

EAGLES *FOOTBALL* GRIDIRON NEWS

Eagles soar over

Laredo Cigarroa Toros 35 to 7

Eagles Defense records a pair of Int's

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The mighty Eagle Pass Eagles varsity football team under the leadership of head coach Tom Gonzalez returned to their gridiron battles this coming Friday, September 8, 2017 where they hosted the Laredo Cigarroa Toros in their 2017 season home opener with a 7:30 PM non-district matchup at the Eagle Pass SD Student Activity Center Cozel Foster-Veterans Memorial Stadium.

This game was designated as Parents night with the Eagles players paying tribute to their respective parents during pregame festivities. The home standing Eagles utilized a stingy defensive attack as well as a well balanced offensive game scheme to secure their first victory of the season with a 35 to7 victory over the visiting Toros.

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The swarming Eagle Pass Eagles defense set the tone for this contest early in the first quarter when standout linebacker David Kypuros intercepted a Laredo Cigarroa pass attempt and returned it 66 yards to pay dirt for an apparent touchdown but the touchdown was nullified by a penalty but none the less the Eagles now had the ball at the own 47-yard line.

The Eagles offense took over and immediately showcased their one-two running duo of quarterback Richie Luna and tailback Dee Andre Torres and also employed the services of the sure handed quartet of receivers in Albert Guevara, David Lopez, Oscar Castillon as well as Dee Andre Torres out of the backfield to orchestrate a 53 yard scoring drive capped off with a 12 yard touchdown pass from Richie Luna to his tall and quite elusive wide receiver Albert Guevara with 1:34 showing on the stadium clock. Jose Riojas tacked o the point after to give the Eagles the early 7 to 0 lead over the Toros.

The visiting Cigarroa Toros' second offensive series of the game saw them drive from their own 37-yard line all the way to the Eagle Pass 10-yard line where the Eagles defense buckled down and forced the Toros to attempt a 27-yard field which sailed wide left of its mark.

The Eagles offense supported by a good-sized Legion of Eagles faithful in attendance went right back to work manufacturing a well-balanced attack mixing their running game and aerial game to march down the field to complete an 80-yard scoring drive with a one-yard plunge into the end zone by work horse running back Dee Andre Torres with 4:38 remaining in the first half. The point after attempt was no good but the Eagles now held a 13 to 0 lead over the Toros.

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Late in the first half the Laredo Cigarroa Toros engineered their only scoring drive the night showcasing the short passing game to go along with the running of their workhorse running back Isaac Solis by the 75-yard scoring drive culminated with a 7-yard pass from Toros quarterback Freddy Sepulveda to fullback Jesus Salazar with only 47 seconds left before halftime. Toros' placekicker Mario Perez converted the point after attempt to narrow the Eagles lead to 13 to 7 at the end of the first half.

In the second half, the Eagles offense continued their quick tempo ball control scheme that paid off with a 52-yard scoring drive that was punctuated with a two-yard keeper by starting quarterback Riche Luna with 1:10 showing on the clock. Luna then connected with his tall sure handed wide receiver Rey Mendoza to tack on a two-point conversion to extend the Eagles lead to 21 to 7.

The Eagles offense made quick work of their next scoring drive capping of the 37-yard scoring drive with a 4-yard carry to pay dirt by tailback Dee Andre Torres with 10:42 remaining in the fourth quarter, Jose Riojas split the uprights with the point after to extend the Eagles lead to 28 to 7 over the Toros.

Late in the game the Cigarroa Toros orchestrated what seemed to be a promising drive but it was only fitting that the hard-hitting Eagles defense finally get into the scoring column after being so close earlier in the game. Toros quarterback Freddy Sepulveda's pass attempt deep in Eagles territory was intercepted by defensive back Kristian Barcena who returned the pigskin

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86 yards to the promise land with a sensational return down the right sideline picking up key block from his fellow teammates along the way, Eagles' place kicker Jose Riojas closed out the scoring on the night successfully converting the point after to give the Eagles the well earned 35 to 7 victory over the Laredo Cigarroa Toros.

The victory as a total team effort with the Eagles offense getting over 100 yards rushing from their featured running back Dee Andre Torres, over 200 yards passing from signal caller Richie Luna as well as timely and clutch receiving from Albert Guevara, David Lopez and Oscar Castillon coupled with solid play from the Eagles defensive secondary unit of Jacob Jimenez, Raul Lechler, Ryan Chisum, Armando Monsivais and crew along with the defensive front seven the likes of Sebastian Hernandez, Moises Rocha, Mario Torres, David Kypuros, Roger Ulloa, Haran Rodriguez and company

OFFICIAL GAME TEAM STATS:

EAGLES OPPONENT

First Downs	17	15
Att./ Yds. Rushing	29/128	37/98
Yards Passing	204	174

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Total Yards 332 272

Pass att./comp./int's 22/28/1 15/25/3

Return Yards 96 0

Punts /Avg. 1/36.0 3/26.6

Fumbles/Lost 1/1 0/0

Penalties/Yards 10/95 5/35

OFFICIAL INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE STATS:

PASSING:

#10 Richie Luna 22 comp. 28 att. 204 yds. 1TD

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RUSHING:

#8 Dee Andre Torres 20 carries 106 yds. 2TD's

#10 Richie Luna 9 carries 22 yds. 1TD.

RECEIVING:

#2 Albert Guevara 5 rec. 78 yds. 1TD

#8 Dee Andre Torres 5 rec. 35 yds.

#13 David Lopez 4 rec. 32 yds.

#80 Rey Mendoza 1 rec. 3 yds.

#88 Oscar Castillon 7 rec. 56 yds.

OFFICIAL INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE STATS:

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#25 David Kypuros 6 tackles 3 assists 2 tackles for a loss 2 QB Sacks 1 interception

Co-defensive Player of the Week

#50 Roger Ulloa 3 tackles 7assists

#7 Haran Rodriguez 5 tackles 6 assists 1 tackle for a loss

#56 Sebastian Hernandez 4 tackles 6 assists 1 tackle for a loss

Co-defensive Player of the Week

#44 Moises Rocha 2 tackles 7 assists 2 tackles for a loss

#14 Kristian Barcena 5 tackles 1 assist 1 interception return for a TD

#23 Armando Monsivais 2 tackles 4 assists 1 tackle for a loss 1 QB Sack

#3 Eric Heredia 4 tackles 1 assist

#8 Raul Lechler 4 tackles

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#1 Ryan Chisum 4 tackles

#32 Mario Torres 3 tackles 1 assist 1 tackle for a loss 1 QBSack

#52 Raul Olivas 1 tackle