

Cox carries on Reb Crying Towel tradition

By BRUCE BROWN
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There is tradition, and then there is tradition. If you're looking for football tradition with a different twist, you are hereby referred to Teurlings High School.

When the Kiwanis Club Football Jamboree stages its annual Crying Towel luncheon, the head coach of the Rebels has always been there swinging until the final vote of the judges.

First there was Charles "Tad" Tatman, a standup act hard to follow but, apparently, not impossible. Tatman was a runaway winner of the coveted Jewel one year, and in fact set a high standard for others to follow.

When Tatman left, Bobby Green took up the torch and held it high for the Rebels, telling enough tall tales and offbeat reports on his players to take the towel back to Teurlings once again.

Green, in time, went across town to join the USL Ragin' Cajons as an assistant coach, and who should step bravely into the breach but former Teurlings player Tommy Bladon. Last year was Bladon's time in the spotlight, and he carried the day in typical T.H.S. fashion.

It's another year, and another football season begins Thursday with the eight-team jamboree, but some things never change. If it's Kiwanis Jamboree time, it must be time for a Teurlings coach to shed the most tears.

Bruce Cox handled the pressure well Tuesday, giving his school enough crying towels to outfit the training room.

"I'm happy to be here," Cox told the luncheon crowd. "Anytime you can get out of five algebra, and get a free meal, that's a good deal." As usual with the winning coach, though, that was one of the last positive things Cox had to say.

"It's tough when your main strength is that you try hard," he said. "We're a double-A school, and we've got little kids. You know those little holes in the top of the helmet? We had to tape up four of our helmets so our kids wouldn't slip through."

"We had kids running around with their helmets around their ankles, and still managed to beat the defensive backs down the field. That's tough when you're small to begin with. Our game pants haven't come in yet, and the salesman who was by said we should just take the stripes and wrap it around our players' legs."

"Everybody wants us for their homecoming game," he added. "And, we have two coming to our place who asked if they could have homecoming at our field. I guess we'll just take our (homecoming parade) float with us behind the bus."

Both Green (as head coach) and Bladon (as an assistant) are at Lafayette High this year, a circumstance that should add spice to the Lafayette-Teurlings game which kicks off Thursday night's card at 7 p.m. at Northside High School.

"The bad news is, we were 2-6 last year," said Green. "The good news is, there were 23 seniors last season. I don't mind starting the season with

unknowns, what I mind is finishing it with them. The only difference between me and Carter and the 7th Colvars is that I have to watch the films afterward."

"Our quarterback," Green added, "doesn't like to exercise. I asked him what was going to happen when he got old, and whether he didn't want to stay in shape, and he said, 'Heck no, when I die I want to be sick, Coach.'"

"We gave him our pre-tests and there was one question that asked how old someone would be if they were born in 1920. He put, 'Male or female?' asked to define 'vacuum,' he said, 'A big empty place where the Pope lives.'"

The second game Thursday night features Northside High against New Iberia.

"We've been having a hard time with game films," said NISH Coach Wylie Pratz. "We're trying to follow (Northside halfback) P.D. Broussard on film, and he's just a little blur. So, we've gone down to Patterson Net Company and we're going to put a net over him."

Northside Coach Doug Duhon conducted similar pre-tests as Green did with his athletes.

"We asked our players to name their church preference," said Duhon, "and one said 'red brick.' For race, one put '100-yard dash.' For route you'd like to take to college, one put 'L-10.' We gave them some definitions. For scoring, we got 'what you get from wearing a tight shoe; for afford, we got 'a well-known car; for adore, 'how to get into a house; for 'catchup,' 'What the last runner in a race is trying to do,' and for 'normalize,' '20-20 vision.'"

"We lost heavily in the offensive line, and we're small," Duhon added. "We found somebody, though. In a scrimmage last week, he was responsible for two sacks, three fumbles, two interceptions, and two blocked kicks. Next week we're moving him to defense."

Comeaux and St. Thomas More start Friday night's action at Acadiana High, to be followed by Acadiana and Carencro.

"We had a team meeting the other day," said Comeaux Coach Bobby Banna, "and I held up the ball and said, 'This is a football.' One of our players said, 'Could you slow down, Coach?' One of our players was taking a true-false test, and he was flipping a coin for each question. Thirty minutes after everyone else was finished, the teacher noticed he was still there flipping the coin. She asked him why he wasn't finished, and he said he was just checking his answers."

New St. Thomas More Coach Jim Hightower labeled himself as a positive thinker.

"I think I'll see out at \$28 a barrel in my lifetime," he said. "And I think the Saints will have a winning season. ... heck, I moved to Lafayette in June."

Hightower also noted the difference between rural players at Catholic Pointe Coupee in New Roads and at STM. "In New Roads," he said, "we had players miss practice because they had to ride a tractor all day. Here, we have players miss because they're in a fashion show."

"We have the only blocking dummies in the parish," he said, "that have award stickers on them for big hits."

Acadiana Coach Bill Dotson was first to speak Tuesday, a spot he enjoyed.

"Thank you for the applause," he said. "It may be the last time we're first in anything this year."

"It's nice to see the officials here," he added. "I see Errol Benoit out there. Of course, he can't see me."

Carencro Coach Pat Kee also jabbed the zebras, saying, "I'd really like to thank the officials. You really help our attitude - we can call you names we couldn't possibly call our wives."

"We have a player from Dusen who has livestock responsibilities at home," said Dotson. "All our players have been having problems with leg cramps because of the heat, so I asked this one player how his calves were and he said, 'Oh, they're fine. Coach. My dad's taking care of them in the morning, and a cousin's doing it in the afternoon.'"

Kee, who said one of his players went to see a hand reader and was only charged half-price, said "I was asked who I was happiest to see return this year and I said, 'Me.'"

Prep football has returned with its usual flourish.



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Rebel Coach Bruce Cox Crying Towel winner

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New-look Teurlings Rebels will rely on veteran stars

The Teurlings Rebels struggled through the 1985 season in what most observers might term a "rebuilding year." Finishing the campaign with a 1-6 overall record and a 1-3 district 5-AA competition.

The task of improving on last season's numbers will be the job of first-year Head Coach Bruce Cox. The new Rebel number one has the club has the material it takes to be a winner, with experienced players returning at key positions.

"It helps to have veterans on a team," Cox said. "Seniors lay it on the line because they know it's their last year to play."

Cox admits a club poised for revamping the winning tradition built at Teurlings in the early 60's.

The main cog in Cox's offense machine will be senior quarterback



The Teurlings Rebels. (L-R) Murphy and Morphy.

Rebel braintrust

The task of getting the Teurlings Rebels back to the playoffs for the first time since 1978 is the mission of head coach Bruce Cox. The Rebels' braintrust is made up of seniors and juniors.

Murphy, a senior, has the offense. A junior, Tom Morphy, will guide the Rebels into the playoffs. The Rebels' braintrust is made up of seniors and juniors.

DISTRICT 5-AA		
TEURLINGS REBELS		
SEPTEMBER		
3	BOULAX BRIDGE	H
12	St. Louis	A
19	ST. THOMAS MORE	H
26	Creola	A
OCTOBER		
3	Central Catholic	A
10	St. Mary	H
17	Church Point	A
24	DOTA	H
31	Notre Dame	A
NOVEMBER		
7	OPHELIASS CATHOLIC	H

George Murphy. Cox knows he has a balanced offensive attack, but he knows that with the services of a strong armed QB like Murphy, he'll be 125. St. that his team can strike at any time, in any point of the field.

"We will throw the ball, but I'd rather be balanced," Cox said of his offensive plan. "We will try to be as balanced as we can be offensively. A lot will depend on field position, naturally, but we won't necessarily be a pass oriented team."

Murphy won't be the only offensive threat for the Rebels. Receivers Jeff Dehommie (right end) and Darius Grosse (tight end) will offer Murphy a couple of top-notch receivers to threaten defenses with. Dehommie (5'8, 160, Sr.), a speedster who covers the 40 yard

dash in 4.5 seconds, has good hands and is a 32 yard sprinter. He will be a key player in the Rebels' offense. He will be a key player in the Rebels' offense. He will be a key player in the Rebels' offense.

Cox will have an experienced backfield to help Murphy. Jay Dominguez (5'10, 160, Sr.) will handle the fullback chores, with Ray Rachal (5'8, 180, Sr.) and Scott Deaton (5'10, 170, Sr.) taking the half from the running back position.

"Our offensive line has been working real hard during the spring and fall drills," Cox pointed out. "We have good average size up front and I feel that we can run the ball behind any of these guys."

Jason Vige (5'8, 220, Sr.) and Gerard Cullier (6'2, 210, Sr.) will line

up on offense as tackle, with Alvin Young (5'10, 210, Jr.) and Tim Long (6'0, 210, Jr.) lining up on the right side. Murphy's offensive line is made up of seniors and juniors.

"We'll be in a defensive mode when we play," Cox said of his defense. "The defense of the Rebels is a lot less experienced than the offense corps."

However, according to Cox, the defense has come a long way since spring practice.

The Rebels played a lot of zone and wait to see defense in the past few things will be different in '86. "We will play an attacking type defense. We plan on going after the ball on every play, be it the run or pass," noted Cox.

"We have some really strong kids up front and we will definitely be attacking offenses."

Teurlings will have plenty of experience in the defensive backfield with an all-senior corps returning. The defensive front line will feature a mixture of experience and good size, while the only question mark of Cox on defense will be at linebacker.

The senior defensive backfield will be composed of three, both ways performers: Treaton, Rachal, and Dehommie. Also playing on both sides of the position will be Grosse and Dupuis at tight end, while the defensive line will have offensive starters Ardian and Vige holding down the tackle positions.

The only real problem for Cox on defense will be at linebacker, since the Rebels "don't have a kid that played linebacker before" starting for Teurlings.

The four newcomers to the linebacker corps are Mark Lantry (5'8, 160, Jr.), Tim Shuren (5'8, 170, Jr.), Keith Porter (5'8, 160, Jr.) and Jay Dominguez (5'8, 160, Sr.).

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Rebels, Jackets get Kiwanis victories

By PHILIP TIMOTHY
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Jamborees usually don't show much, but Thursday night's 35th Annual Kiwanis Jamb at Viking field did reveal several things about four of Lafayette's schools.

- Teurlings Catholic's George Murphy is going to be a viable force to reckon with this coming season.
- If you are a defender and happen to blink, Northside's P.D. Broussard is going to go motoring on by.
- Lafayette and Northside High DO face major rebuilding years and.
- New Iberia High School still plays tough defense and appears to have depth at the running back positions.

And just for the fans who like to point to the scoreboard and brag, Teurlings Catholic and New Iberia High School were the winners. Teurlings Catholic downed Lafayette High 14-7 while New Iberia shut out Northside's Vikings 14-0.

TEURLINGS 14, LAFAYETTE 7

Teurling's Bruce Cox may have won the annual crying towel at the jamboree kickoff luncheon, but he had nothing to cry about Thursday night as his Rebels dominated Lafayette.

Cox, though, did catch his breath when standout quarterback Murphy came limping off the field. With under two minutes to play in the first half, Murphy limped to the sideline after throwing a block for teammate Jeff Delhomme, who was returning a Tommy Guerrero interception to the Lions' 22 yardline.

A quick examination showed Murphy needed only retaping, but Cox would not allow him to return. Reserve quarterback Jay Domingeaux came on to hit tight end Darnion Grossie with a perfect strike for the score. Murphy was able to kick the PAT which gave Teurlings a 7-0 lead with just 29 seconds left in the half.

The Rebels gave Lafayette their golden opportunity in the early minutes of the second half when punter Paul Zimmerman had to fall on a high snap at his own five yard line.

Guerrero took the ball in on the Lions' second attempt and Curt Comeaux kicked the PAT to tie the game at seven.

With a recovered Murphy leading the way, Teurlings answered the Lions with a score of its own. Speedster Carl Rachal took a pitch from Murphy, scooted around end and flashed by two would-be tacklers enroute to a 56-yard scoring scamper. Murphy's kick was good to make it 14-7.

Lafayette mounted one last serious threat which consumed some

TONIGHT'S GAMES ACADIANA HIGH SCHOOL

- St. Thomas More vs. Comeaux High
- Carriere High vs. Acadiana High

14 plays, and 1:52 off the clock, but produced nothing. Teurlings' Scott Deaton made a terrific play as he batted the ball away in the back of the end zone to stop the Lafayette threat.

Teurlings finished with almost a 2:1 statistical advantage. The Rebels had an 8-4 edge in first downs and a 205-94 gain in total offense.

NEW IBERIA 14, NORTHSIDE 0

The long-awaited "P.D. Broussard Show" never materialized Thursday as the New Iberia Yellow Jackets came prepared. The Viking superstar managed just 66 yards on 13 carries as New Iberia defenders dogged him every step of the way.

Jacket running backs did not have the same problem as they managed to rush for 279 yards on the night and record 15 first downs. Leading the offensive show were Marshall Coleman and Chris Walker. Coleman had 111 yards on just 16 carries while teammate Walker finished the night with 164 yards on seven carries.

Walker scored New Iberia's first touchdown with 1:13 left in the first half when he broke straight up the middle for 13 yards on a simple trap play. Van Ray Alexander fisted through the PAT to make it 7-0.

NIHS's Corey Raymond, the defensive standout of the night, picked off Northside's Joseph Antoine two minutes later to set up NIHS's second scoring drive. Raymond on the night had an interception, a fumble recovery and two pass break ups.

Five plays later, as the last seconds ticked off the clock, Corey Sorrel taught off a Northside defender and hit tight end Tracy Faselier, who side step a tackle to walk into the end zone. Alexander's PAT made it 14-0 at the end of the first half.

The New Iberia defense with a two touchdown lead took over from that point and shut down Northside for much of the second half.

