

NEWS: STRONG FIRST HALF LIFTS TIGERS OVER KENNETT, 21-3

The 2007 edition of the Marple Newtown Tigers squad didn't waste any time as the offense managed to find the end zone of the first offensive possession of the year. The Tigers would add two more first half touchdowns and build a 21-3 lead over Kennett at halftime. Several turnovers and penalties halted a few promising second half drives, but the defense remained rock solid and posted a shutout for the final half.

Senior running backs John Rutecki and John Gallagher paced the Tigers offense. Gallagher struck first for the Tigers, followed by a John Rutecki touchdown run. Quarterback Steve Giordano completed a key third down pass to split end Brandon Rook in his starting debut at quarterback.

Jay Trio and Pete Massaro controlled the line of scrimmage for the majority of the evening. Linebackers Kenny Clark and Dan Giordano also had several key stops for the Tigers defense. Safety John Rutecki picked off an errant pass in the second half, but the Tigers were unable to score on the drive.

Next up for the Tigers (1-0, 0-0) is a visit to Upper Darby (1-0, 0-0) to battle the Royals. Upper Darby has won the last two meetings between the teams. The contest will begin at 7:00 PM.

GAME STATS

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