

Pirates fall at Brownstown Central in Sectional Championship

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The Pirates of Charlestown traveled to Brownstown Central last Friday night to defend their 2012 Sectional Championship. Charlestown was also out to avenge an earlier season loss to the Braves, 40-26, in week two of the regular season on August 30.

The Pirate faithful answered the call to fill the stands to cheer on their Pirates and show their Blue Pride!

The homestanding Braves (12-0) started quick and scored on 10-of-13 possessions. Charlestown did not find the scoreboard until the final stanza of play as Brownstown Central took the 62-6 victory for the Class 3A Sectional 31 championship.

The Braves started the game on offense. Brownstown Central marched down the field before the Charlestown defense stood their ground and forced a field goal on the Braves' first two possessions. Braves junior kicker Skyler Lewis nailed both field goals. The field goals would be the only scores in the first quarter of play as Brownstown held the early 6-0 lead heading into the second period of play.

Brownstown added 21 points in the second quarter as Jacob Wilson, Mitchell Grider and Kyle Jensen found the goal line. Braves junior quarterback Clay Brown threw two touchdown passes (to Grider and Jensen) in the 12 minute period. Lewis added the extra points as he went a perfect 8-for-8 for the evening.

The Braves held the 27-0 lead heading into the halftime break.

Brownstown Central would again add 21 points in the third stanza. The Braves recorded touchdowns from Caleb Wischmeier, Jensen and Grider. Brown hit Grider for the 36 yard touchdown pass at the 4:17 mark in the stanza which would prove to be the last score of the quarter.

The Braves held the 48-0 lead heading into the final quarter of play.

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The Braves continued their offense as Filippo Lippi-Hutcheson found the endzone from two yards out at the 11:31 mark. Lippi-Hutcheson finished the scoring for Brownstown Central at the 5:38 mark as he scampered to the goal line from 41 yards out.

Charlestown found the scoreboard in between the Braves' scores in the final quarter. Pirate junior quarterback Tristan Chester hooked up with classmate Hunter Crace for a 16 yard touchdown strike. The two point conversion was no good at the 8:09 mark of the ballgame.

The Braves would take the 62-6 win to claim the Class 3A Sectional 31 crown.

Charlestown was led by Cameron Hopson with 47 yards on seven carries followed by Matt Myers with 25 yards on 12 carries. Jarren Anderson tallied 22 yards on four carries.

Pirate Tristan Chester completed 11-of-22 passing for 153 yards and one touchdown with three interceptions.

Charlestown's Alex Smith recorded five catches for 73 yards. Hunter Crace grabbed five passes for 56 yards and one touchdown. Tate Bolley recorded one catch for 24 yards.

Brownstown's Filippo Lippi-Hutcheson tallied nine carries for 81 yards and two touchdowns while Noah Cotten added nine rushes for 66 yards. Caleb Wischmeier recorded four carries for 41 yards and one touchdown.

Braves' Clay Brown completed 15-of-20 passes for 286 yards and three touchdowns. Mitchell Grider caught four passes for 102 yards and two touchdowns while Kyle Jensen recorded three catches for 58 yards.

Charlestown recorded 105 rushing yards and 153 passing yards for 258 total yards.

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Brownstown Central recorded 203 rushing yards and 286 passing yards for 489 total yards.

Charlestown finished the season 8-4 overall and 7-1 in the Mid Southern Conference, finishing second to Brownstown.

The Braves will compete for the Regional crown on Friday as they travel to Gibson Southern (12-0). Kick off is set for 8 p.m.