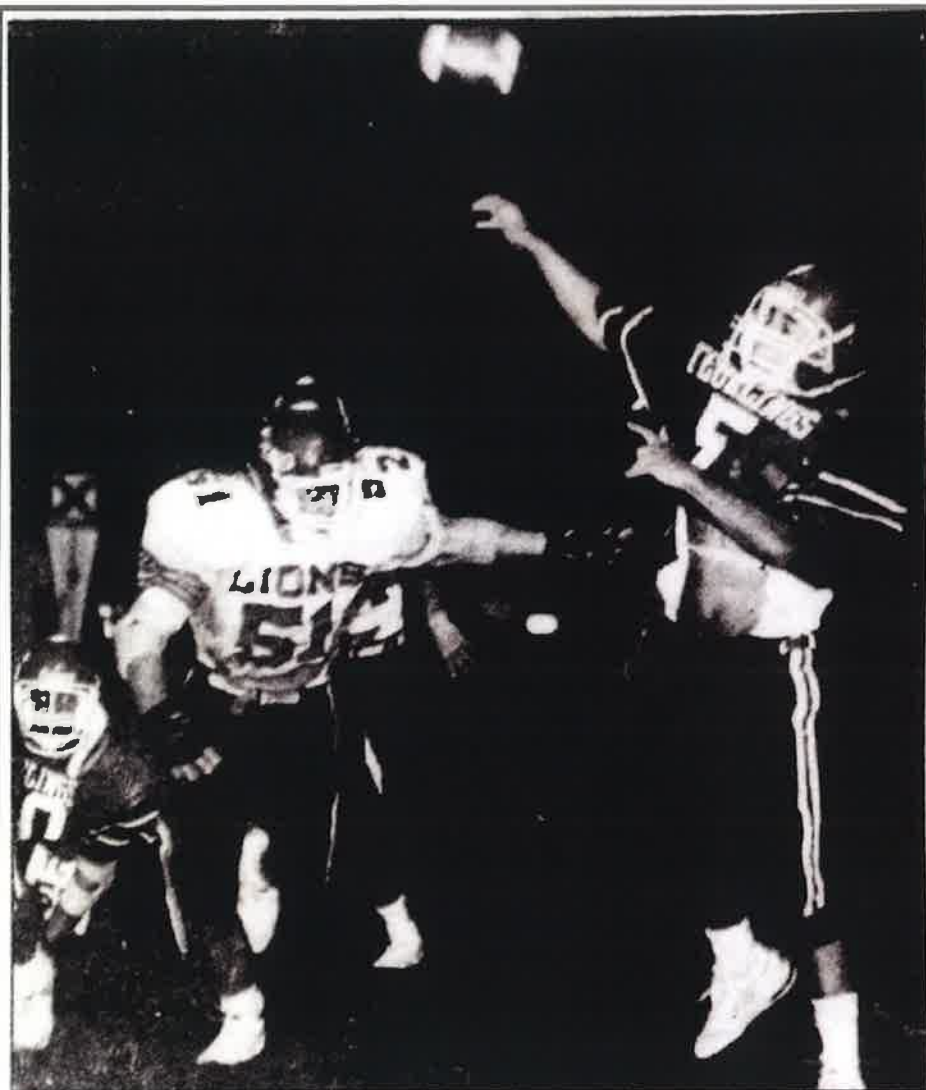
Teurlings Catholic's Carl Rachal, Lafayette's Terry Kiehn, NIHS Walker and Northside's Antoine were named Most Valuable Players out of the two games by members of the Kiwanis Club.



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Rebel leader

Teurlings quarterback George Murphy (5) launches a pass against Lafayette High during Kiwanis Jamboree action Thurs-

day night at Northside. Murphy led the Rebels to a 14-7 victory over the Lions.



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Top 40 list showcases best players in area

By PHILIP TIMOTHY
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Football is certainly a team sport, but each year there are those select few whose outstanding play earns them the label "impact players."

The sports staff of *The Daily Advertiser* has chosen 40 such Acadiana athletes because of the impact they will make this season for their respective teams. The staff calls this group of impact players, "The Top 40 Hit List."

The "Top 40" includes a number of athletes who are being courted heavily by area college and universities, but this is not a recruiting roundup. This list is designed only to highlight those players whose play will make an impact.

Opelousas High School (the preseason 5-AAAA favorite) leads up the team with five "impact players" while Teurlings Catholic, and NISH each placed three on the list.

To simply say the Tigers are loaded would be ludicrous. OHS could send its team, en masse, to some college ready to start playing.

At a recent scrimmage with Barbe, they scored nine times. So, it only seemed logical that three of their starting backfield would head up the Opelousas contingent on the "Top 40." Quarterback Travis Van Wright (6-1, 185 Sr.), running back Reggie Austin (5-10, 170 Jr.) and receiver Robert Arvie (6-3, 195, Sr.) make up a potent offensive trio.

Wright, as a junior, completed 46 of 129 passes for 705 yards and six touchdowns — with most key ones going to Arvie (17-339-4) — while Austin rounded out the Tigers' offensive showcase by rushing for 627 yards and three touchdowns.

Senior Cleveland Thomas (6-3, 255, Sr.) heads up a tremendously large offensive line which averages 238 pounds per man. The fifth Tiger to make the dream team is linebacker Andre Carron, (6-1, 190, Sr.). Carron, a strongside linebacker, made 108 tackles in 1985 including 75 solo stops and somehow was ignored for All-District honors.

Opelousas has some large linemen, but honors for the largest lineman on the "Top 40" goes to Sunset High's Mike LaComb (6-2, 312). LaComb, who is still growing, 'anchors' the Lions' offensive and defensive lines. Smallest player honors has to go to Plaisance's Marvin Manuel (5-5, 136, soph) at wide receiver.

Teurlings Catholic quarterback George Murphy, running back Carl Rachal and linebacker-running back Jay Domengeaux form a potent trio at Teurlings. All three starred in Thursday night's 14-7 win over Lafayette High.

Rachal, who was named Most Valuable in the Player in the jamboree, rushed just eight times for 125 yards and scored on a 56-yard run.

Domengeaux, who was filling in for an injured Murphy, threw 17 yards to Damion Grossie for Teurlings' first touchdown of the night. Domengeaux was also the leading tackler for the Rebels on the night.

Murphy, who was forced to leave for the final minute and half of the scrimmage, ran the Rebels' offense to perfection as Teurlings rolled up 205 yards in total offense on the night.

Two more Thursday night jamboree participants, New Iberia and Northside, showcased five "Top 40"

(See Top 40, page 4B)

Prep's Top 40 Hit List

QUARTERBACKS

PLAYER, SCHOOL	HT	WT	CL
James Freeman, Ville Platte	6-3	170	JR
Scott Fruge, Eunice	5-7	150	SR
George Murphy, Teurlings	6-2	195	SR
Travis Van Wright, Opelousas	6-1	185	SR

RUNNING BACKS

PLAYER, SCHOOL	HT	WT	CL
Derwin Antoine, Loreauville	5-10	165	JR
Reggie Austin, Opelousas	5-10	170	JR
P.D. Broussard, Northside	5-11	170	SR
Ronald Dubon, Acadiana	5-10	165	SR
Geoff LeJeune, E.D. White	5-10	175	SR
Darrell Prejean, Comeaux	5-11	210	SR
Carl Rachal, Teurlings	5-9	190	SR

RECEIVERS

PLAYER, SCHOOL	HT	WT	CL
Robert Arvie, Opelousas	6-3	195	SR
Marvin Manuel, Plaisance	5-5	136	SO
Ferniet Martin, Comeaux	5-11	165	SR
Jason Mowatt, Kaplan	5-11	180	SR
Chaz Newman, Plaisance	6-1	190	SO
Lance Rodriguez, Hanson	6-1	190	SR

LINEBACKERS

PLAYER, SCHOOL	HT	WT	CL
Troy Hardy, Cecilia	6-3	220	SR
Terry Kiehm, Lafayette High	6-1	220	SR
Mike LaComb, Sunset	6-2	312	JR
Derrick Ned, Eunice	6-0	190	SR
Wyatt Smith, Northside	6-0	230	SR
Jay Telford, Vandebilt	6-4	200	SR
Cleveland Thomas, Opelousas	6-3	255	SR

DEFENSIVE BACKS

PLAYER, SCHOOL	HT	WT	CL
Todd Aubrey, Carencro	5-11	175	JR
Joey Bernard, St. Thomas More	6-1	215	SR
Jonathan Carmouche, Acadiana	5-10	175	SR
Andre Carron, Opelousas	6-1	190	SR
Jay Domengeaux, Teurlings	5-10	185	SR
Leo Etienne, New Iberia	5-0	205	SR
Marcel Guidroz, Port Barre	6-0	210	SR
Cornell Pradier, Lafayette High	5-10	185	SR
Francis Touchet, Kaplan	6-0	220	SR
John Zenon, Carencro	5-10	190	SR

DEFENSIVE BACKS

PLAYER, SCHOOL	HT	WT	CL
Van Ray Alexander, New Iberia	6-1	170	SR
Shane Garrett, Crowley	5-11	175	SR
Doug Palombo, Acadiana	6-3	181	SR
Corey Raymond, New Iberia	6-0	170	SR
John Snellgrove, Hanson	6-0	165	SR

KICKERS

PLAYER, SCHOOL	HT	WT	CL
Bill Eden, St. Thomas More	5-9	160	JR



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Rebels tackle Breaux Bridge in emotional season opener

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With signs of Autumn's air streaking upon us, it signals the beginning of high school football.

After oiling up the rust spots in last week's jamboree games, the coaches, players and fans are ready for the real action to begin.

Friday night's slate includes the opening games for the five teams in District 5-AA. The Teurlings Rebels head up the schedule with a home game against the Breaux Bridge Tigers at Northside High School. In other games, the Notre Dame Pioneers will play host to the St. Louis Saints, the Opelousas Catholic Vikings will travel to face the Port Barre Red Devils, the Church Point Bears will entertain the North Vermilion Patriots and the Iota Bulldogs will go south to tackle the South Cameron Tarpons.

TCHS-BBHS

Preseason hoopla is an exciting part of high school football. For the Teurlings Rebels, hopes are high for this squad and with good reason, especially after last week's 14-7 jamboree win over Lafayette High.

The Rebels, under first-year Head

Coach Bruce Cox, have 13 starters and 15 lettermen returning from last year's 4-6 team. Last season, Teurlings had a very respectable offense, and with eight starters returning, chances of them posting high numbers on the scoreboard are very possible.

Senior quarterback George Murphy and senior tailback Carl Rachal will be vital keys to the Rebel attack. Murphy is coming off an excellent '85 campaign, and with Teurlings switching from the veer formation to the Wing-T, the senior standout could be even more dangerous to opposing defenses this fall.

Rachal, possessing great speed and quickness, will also be extremely dangerous for opponents.

"Rachal can break one from any place on the field," said Cox. In addition to running and catching the ball out of the backfield, Rachal will handle punt and kickoff returns, and will also anchor the defense at his safety position.

The Reb defense will also sport a new look this season as Cox has switched from the 5-2 setup to the 4-4.

"We could turn into a good defensive team," Cox explained. "Our main objective in the spring

was to find the best players to fit our defensive plans."

For Breaux Bridge Head Coach Mike Mowad, this game and the following four games will be crucial in gearing up for their 7-AAA district slate.

Mowad has 12 starters returning, but most will have to play offense and defense,

NDHS-SLHS

CROWLEY — The Pioneers are also entering this season with high expectations. Last year's 9-3 playoff squad though has only three starters offensively and defensively and Head Coach Ashton Cassedy looks at the '86 as a question mark.

"This is the least experienced team I have ever coached," said Cassedy, entering his 19th year as Pioneer mentor. "We have a lot of young people and the seniors that will start have not played much."

His offense is led by quarterback Chuck Habetz and the defense will look to John Morgan and Blaine Miller for leadership.

Their defense will have to be prepared when pass-happy St. Louis comes to town. The Saints will ride the throwing arm of senior quarterback Bryan Guillory and the catching hands of split ends Max



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BBHS—TEURLINGS

Breaux Bridge drops into class AA to take on Teurlings, but don't sell this Rebel team short. In the jamboree, the Rebels completely dominated Quad-A power Lafayette High for a big win.

Unfortunately for the Tigers, most of the squad will have to play both offense and defense. The young Tigers, will have to be in top condition and stay injury free in order to have any kind of success this year.



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Interception

Teurlings defensive back Carl Rachal intercepts a Breaux Bridge pass early in the first quarter. Rachal ended the game with two interceptions and three touchdowns in leading the Rebels to a 33-6 win.



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Rachal powers Rebels past Ti

By BRAD HAWKINS
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The Teurlings Catholic Rebel football team started the 1986 campaign on a sweet note Thursday night as they defeated the Breaux Bridge High Tigers before a packed house at Clark Field.

The Rebels, under first-year Head Coach Bruce Cox, came into the opener ranked 10th in Class AA. They also had some momentum after handling the Lafayette Lions a 14-7 setback in last week's jamboree.

They took advantage of several Bengal miscues and fully capitalized on them in route to an easy 33-6 victory in Cox's debut.

"It's a good win for us," said Cox. "It's good anytime you win, but we were sloppy at times offensively and defensively and we lost our intensity during parts of the game."

Much had been said about the Rebel offensive attack before Thursday night's game, but it was the Reb defense that was the main reason for the team's 33 points.

On the game's third play from scrimmage, Tiger quarterback Bryan Leon looked for receiver Jacques Dupuis, but instead found Rebel Carl Rachal streaking down the sideline after picking off the pass. Rachal raced 40 yards before being down at the Breaux Bridge five yard line.

On second down, Teurlings quarterback George Murphy fumbled near the endzone, but teammate Jay Domengeaux recovered the pigskin in the endzone for a



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quick 6-0 Rebel lead.

One of two sustained drives by Teurlings came midway in the first quarter. Starting at their own 23 yard line, the Rebel offense embarked on a 77 yard drive which was capped by a one yard plunge by Rachal, who finished the night with 101 yards on 12 carries. The touchdown gave the home team a 12-0 lead after one half.

The Tigers entered the second half with a few tricks up their sleeves as they recovered an onside kick. With momentum on their side, Breaux Bridge drove 52 yards in route to a Cori Wiltz one yard touchdown run. With that, the visitors had cut the Rebel lead in half.

From there, the Teurlings defense took over. A Rebel defender pounced on a Wiltz fumble on the Tigers' next possession. Three plays later, from the Bengal 17 yard line, Murphy found split end Jeff Delhomme in the right corner of the endzone for six points and an 18-6 advantage.

"When you hit someone hard enough, he will cough up the ball," said Cox, commenting on the aggressive play of his defense. "Our theory is to gang tackle and when you do that, good things will happen."

Disaster struck again for Breaux Bridge on their next play from scrimmage when Leon was

smothered by Domengeux and fumbled the ball away at his own 26 yard line.

Five plays later, it was that man again, as Rachal bulled his way over from the two to give Teurlings a commanding 20 point bulge.

