25, before the Patriots were forced to punt after a three and out. But a fumble on the punt return was recovered by Colonia's Brian Meco, giving the Patriots another shot with less than 90 seconds before the break.

Chase Barneys used his arm and legs to get Colonia in the red zone, and he then connected with his brother,

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Bryce Barneys, for a 19-yard touchdown on a short curl route with 34 seconds left in the half, putting Colonia ahead 14-12.

The teams traded touchdowns throughout the second half. Woodbridge retook the lead in the third quarter on a two-yard Nathan Lanier run, then Colonia jumped back on top in the fourth when Tyler Santos ran a punt back 27 yards for a touchdown. The punt landed in front of the Colonia bench, but no Woodbridge player downed it, allowing Santos to scoop it and race down the left sideline for a 20-18 lead.



Woodbridge struck once more with 8:44 left when Fudge hit James Modica in stride for a 40-yard touchdown. A two-point conversion pass to Quaasim Glover made it 26-20.

Don't be fooled by the Power Point totals.

Climbing out of the hole is job #1

By WoodbridgeFootball.com October 18, 2015 5pm

Well, the hole has been dug. It doesn't matter who, what, where or why. The hole is there and the Barrons are sitting in it. Nothing can be done to change the past and it doesn't help pointing fingers. You live or die together.

When a baby fills his diaper, the job is to clean it. That time is now.

There are two games left on the schedule that will either eliminate the Woodbridge Football program from the NJ2-G4 Playoffs, or propel them into a mid-level berth.

This Friday, October 23, 2015 at 7pm, the cleanup begins when the Barrons travel to South Plainfield for the first game. It is a GMC White Conference game, and the Tigers are sporting a 4-1 season record. They score points in bunches and are stingy giving them up.

The second game is inconsequential. The focus is South Plainfield. Period. One play at the time, one series at a time, one quarter at a time, until, you accomplish the goal of walking away with more points than your opponent.

The easy part of the season is long gone. This is big boy HS football now. Buckle up!