

Bramble Rambles For 141 Yards To Lead Jayvees

Kyly Bramble gave opposing defenses fits while rushing for the Highlanders. Now college coaches are getting a taste of what Hoosier Hills Conference coaches experienced.

Bramble, who is a freshman tailback at Dartmouth College carried 16 times for 141 yards and two touchdowns Sunday to help his team's junior varsity erase a 10-0 halftime deficit and post a 21-10 win over the Williams jayvees on Memorial Field.

The Big Green scored on three consecutive possessions spanning the third and fourth quarters to improve to 2-0.

Dartmouth's first touchdown came on an eight-play, 76-yard drive set up when Thomas Militello found Daniel Gorman for 38 yards down the right sideline. After a pass interference call on a pass into the end zone intended for Gorman moved the ball to the 4, Bramble got the points when he broke left, got a block from tight end Garrett Schmidt and then outraced the last defender to the pylon. With RC Willenbrock's kick it was 10-7 with 2:15 left in the third period.

The Big Green's second score came after Will Konstant picked off a deflected pass at the Dartmouth 11 and returned the ball 55 yards up the left sideline to the 34. Three plays later Bramble burst over left tackle from the 4 to give Dartmouth its first lead, 14-7.

The final points of the afternoon came after Williams drove from its own 30 to the Dartmouth 48. On fourth and one, Big Green lineman Jacob Flores batted a pass down at the line to return the ball to the home team near midfield.

Relying entirely on the run game, Dartmouth proceeded to march the ball to the 1, lost five yards on a penalty and then salted the game away when quarterback Ernest Evans plowed in from the 6 with a second-effort burst with 2:31 remaining.

Williams' last gasp ended at the Big Green 34 when KJ Booze and David Caldwell blanketed the intended receiver on a fourth-and-six pass and Dartmouth "kneeled" out the clock.

Bramble, the leading rusher in the state of Indiana last year, had runs of 25 and 23 yards on the afternoon with half of his 16 carries going for double figures.

Evans ran five times for 35 yards out of the quarterback slot while Marc Sasso added 32 yards on five carries and Cody Patch 22 yards on four runs. Dartmouth piled up 240 yards on the ground.

On a misty, wet day when the Big Green was plagued by dropped passes, Militello completed 6-of-17 throws for 113 yards.

Gorman, who laid out to make a highlight-reel diving grab for 30 yards of a Militello pass in the first half, led Dartmouth with three catches for 77 yards. He also punted once for 47 yards. Clay Robbins caught two balls for 25 and Joe Dowdell one for 11.

Paddy Clancy returned an interception 31 yards to end a Williams threat to start the second half.

In addition to his interception, Konstant matched linebacker Zach Slafsky for team honors with

eight tackles. Evan Bloom had five stops including a big sack and Ben Ticknor also made five tackles. Keith Hamren's four stops included a sack.