The Tigers could not get out of Clark Field soon enough. Teurlings then drove 83 yards on their next possession, the drive culminated by yet another touchdown by Rachal, this one from 17 yards out to end the game's scoring.

The determined Rebel defense limited the Breaux Bridge offense to 167 total yards and only six first downs.

Next week, Teurlings will take their 1-0 mark and possibly a higher ranking into Lake Charles to battle the St. Louis Saints.

Cox said the Rebel coaches and players do not like to think about their ranking, but added with a smile, "It's great to be respected."

Breaux Bridge.....0 0 6 0 -- 6
Teurlings.....12 0 14 7 -- 33
TC -- Jay Domengeaux recovered fumble in end zone (kick blocked)
TC -- Carl Rachal 1 run (run failed)
TC -- Jeff Delhomme 17 pass from George Murphy (pass failed)
BB -- Corey Wiltz 5 run (kick failed)
TC -- Rachal 4 run (Delhomme pass from Murphy)
TC -- Rachal 17 run (Domengeaux kick)

	BBHS	TCHS
First Downs.....	6	11
Rushing.....	123	168
Passing.....	34	125
Total Offense.....	167	293
Att Comp-Int.....	12-44	25-10-0
Fumbles-Lost.....	4-3	1-0
Punts Avg.....	5-36.6	7-27.1
Penalties-Yards.....	5-25	4-25



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Rachal, Guercio first week stars

Teurlings' Carl Rachal and Lafayette High's Tommy Guercio have been named as the *Advertiser/Coca-Cola* Players of the Week.

Rachal's sparkling overall performance made him the unanimous choice as defensive player while Guercio claimed his honor after a fine offensive show. Both athletes were major contributors in their team's successful season openers as high school football kicked off across Acadiana.

Defensive performances, such as Rachal's, had to take a back seat to those turned in by the offense, however, as there were a number of fine offensive showings last Thursday and Friday night.

In fact, Guercio barely edged out Loreauville's Derwin Antoine and Northside's P.D. Broussard for offensive player of the week.

Antoine opened the 86 season by amassing 254 yards on just 23 carries and scored three touchdowns as Loreauville demolished Central Catholic of Morgan City 31-6.

Broussard, nursing a sore ankle, still managed to run for 163 yards on 20 carries and a touchdown in the Vikings 13-8 loss to AAAA Carencro.

Honorable mention goes to Opelousas High's Reggie Austin (13-122, 1TD); Ville Platte's Richard Frank (14-162); Patterson's Bernie Blackburn (29 yards, 3TDs) and Travis Ray (13-131), and Hanson's Scott Goulas (three TDs).

Rachal's selection might have been made on either the offensive or defensive side of the football. The 5-9, 180-pound senior was a workhorse for the Rebels as he picked off two Breau Bridge passes of which he returned one for 40 yards to set up the first Teurlings score.

The Teurlings defense, which was led by Rachal, allowed Breau Bridge just 34 yards in passing as the Tigers completed only 4 of 12 aerials. In addition, the unit had two more pick offs besides Rachal's.

While he was a terror in the secondary, he was also earning his keep offensively as he scored on touchdown runs of one, four and 17 yards.

To simply look at Tommy Guercio's overall stats last Friday evening would not enable one to get the full picture.

The 5-10, 175 pound senior wrenched control of the football game away from St. Thomas More as his gained confidence and began to run the Lions veer.

In the first half, the Lions of Coach Bobby Green were struggling to say the least. Guercio had completed only four of eight passes for 80 yards and had fumbled the ball away twice.

But in the second half a transformation, thanks largely to the reckless ... sometimes abandoned play ... of Guercio, took place.

"We talked to the kids at the half and told them that our own mistakes were killing us," said Green. "We tried to impress them with the fact that we considered ourselves the better ball club."

"We told Tommy," continued Green. "He had to start taking chances ... he had to make things happen for us."

Green attributed the Lions' turnaround to Guercio's handling of the offense. The senior turned in a brilliant second half, completing six of 11 passes for 132 yards. He threw for a 50-yard touchdown and ran 10 yards for another score as Lafayette came from a 15 point deficit to take a 21-15 win.



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Rebels only winners among 5-AA teams

By BRAD HAWKINS
Staff Sports Writer

After one week of high school football action, all the teams in district 5-AA had problems, except one.

The Teurlings Rebels were the only squad to record a win in the opening week while the others came up a tad short.

The Rebels had little problems in getting by the Breaux Bridge Tigers, defeating the visitors by a 33-6 count. In other games, the Church Point Bears lost to the North Vermilion 9-6 in overtime, the Opelousas Catholic Vikings were soundly defeated by the Port Barre Red Devils 34-7 and the Notre Dame Pioneers were handed a 17-7 setback by the St. Louis Saints.

This week's action finds the Rebels traveling to Lake Charles to battle the Saints, the Bears will play host to the Kaplan Pirates, the Vikings will entertain the Catholic High of Point Coupee Green Hornets and the Pioneers will visit Eunice and try to tame the Bobcats.

TCHS-ST. LOUIS

LAKE CHARLES — Head Coach Bruce Cox's Rebels are coming off a convincing win over Breaux Bridge a week ago and will try to maintain the same momentum.

They will have to be ready to defend against the Saints' aerial show which spelled doom for Notre Dame last week.

Leading that Teurlings defense will be seniors Jay Domengeaux and Carl Rachal. Rachal intercepted two passes against the Tigers and Domengeaux figured in on many tackles.

The two also star on offense, which is quarterbacked by senior George Murphy. Murphy did not have his best night last week, but still managed to complete 10 passes and gain some more on the ground.

The Rebels' new Wing-T offense got off to a sluggish start in week one and had to rely on the team's defense for good field position.

St. Louis is led by quarterback Brian Guillory. Guillory completed 16-of-31 passes against Notre Dame for 188 yards and also scored a touchdown, plunging over from the one.

The Saint defense meanwhile, held the home-standing Pioneers to 91 total yards and only four first downs over 48 minutes of play.

KAPLAN-CHURCH POINT

CHURCH POINT — Needless to say, for Head Coach Mike Richard's Bears, this one will be a tough one.

Last year's semifinalists in Class AA are now one year older and better, witnessed by their 39-3 shellacking of AAA Abbeville.

Brian Suire led the potent Pirate offensive attack with touchdown

High school polls

By The Associated Press
Here are the rankings of high school football teams in Class AA and A by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association, with first place votes in parenthesis, followed by the record and total number of points. Points are based on 10 for a first place vote, nine for a second, etc.

Class AA			
1. Springhill	(9)	1-0-0	99
2. Kaplan	(1)	1-0-0	91
3. Port Sulphur		1-0-0	87
4. Kennerwood		0-1-0	51
5. Tallulah		1-0-0	46
6. Homer		0-1-0	38
7. Hattiesville		0-1-0	38
8. Burke		1-0-0	36
9. Teurlings		1-0-0	30
10. Patterson		1-0-0	21
11. Lorange		1-0-0	13

Others receiving votes include: Welsh 9, White Castle 9, Vidalia 6, Loreauville 4, Farmerville 6, McCall 6, Camote P.C. 4, DeQuincy 2, Ringgold 2, S. Cameron 1, Trahan 1.

Class A			
1. Southern Lab	(7)	1-0-0	97
2. University BR	(7)	1-0-0	85
3. Ouachita Christian	(7)	0-1-0	77
4. Vermilion Catholic		1-0-0	70
5. First Assembly		1-0-0	53
6. Mansac		1-0-0	42
7. Mangham		1-0-0	37
8. Country Day		1-0-0	34
9. Sicily Island		1-0-0	25
10. Port Barre		1-0-0	13

Others receiving votes: Ouachita Christian 9, Cottonport 4.

runs of 85 (on the game's first play) and 14 yards in leading Kaplan to 371 total yards.

The Church Point offense was not as successful against North Vermilion. Even though the Bears totaled 264 yards, they could only put six points on the scoreboard.

The bulk of those 264 yards was turned in by Michael Boutte, who carried the pigskin 28 times for 149 yards.

Church Point did play well defensively as they held the Patriots to 195 yards total offense.

CHPC-OCHS

OPELOUSAS — Head Coach Mickey Mills is looking for a turnaround when his Vikings tackle the Green Hornets on Friday night.

Opelousas Catholic's second half fall apart proved to be disastrous in Port Barre last week. Trailing by only 16-7 at the half, the Vikings were stung by a long kickoff return for a touchdown to start the second half. From there, it was all downhill and the final was 34-7.

The Vikings are led by quarterback Brent Bordelon and defensive tackle Bobby Bluett.

The Green Hornets defeated Livonia 24-13 a week ago. They run a wishbone offense with exceptional speed and are quick defensively.

NDHS-EHS

EUNICE — Head Coach Ashton Cassidy said before last Friday night's game against St. Louis that this club was the least experienced team he had ever coached.

It showed as last year's 1-9 St. Louis squad completely dominated the offensive and defensive lines of scrimmage in their 10-point victory.

The Pioneers had major problems offensively, gaining only 91 total yards.

Eunice will try to bounce back from last week's heartbreaking loss to Westlake. The Bobcats had third and goal from the two, but fumbled away the ball in the Westlake end zone on the game's last play.

Lafayette Ladies Tennis Standings

WEEK OF SEPT. 25
A DIVISION

Thomas Park 1, 20; LARC 17; Reds 14; 16; Town House 14; Reds 1, 4; Thomas Park 11; 5; Thomas Park 11; 5; Beaver Park 1, 3; Reds 11; Bye

B PLUS DIVISION

LARC 26; Oakbourne 20; Reds 1, 17; Beaver Park 11; 14; Beaver Park 11; 12; Reds 11; 8; Beaver Park 1, 4; Reds 11; 4; Thomas Park 2; Town House 1; Lafayette Health Club; Bye

B DIVISION

LARC 11; 20; Town House 1, 17; Reds 11; 17; Thomas Park 11; 17; Oakbourne 14; LARC 1, 8; Town House 11; 3; Thomas Park 1, 4; Reds 11; 4; Reds 1, 1; Lafayette Health Club; Bye

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Lafayette Health Club 20; Reds 11; 20; Reds 1, 17; LARC 4; Thomas Park 2; Town House 11; 1; Town House 1, Bye

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St. Louis defeats Teurlings;

The St. Louis High Saints proved to be rude hosts for the Teurlings Rebels as the Saints came from behind in the final quarter and defeated the Rebels 23-12.

In other AA action on Friday night, the Lake Arthur Tigers got by the Delcambre Panthers 26-20, the West Feliciana Saints beat the Loreauville Tigers 21-14, the Vermilion Catholic Screamin' Eagles blasted the Catholic High of New Iberia Panthers 43-13, the Kaplan Pirates bombed the Church Point Bears 49-19 and the Hanson Bulldogs defeated the Patterson Lumberjacks 27-12.

St. Louis.....23

TCHS.....12

LAKE CHARLES — The Saints used a pair of fourth quarter touchdowns to get by the visiting Rebels.

St. Louis got on the scoreboard first when the Rebels botched a fumble in their own end zone and a Saint defender tackled the Rebel runner for a safety and a quick 2-0 lead.

The home club pushed their advantage to 9-0 when quarterback Bryan Guillory found receiver Renaldo Drake for 35 yards and a score. Kim Savant added the extra point for St. Louis.

Teurlings pulled to within 9-6 late in the second quarter when Carl Rachal scampered 62 yards for a Rebel score and end the first half scoring.

The visiting Rebs took the lead after three quarters. Rachal scored again, this one from 10 yards out, and Teurlings had a 12-9 lead with one quarter remaining.

The fourth quarter however, proved to be disastrous for the Rebel club. Guillory put St. Louis on top for good when he scored from five yards out and the Saints added a late touchdown to clinch the victory.

Rachal displayed another stellar performance with 105 yards on 11 carries, while the Saints' Chris Medearis had 115 yards on 18 carries for the Saints.

football games continues to be the thing to do on Friday night for the Kaplan Pirates, as they made the Church Point Bears their latest victim.

Senior fullback Francis Touchet, who had 114 yards on 10 carries, scored the first of his three touchdowns to open the game with a 64-yard run to begin on onslaught of five straight Pirate touchdowns.

Touchet then encoed by galloping in from the three and then the seven yard lines to make it 21-0 before Bear fans had warmed up their seats. He then began to share the load a bit, as Farrell Fontenot scampered in from the 19 to begin the blowout.

Blake LeBeouf then added insult to injury by returning a punt 80 yards to begin the second half scoring and make the game 35-0. That score finally prompted Church Point to get on the scoreboard behind a eight-yard TD pass to Nicholas Citizen from James Andrus.

Despite the rout, the Bear's junior halfback Michael Boutte rushed for 145 yards on 18 carries, including a 70-yard touchdown run in the third



quarter to draw Church Point a li closer.

It was much too little, much late, however, as Kaplan remind them of that with a 53-yard TD p to Jason Morvant from Merchant to the Pirate's scoring the night.

Lake Arthur.....
DHS.....

DELCAMBRE — The visiti Tigers used a late fourth qua touchdown to down the homesta ing Panthers in a wild contest.

Lake Arthur scored first on a C

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St. Louis 23 TCHS 12

Teurlings.....0 6 6 0-12
St. Louis.....2 7 0 14-23

STL—Safety.

STL—Renaldo Drake 35 pass from Bryan Guillory (Kim Savant kick).

TCHS—Carl Rachal 62 run (kick failed).

TCHS—Rachal 10 run (run failed).

STL—Guillory 5 run (Savant kick).

	Teur	Stl
First downs.....	11	21
Yards rushing.....	166	220
Yards passing.....	41	156
Comp-att.....	3-6	14-27
Interceptions.....	0	0
Fumbles-lost.....	2-1	2-2
Punts-avg.....	3-39	4-27
Penalties.....	7-52	8-76



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Teurlings, St. Thomas More rekindle fire

By BRAD HAWKINS
Staff Sports Writer

Rivalries in sports are games which the players, coaches and fans most look forward to.

Friday night's battle between the Teurlings Catholic Rebels and the St. Thomas More Cougars will feature new head coaches on both sidelines. Bruce Cox of Teurlings and Jim Hightower of St. Thomas More might be new to the rivalry, but the game promises to be played with the same intensity as in recent years.

"Our kids have been excited more than usual," said Cox. "But we are just concentrating on the game because we need a win."

It was last week that the Rebels and the St. Louis Saints sloshed through the mud in Lake Charles. A driving rainstorm and an electrical storm stopped play for about 30 minutes. Action then resumed and the Saints scored two fourth quarter touchdowns to subdue the visiting Rebs and left Teurlings with a 1-1 mark. The previous week, the Rebels had pounded Breaux Bridge 33-6 with the help of Carl Rachal's heroics.

For the second straight week, the Cougars lost a heartbreaker. In week one, STM found themselves dominating the Lafayette Lions and leading 15-0 at the half. Things fell apart however in the second half and the Tommy Guercio-led Lions prevailed 21-15.

Last Friday night in Cecilia, the Cougars scored a late fourth quarter touchdown and elected to go for two points and the win. The conversion failed and so did STM's comeback attempt as the Bulldogs won 22-21.

Last season, the Rebels and Cougars fought tooth and nail for 48 minutes before Teurlings came out on top 20-15.

In this, the first meeting Cox and Hightower, both coaches have a great amount of respect for their

opponent.

"They're so much better than their 0-2 record," said Cox. "They've lost two really close games, so their record does not really mean much."

"Their quarterback is the key. He throws the ball really well when their offensive line gives him a lot of time and their middle linebacker looks very impressive," added Cox.

The quarterback Cox spoke about is STM leader Todd Trahan. The senior has completed 17-of-51 passes for 253 yards and one score thus far. His main targets are receivers Tommy Byler (3 catches for 58 yards) and Jeff Elmore (3 for 59).

Leading Teurlings will be seniors George Murphy and Carl Rachal. Murphy has hit on 13-for-31 passes over the first two games, while Rachal has carried the ball 23 times for 206 yards and five touchdowns.

"Teurlings has a very talented ball club," said Hightower. "They have excellent skill people who are

hard working and they are capable of scoring from anywhere on the field."

Kickoff is set for 7:30 p.m. at Clark Field.

5-AA ROUNDUP

• — **VILLE PLATTE-NOTRE DAME:** The Pioneers have a mighty task before them as they prepare to take on the Bulldogs on Thursday night.

The Bulldogs have been nothing short of impressive over their first two games. They defeated Oakdale 20-0 in week one and then recorded another shutout, 35-0 over Jeanerette.

Ville Platte has totaled 775 yards in two weeks and have allowed only 104 yards.

Leading their offensive attack is quarterback James Freeman (15-for-33 for 383 yards and 6 TD's) and running back Marshall Frank (29-263 yards).

Notre Dame is off to a slow start.

Their second straight defeat came a week ago to Crowley by a 40-7 score.

• — **OPELOUSAS CATH.-ST. ED'S:** The Vikings will also be looking for their first win of the young season as they will attempt to clip the Blue Jays' wings.

OCHS lost 20-7 to Catholic High of Point Coupee after a 27-7 lost to Port Barre a week earlier. They will be led by quarterback Brent Bordon.

The Blue Jays also lost to Port Barre, 14-12 last week. They are led by quarterbacks Roddy Hebert and Chuck Gordon.

• — **CHURCH POINT-SOUTH CAMERON:** Bear fans have to be getting impatient as Church Point has now lost, counting last year, 12 straight games.

The Bears will look to break the streak on Friday night when they travel south to tangle with the South Cameron Tarpons.

Junior tailback Michael Boutte leads Church Point on offense. Boutte rushed 18 times for 145 yards in a 49-19 loss to number one AAA Kaplan.

• — **IOWA-IOTA:** The Bulldogs, another winless team in district 5-AA, will try to get their feet on the right track when they face the Iowa Yellow Jackets.

Iota's second loss came at the hands of the Welsh Greyhounds 36-0 last week.

First-year Coach Harold Fusilier will look for leadership from senior quarterback Scott Roy and junior tailback Morris Ledet.

Acadiana, ESA post wins

The Acadiana Lady Rams and the Episcopal School of Acadiana Lady Falcons recorded victories on Tuesday night.

The Lady Rams had little trouble with the Carencro Lady Bears, winning by scores of 15-11 and 15-8, while ESA also won in straight games of 15-13 and 15-1.

AHS-CHS

The Lady Rams improved their district mark to 2-0 and their overall mark to 6-1.

They were led by Shawn Antoine's five aces and four kills, Susan Justin's three aces and Donna Savoy's eight service points.

Their next match will be at St. Martinville at 7 p.m. on Thursday.

Carencro (5-3, 1-1), got four kills and two aces from Tina Giron. The Lady Bears will be in Mobile, Ala. this weekend for a tournament.

ESA-MT. CARMEL

The Lady Falcons used a brilliant comeback in the first game and rode the momentum into the second game to polish off the visitors.

The ESA offense was balanced and they displayed excellent defense. The Lady Falcons also placed fourth in the ESA of Baton Rouge tournament this past weekend.

Their next match will be at home on Thursday against Grand Coteau.

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TCHS Defense shines as Rebs thump STM

By BRAD HAWKINS
Staff Sports Writer

The Teurlings Catholic Rebel football team made things difficult for themselves Friday night, but they ended the game victorious, winning the annual grudge match against the St. Thomas More Cougars, 21-7.

After an early first quarter struggle, Teurlings dominated the remaining three quarters statistically, but were unable to punch the ball in on numerous occasions.

The Rebel offense, with 4:46 left on the clock, finally clinched the victory on a 27-yard touchdown scamper by quarterback George Murphy.

"This is a big win for us," said Rebel Head Coach Bruce Cox. Compared to last week (a 11-point loss at St. Louis), we were much better prepared mentally and it certainly showed."

The Reb defense threw a vicious swarming attack at the Cougars in the second half, which helped keep STM at bay. The Cougar rushing attack, using a constant trap play, repeatedly picked up chunks of yards in the first half. In the second half however, the Teurlings defense was ready.

"We practiced against that play all week," said Cox. "But STM was doing a fine job and we had to adjust. The only thing we talked about at the half was defending against that play."

The talked certainly benefitted the Rebel defense as they held St. Thomas More to a meager 47 yards rushing in the second half. The rattled Cougar attack could not get a second half first down until 3:00 was left in the game and that effort went well with Cox.

"We can't play better defense than we did in the second half," said Cox. "We stopped them again and again and it was just a great effort. This is the best game we've played. STM is a fine football team, much better than their 0-3 record."

Teurlings broke out on top with 7:45 remaining in the first quarter. After a Chuck Dawson fumble, Murphy capped a four-play, 30-yard drive with a bootleg around the left end for four yards and a touchdown.

The Cougars came right back on their next possession. Starting from their own 38, the trap play produced

54 yards on six carries. Dawson then used a great second effort to score from eight yards out and STM had a 7-6 lead.

After marching 68 yards that produced no points, Teurlings received a gift late in the second quarter. STM's punter botched a snap and then shanked the kick six yards.

Six plays later, Murphy ran a bootleg, this time around the right end, and scored again. Jay Domengeaux added the two-point conversion and Teurlings was never headed.

Three times in the second half, Teurlings drove inside the Cougar 20-yard line. Each time the Rebs hurt themselves with costly penalties and would come away empty.

Meanwhile, the Teurlings defense never let STM near their goal line and was the key ingredient in the Rebel win. Murphy added his third touchdown with 4:46 left in the game and the clock ran out on the Cougars.

In addition to Murphy's scores, all-purpose running back Carl Rachal added 119 yards on 17 carries and 63 yards on two pass receptions.

STM was led by the 58 yards rushing by running back Thomas Lalande.

The win puts Teurlings back in the win column after last week's defeat on a mud-infested field in Lake Charles. The rain again pelted down at Clark Field on Friday night, but this time, could not spoil the Rebel parade.

Teurlings 21, STM 7

St. Thomas More 7 0 0 0-0
Teurlings 21 0 7-21

TCHS—Murphy 4 run (kick blocked)
STM—Dawson 4 run (Eden kick)
TCHS—Murphy 5 run (Domengeaux run)
TCHS—Murphy 27 run (Murphy kick)

	STM	TC
First downs	10	15
Yards rushing	141	274
Yards passing	64	89
Comp att.	2 15	4 14
Interceptions	2	1
Fumbles lost	2 2	1 1
Punts avg.	1 23	2 42
Penalties	4 40	12 100



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Hot pursuit

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Teurlings Catholic George Murphy Field. The annual grudge match between the two schools ended with the Rebels taking a 21-7 win over the Cougars. More's Thomas Lalande (45) during Friday night action at Clark



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Rachal's late touchdown gives Teurlings 28-21 win over Cecilia

CECILIA — A victory in the fourth week of the season usually doesn't mean much, but the Teurlings Rebels' win over the Cecilia Bulldogs Friday night was a big win and another tremendous confidence boost for Head Coach Bruce Cox and his boys.

Winning in Cecilia's backyard in not the easiest thing for a visiting team to do, but the Rebels came through in the game's final moments and emerged victorious to improve their pre-district record to 3-1.

In the opening quarter, the Bulldogs moved in front when Scotty Robin hauled in a 25-yard pass from quarterback Chad Guidry.

Teurlings evened the score at 7-all in the second quarter. Carl Rachal scored from four yards out and George Murphy added the PAT. Cecilia regained the lead before halftime on a Shane McGee seven yard TD run.

The Rebels won the game in the second half. They outscored the hosts 21-7 over the final 24 minutes.

Murphy tied the game at 14-14 on a 40-yard burst for six points and the Rebs took a 21-14 lead when Murphy found Jeff Delhomme for 17 yards and another touchdown.

Mystery ball games

The following contests were not called in to The Advertiser Friday night: North Vermilion-Berwick; Jeanerette-Southern Lab; Vandebilt-Port Sulphur; Central Catholic-Newman; Basile-Gueydan; Opelousas-Morgan City. Information on some of those games was gathered from other sources, but the only way to assure coverage is to call after every game — win or lose, home or away.

Cecilia, however, does not lay down and play dead in the backyard. McGee caught a Guidry pass from eight yards and a score to tie the game at 21.

The Bulldogs were then driving down the field for the potential game-winning touchdown. They had the ball in Rebel territory with just over two minutes left in the game.

But with over a minute remaining, cornerback Scott Deaton stepped in front of a Guidry pass for an interception and returned the ball 54 yards to the Bulldog 13-yard line which had Rebel fans ecstatic.

The Rebels then went to their ace, Rachal, for the winning score. He waltzed into the Bulldog end zone from the five and the visitors had

their first road victory of the 1986 season in hand.

Rachal covered 119 yards on 14 carries and also swiped a Bulldog pass. He has now chalked up 442 yards in four games, while Murphy added 70 on five attempts.

Stellar defensive performances were turned in by the Rebels' Mark Landry and Damian Grossie. Landry smothered Bulldog runners for 12 tackles and five assists. Grossie contributed with eight tackles and four assists.

Teurlings will now take their 3-1 record into Morgan City to take on the Central Catholic Fighting Eagles. Cecilia is now 2-2 and will travel to Lake Charles to take on the pass-happy St. Louis Saints.



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Teurlings 28 Cecilia 21

Teurlings 0 7 14 7-28
Cecilia 7 7 0 7-21

Cec—Scotty Robin 25 pass from Chad Guidry (Scott Patin kick).

Teur—Carl Rachal 4 run (George Murphy kick).

Cec—Shane McGee 7 run (Patin kick).

Teur—Murphy 40 run (Murphy kick).

Teur—Jeff Delhomme 17 pass from Murphy (Murphy kick).

Cec—McGee 8 pass from Guidry (Patin kick).

Teur—Rachal 5 run (Murphy kick)

	Teur	Cec
First downs.....	13	18
Yards rushing.....	240	140
Yards passing.....	65	133
Comp-att.....	6-11	13-26
Interceptions.....	0	3
Fumbles-lost.....	3-3	2-2
Punts-avg.....	5-50	4-26
Penalties.....	2-20	8-70



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Teurlings Rebels, team to beat in 5-AA

By BRAD HAWKINS
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MORGAN CITY — It's hard to believe, but the 1986 high school football season will reach the halfway mark on Friday night.

With four weeks past us, the Teurlings Catholic High Rebels have established themselves as the team to beat come district play next week.

Head Coach Bruce Cox's Rebels have come away victorious in three of the four games, including an impressive 28-21 victory at Cecilia last Friday night.

The other four district teams have found the seas a little rough, what with only one of those four having notched a win. The Opelousas Catholic Vikings have won one game (7-0 at St. Edmund's) and loss three, while the Notre Dame Pioneers, the Iota Bulldogs and the Church Point Bears are all 0-4.

Teurlings will once again hit the

road this week, traveling to Morgan City to play the Central Catholic Eagles.

Offensively, the Rebels will be led by senior tailback Carl Rachal. Rachal, through four games, has been consistent with at least 100 yards in each game for a combined total of 432 yards. He has also scored six touchdowns and has added three interceptions defensively.

Directing the offensive show is senior quarterback George Murphy. Murphy has had struggled a bit with the pass, but has made up for it with five rushing scores, including three in a 21-7 win over arch-rival St. Thomas More.

After a hard-fought battle at Cecilia, the Rebels could find the Eagles' wings easy to clip. Central Catholic is off to an 0-4 start, including a 7-6 loss last week to Newman High. In those four games, the Eagles have been outscored

66-18.

After the Central Catholic game, Teurlings will have one non-district game left, against the Eunice Bobcats on Oct. 10 at Clark Field.

5-AA ROUNDUP

• **OPEL. CATH.-JEANERETTE:** The Vikings fell on hard times against Breaux Bridge last Friday night, losing 39-6.

A week prior, the Vikings had won their first game of the season in Eunice against the St. Ed's Blue Jays.

For OC, under Head Coach Mickey Mills, this will be a crucial game. They will begin district play next week against the Church Point Bears and a win over the Tigers will boost their confidence.

The Vikings are led by quarterback Brent Bordelon and their young defense is anchored by Bobby Blueitt.

The Bears are led by junior tailback Michael Boutte. Boutte has rushed for over 300 yards, including a 150-yard effort in week two.

This could be the week for Church Point to snap their 14-game losing streak. In Sacred Heart of Ville Platte, they face a team which has also struggled and lost to Sunset 38-12 two weeks ago.

• **NOTRE DAME-SAM HOUSTON:** Head Coach Ashton Cassidy has found the 1986 season to possibly be his worst season. The inexperienced Pioneer team has not found the right chemistry thus far and has been outscored 111-7 over four games.

Running the Wing-T offensive attack will be quarterback Chuck Habetz.

• **IOTA-BUNKIE:** The Bulldogs, also looking for the initial win, will take on tough Bunkie High.



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Teurlings, Jennings, VC roll

MORGAN CITY — Teurlings Catholic rolled to an easy 61-0 victory over Morgan City to highlight prep action Thursday night.

Teurlings rolled up 301 yards rushing and 101 passing while holding Central Catholic to 130 rushing and zero passing.

The Rebels returned two interceptions for touchdowns. The first was by Troy Kling for 43 yards and Brett

Sonnier nabbed one for 30 yards.

Teurlings QB George Murphy scored on a run and a pass and kicked six extra points to lead the Rebels in scoring. Mark Landry had seven solo tackles and one assist for the Teurlings defensive squad.

Sacred Heart-Ville Platte 19.

Church Point 18

VILLE PLATTE — A fake field goal was the difference in Sacred

Heart's 19-18 squeaker over Church Point Thursday night.

Grant Fontenot was on the receiving end of a fifteen-yard pass from Eddie Parrot for that score.

Church Point threatened as late as 18 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter as Kevin Fall scored from two out to bring Church Point to within one. The two point conversion failed, however.

St. Louis 14, Cecilia 13

LAKE CHARLES — Barry Williams' 85 yard run with 2:17 remaining breathed life into Cecilia but the pass for the two-point conversion failed and Cecilia swallowed a one-point loss to the Saints.

Brian Guillory rushed for and threw a touchdown for St. Louis. Carroll Boudreaux scored the other touchdown for Cecilia on an 11-yard pass from Russell Brummett.

Vermilion Cath. 32, St. Edmund's 0

EUNICE — Blake Hawthorne tossed three touchdowns and ran for another as Vermilion Catholic demolished St. Edmund's 32-0.

Sacred Heart 19, Church Point 18

Church Point	4	0	0	12-18
Sacred Heart	0	13	6	19

CHP - Michael Boutte 30 run (kick failed)
 SeH - Eddie Parrot 26 run (Parrot kick)
 SeH - Grant Fontenot 15 pass from Parrot (pass failed)
 SeH - Parrot 1 run (run failed)
 CHP - Kevin Fall 1 run (run failed)
 CHP - Fall 2 run (run failed)

	CHP	SeH
First downs	16	15
Yards rushing	246	178
Yards passing	40	139
Comp att	25	22 18
Interceptions	1	0
Fumbles lost	3 0	3 0
Punts avg	237	232
Penalties	5 33	4 30

Verm. Catholic 32, St. Edmund's 0

Teurlings 61, Central Catholic 0

Teurlings	13	27	14	7-61
Central Catholic	0	0	0	0-0

TC - J. J. Preejean 6 pass from George Murphy (kick failed)
 TC - Murphy 1 run (Murphy kick)
 TC - Troy Kling 43 interception return (Murphy kick)
 TC - Scott Dean 16 run (Murphy kick)
 TC - Mark Landry 18 run (Murphy kick)
 TC - Carl Rochard 66 run (kick failed)
 TC - Brett Sonnier 30 interception return (Tyrone Dupuis kick)
 TC - Keith Perrier 3 run (Murphy kick)
 TC - Troy Andries 3 run (Murphy kick)

	TC	CCMc
First downs	21	7
Yards rushing	301	130
Yards passing	121	0
Comp att	29	4 13
Interceptions	2	0
Fumbles lost	0 0	1 0
Punts avg	5 40	2 43
Penalties	3 40	2 35



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Teurlings puts win streak on line against Eunice

By BRAD HAWKINS

Staff Sports Writer

Now halfway through the 1986 football campaign, the first half of the Teurlings Catholic football season can be described as successful.

The Rebels, now 4-1 on the year, have one game remaining before crunch-time comes, that being the start of district play. Anytime a squad goes 4-1, it takes a total team effort, which is exactly what the Rebels have demonstrated thus far. There is, however, one particular Reb who has sparkled from both sides of the line.

Recherche is a word to describe multi-talented Carl Rachal. He is one of those rare players who have the ability to contribute to the success of the team in many ways.

In addition to the rushing yards he has gained over five games, Rachal has also intercepted passes at his cornerback position. He also adds special teams to his diversified list, running back punts and kickoffs.

"Carl does everything we ask of him," said first-year Rebel Head Coach Bruce Cox. "He is a hard-worker both in the games and also in practice."

With the Rebel Wing-T offense, Rachal operates in more than one position. He can run the ball out of the I-formation and at wingback, and can also catch passes coming out of the backfield and from the receiver position. Because of this, his stats can sometimes be misleading.

"We could give Carl the ball 50 times a game and run

up his stats real high, but we prefer to give the ball to more than one player. This is why he doesn't get as many yards as other top backs," said Cox.

Rachal's number has been called enough to produce 525 yards over five games (for an impressive eight-yard per-carry ratio).

On defense, Rachal is just as dangerous. His three interceptions, (including two in the season opener), and aggressive tackling techniques have made college prospects open their eyes wide.

"He's real steady on defense," said Cox. "He plays very smart and also, because of his speed, he's tough to beat long."

As impressive as Rachal is on the field, he is just as impressive off the field. "You can't find a better person than Carl, he is just a super kid. He is a good student and a hard worker. He is also a great team player, he does whatever he can to help the team win," added Cox.

It will be Rachal who will lead his team against the tough Eunice Bobcats this Friday night at Clark Field. The Rebels are coming off a big 61-0 win over the Central Catholic Fighting Eagles, a game played in Morgan City.

Rachal picked up 89 yards on only seven carries against the Eagles, including a 66-yard touchdown dash. The second half was played by Rebel reserves, who finished the shutout.

The Bobcats will provide a stiff test for Teurlings. The Rebels begin district play next week and a victory over Eunice will give them some momentum needed

for district wars.

Eunice's record is now 3-2, but that mark is a bit misleading. Those two losses came within the first three weeks against two teams ranked in Class AAA.

The losses came at the hands of the Westlake High Rams and the Jennings High Bulldogs, both by one-point. Both teams are undefeated, with the Rams ranked 5th and the 'Dawgs 6th.

"This is a big game for us," said Cox. "This will show what we're made of."

It will be a battle of the Wing-T offenses, as the Bobcats also use various formations. They'll use a balanced attack, a little throw and a little pass.

Besides Rachal, Teurlings will look to senior quarterback George Murphy. Murphy has not had the stats of last year, but his contributions to the team have probably been more beneficial.

Murphy has run for five touchdowns and has also thrown for five more. His successful rushing abilities have also kept the defenses off-balanced.

Eunice is led by quarterback Scotty Fruge. A year ago, Fruge completed 66 of 124 passes during the regular season in leading his team to a 10-0 mark. The Bobcats advanced to the playoff semifinals, but fell to the Wessman Wildcats.

Tailback Dwight Collins is another weapon used by Head Coach Johnny Bourque. Collins, a 6-7, 150-pound senior, is an exciting all-purpose back, equally adept at both running and catching the ball.

Game time at Clark Field is set for 7:30 p.m.

• **IOTA-NOTRE DAME:** Someone should come away from this game with a win on Thursday night. Neither squad has left a football field victorious this year, both being 0-5.

The Pioneers, under long-time Head Coach Ashton Cassidy, have had their problems, but a tough pre-district slate may have prepared them for district action.

Notre Dame has lost to Westlake, St. Louis and Ville Platte, all undefeated teams. They have also lost to a tough Eunice squad and Sam Houston.

Cassidy will look to senior quarterback Chuck Habets for leadership. Halfback Shane Henry will also try to provide sparks to an offense which has scored seven points over five games.

Iota's pre-district slate was not as difficult as Notre Dame's, but the Bulldogs have lost a few close games which could have went either way.

• **OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC-CHURCH POINT:** In this contest, there is but one win between the two of them. Opelousas Catholic is struggling at 1-4, which is something Church Point would settle for.

The Bears, 0-5 on the year, lost another close game last week. They trailed 19-6 at Sacred Heart and cut the deficit to 19-18, but unfortunately for the Bears, that's how the game ended.

Their losing streak has now reached 15 straight, but the last two losses have been by two and one point respectively.



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Eunice defense, Ned runs spark Bobcats over Rebels

By BRAD HAWKINS

Staff Sports Writer

The Eunice Bobcats rolled into Clark Field Friday night and came away winners, defeating the Teurlings Catholic Rebels 21-9 in a well-played game.

Both teams could have come into this game looking ahead to next week, with the Rebels opening district play and the Bobcats taking on the Crowley Gents in a key 5-AAA district contest.

But the two squad came out firing away and never let up, treating the crowd on hand with an entertaining game.

Eunice pounced on Teurlings early, survived a few miscues midway through the game, and then clinched the victory late.

"We showed a great deal of character," said Bobcat Head Coach Johnny Bourque. "Teurlings has a good football team. We had eight juniors starting on defense and we wanted to see how good they would perform, and they did a good job."

The Bobcat defense was the key ingredient in the win. Teurlings standout Carl Rachal was never able to get rolling in the Rebel offense, picking up a mere 20 yards on only six carries.

The first quarter was scoreless, with only Eunice mounting a serious scoring threat. The Bobcats took the opening kickoff on marched 60 yards, mostly on passing strikes by quarterback Scott Fruge, but a 'Cat fumble ended the threat.

Eunice scored first on an eight-

play, 48-yard drive, culminated by a Derrick Ned four-yard score off left tackle with 8:54 left in the half. The key plays on the drive were a 16-yard pass from Leger to Derrick Rogers and a 20-yard burst up the middle by Ned.

The key Rebel in the contest was punter Damian Grossie. Grossie continually pinned Eunice against the own goalline with booming punts. In the second quarter, after a stalled Teurlings drive, Grossie kicked one 48 yards to the 'Cat 20-yard line.

Eunice could do nothing with the ball and punted, but the kick was blocked by Rebel Shawn Touchet.

The Bobcat defense did not bend and Teurlings had to settle for a George Murphy 37-yard field goal that would have been good from 50 yards.

With 20 seconds left in the half, Eunice scored when Fruge fired the ball over triple-coverage that was snared by tight end Cliff Lemelle. The play covered 39 yards and was the key play in the game.

Midway through the third quarter, the Rebels capitalized on a Bobcat fumble, one of four Eunice fumbles lost. Fruge fumbled the snap from center and Grossie fell on it, giving Teurlings first-and-goal from the visitors' one-yard line.

On the first play, Rachal went over and the lead was cut to five points with 3:10 left in the quarter. A two-point attempt failed, but the Rebs were back in the game.

Not only did the two-point con-

version fail, but Teurlings also damaged themselves with two unsportsmanlike penalties, resulting in a 30-yard penalty assessed on the ensuing kickoff.

That gave the Bobcats good field position at the Rebel 44-yard line. After a first down incompletion, Ned silenced a fired up home crowd with a 41-yard blast up the middle. Ned followed that up with a one-yard dive on a crucial play to cushion the Eunice lead.

Teurlings came back and drove to the 'Cat seven-yard line on the strength of a 37-yard strike from Murphy to split end Jeff Delhomme. Once again however, the young Eunice defense stiffened and the home team came away empty.

Teurlings ended their non-district schedule with an impressive 4-2 mark, and will begin district play next Friday night at Church Point.

The Bobcats, now 4-2 overall and 2-0 in district play, will host the Gents.

Eunice 21 Teurlings 9

Eunice..... 0 14 7 0-21
Teurlings..... 0 3 6 0-9

Eun—Derrick Ned 3 run (Scott Fruge kick).
Tch—George Murphy 37 field goal
Eun—Cliff Lemelle 39 pass from Scott Fruge (Fruge kick).
Tch—Carl Rachal 1 run (pass failed).
Eun—Ned 1 run (Fruge kick).

	Eun	Tch
First downs.....	16	12
Yards rushing.....	195	30
Yards passing.....	103	108
Comp att.....	6-7	10-25
Interceptions.....	0	2
Fumbles lost.....	5-4	1-0
Punts avg.....	5-29	6-45
Penalties.....	11-100	6-70



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Teurlings Rebels invade Church Point

By BRAD HAWKINS
Staff Sports Writer

CHURCH POINT — The 1986 high school football campaign has already gone through six weeks of action, and this Thursday night the Teurlings Catholic Rebels will open district play here against the Church Point High Bears.

The Rebels are coming off a 21-9 home defeat to the a tough Eunice Bobcat squad. At 4-2 on the season, both losses have come against Triple-A teams, the other being to the undefeated St. Louis Saints in Lake Charles, 23-12.

In both losses, the Rebels had chances to win. They led St. Louis 12-9 going into the final quarter, but the Saints scored two late touchdowns over a wet field to prevail.

Last Friday night, Teurlings drove the ball within the Bobcat 20-yard line on a few occasions, but thanks to a stingy Eunice defense, could come away with only nine points.

The Rebels, under first-year Head Coach Bruce Cox, are led by senior tailback Carl Rachal. Rachal has compiled 553 yards on 66 carries for an impressive 8.4 average per carry. He has also scored nine touchdowns.

Rachal is coming off his lowest rushing total, gaining 20 yards on six carries in the loss to Eunice.

Calling the signals for Teurlings will be senior quarterback George Murphy. Murphy completed 10-of-25 passes for 106 yards against the Bobcats last week and for the season has completed 39-of-87 aeriels for 503 yards and four touchdowns.

Murphy also doubles as place-kicker and booted one 37 yards the through the uprights against Eunice that had room to clear 50 yards. The punter, Damian Grossie, also had an outstanding performance, booming six punts for a 45-yard average. So the Teurlings kicking game seems to be in top form.

The Bears had much to celebrate last Thursday night in Opelousas.

After an 0-10 record a year ago, Church Point lost their first five games this season. But after coming close to victories two weeks prior, the Bears got by the Opelousas Catholic Vikings 10-7 in overtime.

Junior running back Michael Boutte, one of the few bright spots this season, picked up most of the team's 161 yards rushing and scored a touchdowns.

Russell Lornden kicked a 24-yard field goal in overtime and the Bear defense held the Vikings to clinch the win. Opelousas Catholic sent the game into overtime with 5:56 left in regulation.

Church Point's defense played well the entire game, limiting the Vikes to 125 rushing and 51 passing.

• OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC-10TA; The loss to the Bears dropped the Vikings to 2-4 overall and 0-1 in district play.

Besides Teurlings, Opelousas Catholic has the most wins between the five teams in district 5-AA.

Their defense was also stingy last Thursday night. They limited the Bears to 186 yards total offense, but it was nine penalties for 90 yards that helped do them in.

The Bulldogs are 0-6 and 0-1 in district play. They loss to a then-winless Notre Dame Pioneer team last Thursday night 28-0. Before that game, the Pioneers had scored seven points over five games.

• CENTRAL CATHOLIC-NOTRE DAME; Coach Ashton Cassidy's boys are coming off their first win, which couldn't have come at a better time.

If a squad is going to win games, it might as well be in district play. Playing a tough pre-district schedule certainly helped the Pioneers get ready for district action.

Thursday night's battle with the Fighting Eagles from Morgan City is a non-district contest, but is still important. A win will keep momentum on their side.



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TCHS slaps Bears 22-20

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The game was the district opener for the Rebels, while the Bears nearly pulled off a big upset after defeating Opelousas Catholic in their district opener a week prior.

Senior quarterback George Murphy led Teurlings, contributing on all 22 Rebel points. His long run from scrimmage and a key touchdown pass in the second half helped Teurlings overcome the upset-minded Bears.

It was Church Point who scored the game's first points. Running back Kevin Fall scored from three yards out and with Russell Lorden adding the PAT, the Bears had the lead after one quarter.

Teurlings came back to take the lead by halftime. Murphy found split end Jeff Delhomme for 25 yards and a touchdown. Later in the quarter, Murphy booted a 33-yard field goal for the lead.

The second half was an exciting 24 minutes. After a Church Point touchdown, Murphy scampered 60 yards for a Rebel score and added a 34-yard strike to running back Carl Rachal to give the visitors a 22-14 lead.

Church Point would not quit, marching 85 yards and scoring on a three-yard run by James Simien. The two-point conversion to tie the game with 1:17 to play was successful, but a penalty called it back. The second attempt failed and the Rebels escaped with a crucial victory.

Murphy ended with 54 yards on 11 carries and Rachal added 80 yards on eight carries. Delhomme caught four passes for 77 yards and contributed on defense with 12 tackles and three assists. Other standouts on defense were Troy Kling with 11 tackles and three assists and Mark Landry with 10 tackles.

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Teurlings 22 Church Point 20

Teurlings.....0 10 6 6—22
Church Point...7 0 7 6—20

CP—Kevin Fall 2 run (Russell Lorden kick).
TC—Jeff Delhomme 25 pass from George Murphy
(Murphy kick).
TC—Murphy 33 field goal.
CP—Jade Andrus 2 run (Lorden kick).
TC—Murphy 60 run (kick failed).
TC—Rachal 34 pass from Murphy (run failed).
CP—James Simien 3 run (pass failed).

	TCHS	CPHS
First downs.....	9	18
Yards rushing.....	139	259
Yards passing.....	71	27
Comp att.....	6 9	3 7
Interceptions.....	0	0
Fumbles lost.....	2 1	2 1
Punts avg.....	3 27	3 34
Penalties.....	4 40	3 25



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No surprises in 5-AA; Teurlings remains team to beat

By BRAD HAWKINS
Staff Sports Writer

After week seven, district 5-AA has shaped up mainly true to form as the Teurlings High Rebels seem to be the team to beat.

Last week in Church Point, the Rebels had a little trouble with the host Church Point Bears, but road the sparkling effort of senior quarterback George Murphy to wrap up their fifth win in seven games.

Murphy played a part in all 22 points scored by the offense. He scored a 60-yard touchdown run and added touchdown passes of 25 and 34 yards to Jeff Delhomme and Carl Rachal respectively.

The 6-3, 200-pounder also added a 25-yard field goal which ended up as a vital kick, with the final score being 22-20.

On the night, Murphy converted on six of nine aeriels for 71 yards and for the season has connected on 45 of 66 for 574 yards and four touchdowns.

Teammate Carl Rachal has put up impressive numbers of his own thus far. The senior picked up 80 yards on only eight carries last Thursday night, increasing his season totals to 635 yards on 74 yards for a hefty 8.7 yards per attempt. He has added nine touchdowns on the ground and one receiving.

This week's contest will pit the Rebels back in the friendly confines of Clark Field, battling the Iota High Bulldogs in their homecoming affair with kickoff slated for 7:30 p.m.

The Rebels and the Notre Dame High Pioneers are tied for first in district play with 1-0 records, but Notre Dame struggled immensely the first six games before beating Iota in week six, 28-6.

In addition to Murphy and Rachal, Head Coach Bruce Cox have a few more weapons he can call on to inflict damage.

Senior split end Jeff Delhomme has been a consistent performer on offense and defense. Delhomme grabbed his touchdown pass last week and finished the night with 77 yards on four grabs. Defensively, Delhomme came up with 12 solo tackles and three assists.

The Rebel defense has been a solid unit all season. Last week, in addition to Delhomme's play, Teurlings has good efforts from Troy Kling (11 solos and three

assists) and Mark Landry (10 solos).

Iota is another district 5-AA team with only one win, but their win certainly counted when they defeated Opelousas Catholic last Thursday night.

That contest was a thriller, with the Bulldogs prevailing 20-21 in triple overtime. Running back Winston Frey had a good game, gaining 80 yards on 20 carries and scoring one touchdown. Receiver Alexander St. Andre also had a nice effort with three catches for 39 yards and two scores, including the game winner.

At 1-1, Iota cannot afford to lose this one. Two losses in this district will be too many to grab a district title.

At 1-0, a Teurlings victory will enhance their chances for a playoff spot.

•NOTRE DAME-OPEL. CATH: This game will serve as a crucial one for the visitors and the role of spoiler for the home team.

The Pioneers are 1-0 in district and the Vikings are 0-2, but this contest looks to be a toss-up.

Notre Dame had an easy time of it against Iota, winning 28-6, but they still have been outscored 117-35 over seven games.

The Pioneers are led by senior quarterback Chuck Habel.

The Vikings are 0-2 in district, but both games went into overtime. Their overall mark is 1-6, but most of the losses have been very close ball games.

•PORT BARRE-CHURCH POINT: This is a non-district contest, but a win by the Bears over the fifth-ranked Class A Red Devils could help them with two district games left.

Church Point is 1-6 overall, but like Opelousas Catholic, most losses could have went either way, like the loss to Teurlings.

The Bears' lone win came at Opelousas Catholic 10-7 in overtime on Russell Lorden's field goal.

Port Barre is 6-1 overall, with their only loss coming at Plaquemine, with ace Ivory Keys on the bench with an injury.

Despite missing that game, Keys has hit on 1,018 yards on 137 carries and has scored 14 touchdowns.



The Rebel Machine

Members of the Rebel offensive machine which has been so productive this season are (from left) Jay Domingeaux (9), George Murphy (5), Head Coach Bruce Cox, Keith Porrier (30), and Scott

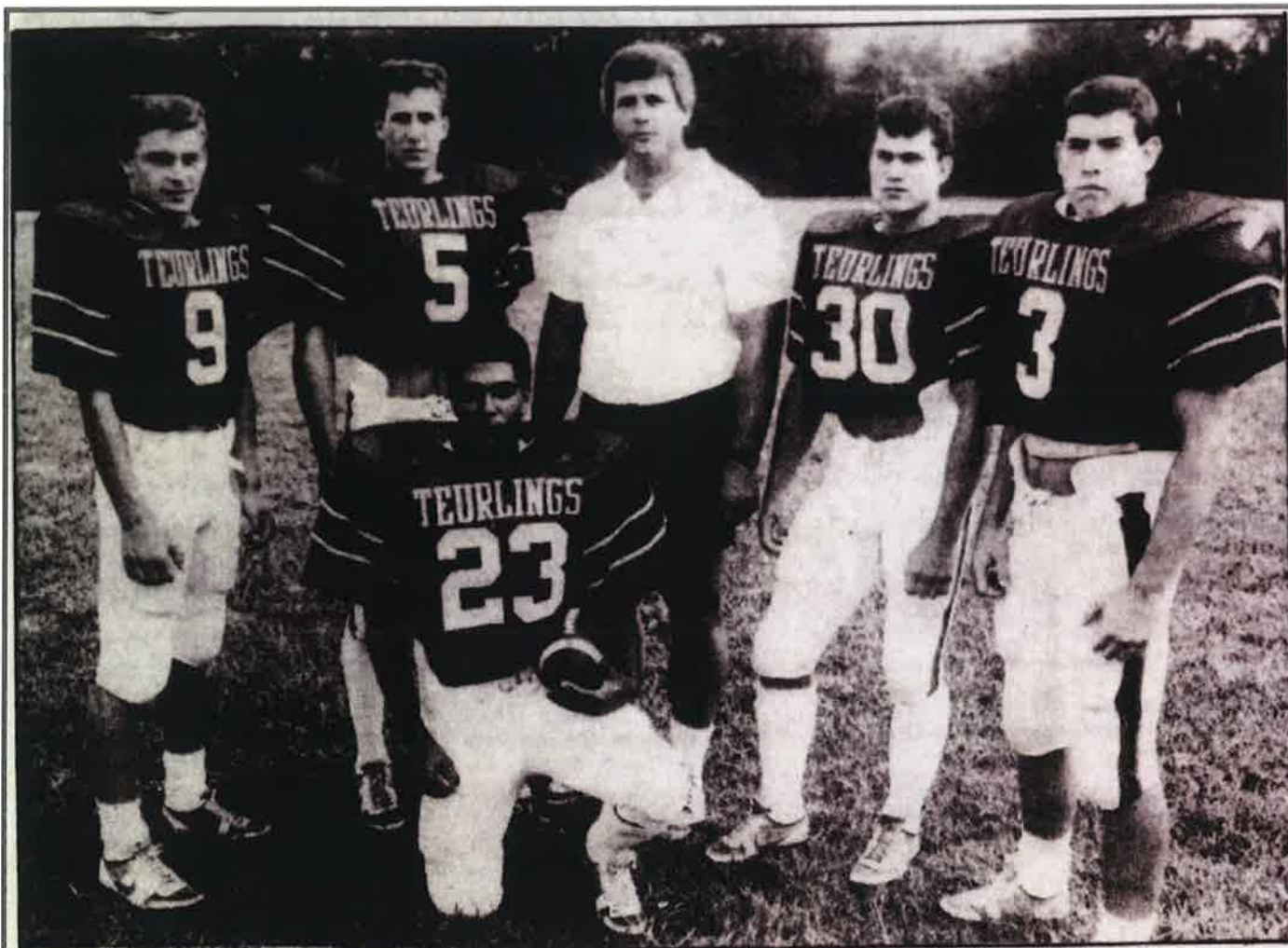
Deaton (3). Kneeling is Carl Rachal (23). The Rebels host Iota this Friday night at Clark Field for their annual homecoming ball game.



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Teurlings court

Teurlings Catholic High homecoming court includes (bottom row, left) senior maids Kelli Guidry, Lori Commagere, Jill Angelle, Darla Grossie, Christie Paul, (second row) maids Shannon Menard, Kristi Sonnier, Rhonda Richard, Nancy Fox, Tracie Doucet, (top row) maids Monique Simon and Jeanne Seaux. One will be picked as queen.



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Man on the run

THE ADVERTISER Donna Trahan

Carl Rachal, Teurlings High gives his imitation of superman, as he flys by faster than a speeding bullet in Friday night's game against Iota. Rachal had six touchdowns in leading the Rebels to a 64-21 win over Iota.



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Superhuman Rachal leads Teurlings to 64-21 win

By **BRAD HAWKINS**
Staff Sports Writer

Superman may be from the planet Krypton, but Iota players, coaches and fans would swear that he's from Lafayette, plays for Teurlings Catholic and wears No. 23.

Senior standout Carl Rachal put on a running clinic Friday night at Clark Field, scoring six touchdowns, as the Teurlings Rebels blasted the Iota High Bulldogs 64-21 in a 5-AA district contest.

Rachal's touchdowns varied from two yards to 80 yards and he finished the night with 163 yards rushing, increasing his season totals to 15 touchdowns and 799 rushing yards.

The win was a big one for Head Coach Bruce Cox and his squad as it sets up a district showdown next Thursday night in Crowley against the Notre Dame Pioneers.

"The kids did a great job," said Cox. "This is probably the most intensity we've shown this year. We concentrated much better than we did last week (a 22-20 win over Church Point)."

On the play of Rachal, Cox commented, "he's just a great player, everytime he gets his hands on the ball, he's capable of scoring."

Which is exactly what he demonstrated Friday night over a wet field with a little help from a few friends.

The Teurlings offensive line opened up numerous wide holes which enabled Rachal and his teammates to score untouched, an

accomplishment Cox was impressed with.

"I'd like to compliment those guys," said Cox. "They did a super job blocking for us. Anytime you rush the ball successfully, your offensive line has to be given some credit."

Teurlings opened the scoring midway through the first quarter when Keith Poirrier scored untouched from 20 yards out and the rout was on.

Rachal then got into the act with 3:22 left in the quarter. After a 33-yard pass from George Murphy to Jeff Delhomme, Rachal scored untouched from 11 yards out.

After a Bulldog fumble on the ensuing kickoff, Murphy hooked up with Delhomme again, this one covering 34 yards. On the next play, Rachal scored his second touchdown, but he was only warming up.

After an Iota punt which put the Rebels at their own 32, Rachal took the next play 68 yards, yes, untouched, to give TCHS a 29-0 lead after one quarter. They scored those 29 points within a five minute span.

The remaining three quarters were academic, with most of the crowd wondering how many points the home team could put up on the scoreboard.

Rachal scored his fourth and fifth touchdowns in the second quarter. With 9:42 left, he sprinted in from seven yards out and added a two-yard score three minutes later. Even

though halftime had not arrived, Rachal could have taken a bow before the home folks.

With the Rebels leading 44-0 at halftime, most of the crowd could have left, but they all stayed, probably asking each other, "how many touchdowns will Rachal score."

It seemed as though he'd finish with five, but with 8:18 left in the game, he took an Iota kickoff and went 80 yards for his sixth touchdown, the culmination of a superhuman effort.

Next Thursday night at Notre Dame is for the district title, a game Cox says "will be a war."

Teurlings 64 Iota 21

Iota.....0 0 7 14-21
Teurlings.....29 15 13 7-64

TCH—Keith Poirrier 20 run (George Murphy kick).
TCH—Carl Rachal 11 run (Troy Kling run).
TCH—Rachal 4 run (Murphy kick).
TCH—Rachal 68 run (Murphy kick).
TCH—Safety, punter falls on ball in end zone.
TCH—Rachal 7 run (Murphy kick).
TCH—Rachal 2 run (kick failed).
TCH—Poirrier 30 run (kick blocked).
IHS—Chad Miller 1 run (Wriborg kick).
TCH—Scott Deaton 53 run (Tyson Dupuis kick).
TCH—Scott Ledel 5 run (Wriborg kick).
TCH—Rachal 80 kickoff return (Dupuis kick).
IHS—Ledel 2 run (Wriborg kick).

	IHS	TCH
First downs.....	12	11
Yards rushing.....	174	362
Yards passing.....	17	101
Comp att.....	3-6	3-15
Interceptions.....	0	0
Fumbles lost.....	2-2	2-1
Punts avg.....	6-32	2-38
Penalties.....	3-20	2-10



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Teurlings battles dangerous Pios for 5-AA title

By Brad Hawkins
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CROWLEY — The Teurlings Catholic Rebels and the Notre Dame High Pioneers will go at it here Thursday night with the 5-AA district title on the line.

The Rebels, under Head Coach Bruce Cox, have had a consistent year thus far, going 6-2 overall and 2-0 in district, including last week's 57-21 stomping of the Iota Bulldogs.

Leading the way in that win was senior standout Carl Rachal. Rachal left the Iota coaches, players and fans shaking their heads after scoring six touchdowns and tallying 163 yards on 14 carries. He also added 123 yards on return yardage, including an 80-yard jaunt for a touchdown after an Iota kickoff.

For the season, Rachal increased his rushing total to 802 yards on 88 carries, and increased his touchdown total to 15 with two games remaining.

Quarterback George Murphy and receiver Jeff Delhomme hooked up for an outstanding

quarter-and-a-half. Murphy found Delhomme for three strikes totaling 101 yards over the first 18 minutes, with those three being the key plays in Rebel scoring drives.

Murphy's stats after eight games are 52-for-121 for 635 yards and four touchdowns. The senior has also added five touchdowns rushing.

The Pioneers, under longtime Head Coach Ashton Cassidy, should prove to be a formidable foe for the Rebels. Even though the Pios' overall mark is 2-6, the only record that counts is their 2-0 district mark, a mark which they have outscored their opponents 63-0.

Cassidy's troops have done an about-face thus far. Their tough non-district slate was just that, tough, and Notre Dame dropped all six of them, with a combined score of 20 points for the Pioneers and 135 for their opponents.

"Notre Dame played an awesome pre-district schedule," said Cox. "There are a lot of teams that would have went 0-6 against the teams they played — St. Louis, Eunice,

Ville Platte, Westlake, Sam Houston, Central Cath."

"It's going to be a war," added Cox. "Their defense is playing well. Last week they did not allow a first down in the game. It's obvious that they've put it together."

That tough schedule obviously toughened them up for district play. Notre Dame opened district play with a 28-0 victory at home, while last week the Pios again had little trouble, disposing of Opelousas Catholic 35-0, a game also played in Crowley.

Quarterback Brent Wyatt starred in both contests, throwing for two touchdowns and running for one in the first, and adding another throwing against the Vikings.

The Pio secondary also got into the act last week, intercepting two Brent Bordelon passes and returning them for scores.

Those victories were impressive by Notre Dame, but shutting down the Rebel offense will be a tremendous task.

"Teurlings certainly has one of the best AA teams in the state," said Cassidy. "They have what it takes to win: skill, speed and

depth. It's going to be a real challenge playing against Teurlings."

On Rachal, Cassidy said, "Rachal is an excellent player. It's almost impossible to stop him, but I just hope we can slow him down. On the other hand, they have other weapons — Murphy, Delhomme, Keith Parriner — they can use, so, it's going to be extremely tough."

• CHURCH POINT-IOTA: This one is a crucial game for the visitors, while the home team is playing out the string.

With a win over the Bulldogs, the Bears' district mark will be 2-1. If Teurlings defeats Notre Dame Tuesday night, the Pios would also be 2-1. The following week pits the Pios at Church Point which would decide the second playoff spot from district 5-AA.

Church Point's 1-7 overall mark is very misleading. The Bears, under Head Coach Mike Richard, have lost most of their games by ten points or less.

Their district win came against Opelousas Catholic, 19-7 in overtime. Their district loss

came at the hands of Teurlings in a close game, 22-20.

The Bears have a backfield tandem which is plug up yardage on the ground. Running backs Michael Boutte and Kevin Fall both went over the 100-yard mark in last week's 21-17 loss to Port Barre. Boutte rushed for 114 yards on 16 carries, while Fall had 163 on 30 carries.

For the season, Boutte, a junior, has compiled 733 yards on 129 carries and four touchdowns. Fall has 704 yards on 161 carries and also has four scores.

Iota will try to rebound from Carl Rachal's track marks from a week ago. The loss damaged any Bulldog hopes of playoff action, but they would enjoy playing spoiler this Friday night.

• SACRED HEART (VPI)-OPEL, CATH.: The Vikings are 0-3 and out of the district race, but a win here might help for next season.



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Delhomme leads Teurlings to 36-14 win and AA title

By Brad Hawkins
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CROWLEY — The Teurlings Rebels, showing a potent passing attack, drilled the Notre Dame High Panthers 36-14 Thursday night at Gardiner Memorial Stadium to capture the 5-AA district title.

Senior quarterback George Murphy erupted for 346 yards passing, hitting split end Jeff Delhomme on eight for 267 yards and three touchdowns.

Murphy's passing yardage and Delhomme's receiving yardage in the game was the most by single individuals in Louisiana high school football this year. Delhomme also intercepted a pass and went almost the full length of the field to ice the victory and the district title.

"The kids deserve this," said Head Coach B-100 Cox. "This was a

goal of theirs from the beginning of the season. They worked real hard and did a great job all season."

Teurlings scored first with 4:04 left in the first quarter. After the Rebel defense drove the Panthers backwards, Teurlings got the ball on the Notre Dame 30-yard line.

On a third-and-nine, Murphy found Delhomme over the middle and Delhomme ran it into the endzone for a 28-yard touchdown. Ty Kling found Scott Deaton open on the two-point conversion and an 8-0 lead.

The Rebel offense got the ball back quickly and went 51 yards for another score. Murphy hit Carl Rachal for a 14-yard screen pass, Jay Dumengeaux went 17 yards on a draw play and Murphy went to Britt Sommer for 11 more yards to set up the touchdown. Dumengeaux scored on an option from nine yards out on

the second play in the second quarter and the offense had already put enough points on the scoreboard.

Notre Dame's defense suddenly came alive, scoring on a 56-yard drive. The key play was a 12-yard pass from Brent Wyatt to Brady Thibodeaux. From the 10, Henry scored on second effort. Wyatt threw to John Morgan for the two-point conversion and the home team had pulled to within seven points.

Teurlings came right back and drove 75 yards in a hurry. The key plays were a 25-yard pass from Murphy to Delhomme and a 13-yard run by Rachal, who fumbled, but was recovered by teammate Gerald Callier.

Then, from the ND 29, Murphy found Delhomme open in the left corner of the end zone for a 22-0 halftime lead.

"Jeti (Delhomme) had one of the best games I've ever seen," said Cox. "Notre Dame did a good job of stopping the run in the beginning, so we started throwing the ball and it was successful, so we stayed with it."

"Murphy also had an outstanding game passing. He did a great job of hitting the receivers," added Cox. "This game showed how balanced our offense is. We're going to have a lot more rushing yardage for the season, but we can throw when we have to."

The second half was more of the same. On the second play of the second half, Murphy found Delhomme for a 69-yard touchdown and a 29-0 lead.

Murphy found Delhomme for a couple 25-yard strikes, Delhomme

catching the second one while parallel to the ground. The Rebels, however, couldn't score.

There wasn't another score until 6:41 left in the game. Notre Dame had continually lobbed the ball over the middle for completions throughout the game. But they tried it one time too many as Delhomme intercepted a Wyatt lob and used his 45 speed to trek 31 yards for the score and a 36-0 advantage for the visitors.

Notre Dame did salvage a bit of pride late in the game. They drove 52 yards, scoring with 41 seconds left on a two-yard dive by Shane Henry. They key plays were completions from Wyatt to Thibodeaux for 11, eight and 17 yards. Thibodeaux, a freshman, caught five passes for 60 yards and made a few great one-

hand catches. Teurlings, now 3-0 in district and 7-2 overall, will tune-up for playoff action next week at Clark Field against Opelousas Catholic.

Teurlings 36 Teurlings 14

Notre Dame 14 Notre Dame 0

Scoring: 1st Q - Delhomme 10 yards from George Murphy (Kling) 4:04

2nd Q - Jay Dumengeaux 17 yards from Murphy (Kling) 10:00

3rd Q - Kyle Smith 59 yards from John Morgan (Henry) 12:00

4th Q - Delhomme 28 yards from Murphy (Kling) 14:00

5th Q - Delhomme 11 yards from Murphy (Kling) 16:00

6th Q - Delhomme 31 yards from Wyatt (Delhomme) 6:41

7th Q - Shane Henry 2 yards (41 seconds)

Final Score: Teurlings 36, Notre Dame 14

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Offensive outbursts highlight player of week selections

Lets hope no one takes "offense," but picking an offensive player for the Advertiser/Coca Cola Player of the Week was virtually impossible to do this week.

At this point of the season just about every game is critical and every performance has a significant impact on these crucial games. But it is not often that you have four superb performances like those that occurred in the Acadian area last Thursday and Friday night.

Teurlings Catholic's George Murphy and Jeff Delhomme, Carencro's James Arnaud and Kaplan's Francis Touchet, all, had what can be deemed superhuman performances last week. In all fairness, the four of them will share offensive player of the week honors. And since offense seemed to highlight week nine, no defensive player will be selected this week.

It has taken nearly a entire season for Murphy to live up to the preseason hype, but the Rebel's rocket armed signal caller finally came through with his best night as a prepster.

All Murphy did last Thursday night was complete 11 of 19 passes for 346 yards, and three touchdowns to lead Teurlings Catholic to an impressive 36-14 win over Notre Dame.

Those figures were not only Murphy's best as a prepster, but it was also in the state in all classes. As a side note, his passing performance also was instrumental in leading Teurlings to the 5-AA crown.

While Murphy was having his record setting night, teammate Delhomme was doing bad either. Delhomme finished the evening with an amazing 9 catches for 267 yards and all three touchdowns.

The speedy flanker managed to average a nifty 29.7

yards average per catch. His performance was not the most catches in a single game, but the yardage and average eclipsed the previous mark by some 50 yards.

"Jeff had one of the best games I've ever seen," said Teurlings Head Coach Bruce Cox. "Notre Dame did a good job of stopping the run in the beginning, so we started throwing the ball and as you can see it was very successful."

"Murphy did a super job of throwing the football. Jeff did a great job catching it and they deserve a lot of credit for a job well done," said Cox.

"This game showed that we are a running team, but we can throw the ball, and throw it well, when we have to."

Carencro Head Coach Pat Kee was the singing the praise of his quarterback James Arnaud after last Friday's tough 15-14 loss to the Alexandria Senior High Trojans.

Arnaud, a nifty runner, really strutted his stuff against the Trojans as he finished the night with 215 yards on just 11 carries. And if you haven't already guessed that's a 19.2 average per carry.

But what was really amazing was the fact that Arnaud also scored four touchdowns on runs of 5, 59, 58 and 54 yards.

"It was the finest performance I've ever seen," said Kee. "I've never in all my years of coaching seen a better performance. James could not play any better than he did last Friday night. I just hate it was in a losing cause."

It seems people are starting to expect big offensive performances from Kaplan's Touchet. The baby face ball has already scored 17 touchdowns on the season and has over 600 yards rushing to help the Kaplan Pirates to its No. 1 ranking and undefeated record.

But Friday night, the senior fullback dug a little deeper and came up with a phenomenal game as he led the Pirates to their biggest win of the season a 34-28 triple overtime victory over the Patterson Lumberjacks.

Down 14-6 at the half, Kaplan behind the four touchdown performance of Touchet came back to score two touchdowns in regulations, a first touchdown in the first overtime, and the clinching touchdown in the final overtime. The final touchdown saw Touchet carry six men to the endzone.

The victory was the 20th regular season win for the Pirates and the ninth straight win this season. It also clinched the 7-AA crown for Kaplan.

"Francis just a fantastic ball game for us," said Kaplan Head Coach Gerald Laughlin. "I've said all along that he is a fine running back and he really showed everyone a lot tonight."

High School Prep Honorable Mentions

• Crowley High Damon Stutes completed 11 of 24 for 179 yards and a touchdown, scored two more touchdowns to lead his Gents to a wild 42-35 win over Ville Platte and the district championship.

• Crowley High's Shane Garrett caught seven passes for 105 yards in the big win over Ville Platte and ran for a touchdown.

• Carencro's John Zenon had an interception, 12 unassisted tackles, seven assists in a losing effort Friday night against the Alexandria Senior High Trojans.

• Northside's Kenneth Martin in the title game against E.D. White had 13 solo tackles, 10 assists, and one interception in the end zone to stop a White drive.

• Acadiana's Kenny George had 10 tackles, six

unassisted, and four assists in a 21-6 win over Frankan Friday night.

• Comeaux's Darrell Prejean finished the night with 21 carries and 113 yards while leading the Spartans to a solid 17-7 win over Morgan City.

• Lafayette's David George scampered for a season high 164 yards on just 13 carries and two touchdowns in Lafayette's stunning 26-21 win over Opelousas.

• Crowley's Kirk Landry had 189 yards on 14 carries in his team's win over Ville Platte.

• Opelousas Catholic's Eliot Williams finished the night with 218 yards and four touchdowns to lead OCHS to a 27-14 win over Sacred Heart of Ville Platte.

• St. Thomas More's Chad Guillory led the Cougars to a 41-14 win over Riverview by rushing for 181 yards and two touchdowns.

• Eunice's Derrick Ned had 144 yards to lead the Bobcats to a 41-0 win over Abbeville.

• Sunset's Quinton Winfrey had touchdown runs of 42 and 83 yards while wracking up 147 yards rushing to lead Sunset to a 17-14 win over Hayne.

• Loreauville's Derwin Antoine finished his night's work with 163 yards on 16 carries and two touchdowns in leading his Tigers to a 50-12 win over Delcambre.

• Church Point's Kevin Fall has been hot of late and Friday was no different as he amassed 162 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Bears to a 12-7 win over Iota.

• Rowdy Boudreaux and Scott Goulas teamed up to lead Harcoe to a 53-13 win over Gueydan. The pair helped their team roll up an impressive 488 yards in rushing offense.

• Erath's Edson Davis had 25-160 yards night and scored a touchdown to lead Erath over North Vermilion by a 12-0 count.



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• **OPELOUSAS CATH.-TEURLINGS;** The Rebels, under Head Coach Bruce Cox, will tune-up for playoff action this Friday night, hosting the 0-3 Vikings.

Last week, the passing attack, led by senior quarterback George Murphy and senior split end Jeff Delhomme, exploded for 346 yards. Murphy completed 12-of-21 passes for the yards and three scores, while Delhomme caught nine for 267 yards and all the scores. Both yardage marks are tops in the state for all classes.

Murphy's performance moved his season passing totals to 62-of-125 for 1,085 yards and eight touchdowns. Delhomme's totals also shot up, 724 yards on 30 receptions and six touchdowns.

Running back Carl Rachal had an ankle problem against Notre Dame, but was not needed much. He did manage to rush for 55 yards on eight carries, increasing his totals to 857 yards on 100 attempts and 16 touchdowns.

The Rebel defense also has been playing good. Last week, they were led by the aggressive play of Mark Landry and Troy Kling.

The Vikings are coming off a 27-14 victory. Elliott Williams scored all four touchdowns for OC and rushed for 218 yards.



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Rachal helps Rebels tune up for playoffs

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The Teurlings Catholic Rebels, led by the awesome Carl Rachal, poured it on the Opelousas Catholic Vikings early and never let up, pounding the Vikings 34-3 in a tune-up contest for Teurlings.

The Rebels ended regular season play with the district title at 4-0 and 8-2 overall, and were clearly head-and-shoulders above their 5-AA foes.

Teurlings, as the 5-AA winner, will host a wild-card entry to be named Sunday afternoon. The game will be at Clark Field next Friday night.

Friday night's game against Opelousas Catholic was never much in doubt. The Rebel defense stuffed the Vike running attack, which had been very successful last week, while Rachal ran through the OC defense for 184 yards on 12 carries, and had 149 on punt and kickoff returns for 333 yards total offense and four touchdowns.

After George Murphy missed wide right on a 41-yard field goal with 6:13 left in the first quarter, the Rebels came back to score the winning points two minutes later.

After the Teurlings defense stopped Opelousas Catholic, Rachal fielded a Viking punt at his own 45-yard line and jaunted 55 yards for a touchdown, which was all the points the Rebs would need on this night.

They scored more however. With 20 seconds left in the first quarter, Rachal scored from the four-yard line. The key plays on the 55-yard drive were runs of 26 and 19 by Murphy.

Jeff Delhomme then intercepted a Brent Bordenon pass on the next series and caught an 11-yard TD pass from Murphy with 6:29 left in the first half. The key play on the drive was a 31-yard run by Rachal.

On the next Rebel drive, Rachal had runs of 19 and 31 to set up his own six-yard touchdown run with 3:12 left in the half.

After another Delhomme interception, his third in two weeks, Rachal went for 26 yards and went over the 1,000 mark. He then carried one for 14 to set up a Scott Deaton five-yard score to give the home team a 33-0 halftime lead. Rachal ended the half with 182 yards on 11 carries.

As if the Vikings didn't see enough of Rachal in the first half, he returned in the second half and took the second-half kickoff 90 yards for his fourth touchdown and 19th of the season, and then took the rest of the night off.

The Vikings, who were held to 25 yards total offense in the first half, did move the ball in the second half. Elliott Williams, who was coming off a 218-yard performance, picked up 55 yards in the second half to end with 47 on 19 carries.

After a couple more Rebel scores by their reserves, the Vikings did get on the board in the game's waning moments on a 28-yard field goal by Steven Trombly.

Teurlings amassed 378 yards total offense, including 367 rushing, while their tenacious defense held OC to 59

yards total offense.

Sparkling on defense for the Rebs were Mark Landry, who had 12 solo tackles and one assist and Troy Kline, who had five solos and eight assists.

The probable opponent for Head Coach Bruce Cox and his troops is Loreauville, who defeated Catholic High of New Iberia on Friday night.

Church Point.....19
Notre Dame.....10

CHURCH POINT — The Church Point Bears rode the offensive and defensive antics of junior Michael Boutte and came from behind to beat the Notre Dame Pioneers 19-10 and advance to the AA playoffs next Friday night at home against Haynesville.

Despite their 3-7 record, the Bears advanced due to their three wins coming within the district. Both teams were 2-7 overall, but 2-1 in district play and this contest was for the runner-up spot in 5-AA.

The Pioneers took a quick lead in the first quarter when Shane Henry went over from the one-yard line to give the Pios a 7-0 lead.

They increased the lead to 10-0 in the second quarter on a 20-yard field goal by Allen Hebert.

The Bears came out of hibernation in the second quarter. Boutte found Al Elkins for a halfback pass covering 29 yards and a TD to cut the lead to 10-7.

They took the lead for good later in the quarter when Elkins was again on the receiving end of a score, this one from 55 yards from Jade Andrus. The Bears had a 13-10 halftime edge.

The home team cushioned their lead in the third when Boutte picked off a Notre Dame and raced 87 yards for a touchdown. He finished with three interceptions. There was no more scoring in the game and Church Point had the win and the playoff ticket.

Loreauville.....26
Catholic NI.....0

NEW IBERIA — This contest was another battle for a playoff spot, with the Tigers claiming a 26-0 shutout over the Panthers.

Derwin Antoine led the visitors with 143 yards on 22 carries. He scored touchdowns of 18 and nine yards in the first and third quarters.

Their other scores came in the fourth quarter. Jim Judice threw two touchdown passes to seal the victory.

Troy Tauriac led the home team with 98 yards on 21 carries.

Erath.....28
Delcambre.....0

DELCAMBRE — Edson Davis led the Bobcats with 182 yards on 31 carries, leading Erath to a 28-0 win over the Panthers.

Davis had touchdown runs of two and four yards and David Harrington threw a 32-yard TD to Frankie Price and later ran one in from 11 yards for all the game's scoring.

Erath had 425 yards total offense, while Delcambre had 176 total.



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Fumbles lost	0 0	0 0
Punts avg	1 29	4 40
Penalties	5 55	6 51

Church Point 19	
Notre Dame 10	
Notre Dame.....	0 0 0 0-10
Church Point.....	0 12 6 0-19

N D—Shane Henry 1 run (Hebert kick)
N D—Allen Hebert 20 Field Goal
C P—Al Elkins 29 pass from Michael Bouite (Lorden)
C P—Al Elkins 35 pass from Jean Andrus (kick fail)
C P—Michael Bouite 67 pass intercept (kick fail)

	N.D.	C.P.
First downs	104	5
Yards rushing	129	63
Yards passing	74	119
Comp-att	5-13	3-8
Interceptions	4	0
Fumbles lost	0-0	0-0
Punts avg	4 29	5 35
Penalties	6 75	3 40

Ville Platte 9	
Mamou 6	
Mamou.....	0 0 0 0-6
Ville Platte.....	0 0 7 3-9

Mamou—Mack Guillory 3 run (kick failed)
VIP—Chris LeDay 14 pass from James Freeman (Chad Ortega kick)
VIP—Slaty, Guillory fumbled in end zone

	Mamou	VIP
First downs	15	10
Yards rushing	127	83
Yards passing	42	69
Comp-att	3-14	6-13
Interceptions	1	2
Fumbles lost	6-2	5-2
Punts avg	3 35	2 40
Penalties	4 20	0 75

Teurlings 54	
Opel. Cath. 3	
Opel. Cath.....	0 0 0 0-3
Teurlings.....	12 21 14 7-54

TCH—Carl Rachal 55 punt return (run failed).
TCH—Rachal 4 run (run failed).
TCH—Jeff Delhomme 11 pass from George Murphy (Rachal run).
TCH—Rachal 4 run (George Murphy kick).
TCH—Scott Deaton 5 run (kick blocked).
TCH—Rachal 10 kickoff return (Murphy kick).
TCH—Deaton 15 run (Murphy kick).
TCH—Trey Andries 3 run (Tyson Dupuis kick).
OC—Steven Trumby 38 field goal.

	OC	TCH
First downs	9	13
Yards rushing	11	267
Yards passing	40	11
Comp-att	7 19-3	7 7-0
Fumbles lost	1-0	1-0

Punts avg	7 33	2 51
Penalties	5 65	4 40

Vermillion Cath. 34	
Iota 3	
V. Cath.....	7 12 15 0-34
Iota.....	0 0 0 0-3

VC—Blaze Hawthorne 8 run (Hawthorne kick).
Iota—Brian Wriborg 24 Field Goal
VC—Neil O'Neal 67 pass from Hawthorne (kick fail)
VC—Gary Landry 8 run (kick fail)
VC—Gary Landry 7 run (St Romaine run)
VC—Gary Landry 17 run (Hawthorne kick)

	V.C.	Iota
First downs	12	13
Yards rushing	204	203
Yards passing	180	26
Comp-att	7-13	6-13
Interceptions	1	1
Fumbles lost	3-1	3-2
Punts avg	3 45	5 20
Penalties	4 35	0-0

Loreauville 26	
Catholic NI 0	
Loreauville.....	0 0 0 10-26
Catholic NI.....	0 0 0 0-0

LHS—Darwin Antoine 10 run (kick failed)
LHS—Antoine 9 run (Bryen Lora pass from Jim Judice)
LHS—Nora 3 pass from Judice (kick failed)
LHS—Nora 13 pass from Judice (kick failed)

	LHS	CNI
First downs	9	12
Yards rushing	174	140
Yards passing	39	23
Comp-att	4-7-1	3-9-6
Fumbles lost	4-1	0-5
Punts avg	3 46	6 34
Penalties	4 45	0 20

Eunice 31	
Wayne 6	
Eunice.....	19 7 6 0-32
Wayne.....	0 0 0 0-0

Eun—Emrick Rogers 2 run (Grant Fontenot kick)
Eun—Derrick Ned 5 run (pass failed)
Eun—Earl Kelley 22 pass from Scott Fruge (kick failed)
Eun—Rogers 9 run (Fontenot kick)
Eun—Ned 34 run (kick blocked)
Way—Wayland Cary 15 pass from Shane Leger (kick blocked)

	Eunice	Wayne
First downs	19	5
Yards rushing	336	40
Yards passing	89	40
Comp-att	5-13	3-0
Interceptions	0	0
Fumbles lost	3-0	0-1
Punts avg	2 41	7 34
Penalties	11 100	0 20



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• **DISTRICT 5-AA: Teurlings Catholic** wrapped up its district championship with a 34-14 win over Notre Dame last week and used its win over Opelousas Catholic as a tune up for the playoffs. The Rebels of Coach Bruce Cox will host a wild card team at Clark Field in the first round of the playoffs.



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Hypolite, Antoine honored

Breaux Bridge Head Coach Mike Mowad knew he needed a spark if his Tigers were to beat Northside last Friday night. Resting on the outcome of the game was the 7-AAA runnersup slot and a spot in the playoffs.

Mowad didn't get just a spark, but a raging fire storm in the form of one Peter Hypolite. Hypolite was a one man wrecking crew as he led Breaux Bridge's defense in a stirring second half rally that saw the Tigers overcome the Vikings 33-22.

For his efforts, Hypolite was named as this week's Advertiser/Coca Cola defensive Player of the Week. Loreauville's Derwin Antoine was named as the offensive player of the week.

Hypolite, a true team player, was virtually all over the field Friday night as he not only starred on defense, but also had a pretty good night offensively.

The two-way starter for the Tigers had 10 tackles (five solo and five assists); three pass break ups; one interception that he returned for 73 yards; one kickoff return for 18 yards; seven carries for 39 yards and scored two touchdowns (on 10 and 20-yard runs).

"We needed a big game and he gave us the biggest last Friday night," said Tiger Head Coach Mike Mowad. "He is an unselfish player which is evident by what he did for us against Northside. He's been that way all season long. No matter what it takes, all that matter is the team."

Another tremendous team player that is rapidly leaving his mark at his school is Loreauville's Antoine.

Only a junior, he has already rushed for over 3,000 yards in his short career and he added to that total Friday night. His rushing performance (22-142 yards and two touchdowns) helped to lead Loreauville to a 26-0 whitewashing of district foe Catholic High of New Iberia.

The victory was sweetened by the fact it allowed Loreauville to finish with a 7-3 overall mark and earn a AA playoff berth as a wild card.

For the season the slender Antoine has wracked up an impressive 1,635 yards on 221 carries and 19 touchdowns. He averages 163.5 yards rushing per game and a 7.4 yard average per carry.

"He's a complete runner," said Loreauville Head Coach Dirk Crochet. "He's got moves that are not taught and seldom seen. He's one fine athlete."

The final week of the regular season saw some impressive performances in some significant games. Here is a list of honorable mentions.

- Carencro's James Arnaud rushed for 107 yards on 18 carries and a touchdown to lead the Golden

Bears to a 20-19 win over Carencro High School. Arnaud plays quarterback for Carencro.

- Erath's Edson Davis used his final game of the 86 season to dazzle the Delcambre defense piling up 192 yards on 31 carries and two touchdowns in a 28-0 win over the Panthers.

- Teurlings Catholic's Carl Rachal had his best night as a Rebel last Friday as he finished with 335 yards in total offense. Rachal had 184 yards on 12 carries and two touchdowns while adding 149 yards of return yards and another touchdown to his total. Teurlings whipped Opelousas Catholic 54-3.

- Northside's P.D. Broussard had a 230-yard performance last Friday night in a losing cause. Broussard, the Vikings leading rusher, picked up his yardage on 22 carries and scored a touchdown, but Breaux Bridge took a 33-22 win over the Vikes.

- Vermilion Catholic's Gary Landry had himself a pretty good night offensively as he carried 98 yards and scored three touchdowns to lead his Eagles to a 34-3 win over Iota.

- Eunice High's Derrick Ned busted loose for 153 yards on 16 carries and two touchdowns in the Bobcats season finale 32-6 win over Rayne.

- Crowley High's Damon Stutes was a bright star for the Gents as he threw for 171 yards and a touchdown to lead the Gents to a 52-0 win over Abbeville. Stutes, who has completed well over 50 percent of his passes for the season, hit on 10 of 13 for the night.

- St. Martinville's Cornelius Gedward had a super night in leading his Tigers to a 28-21 win over Opelousas. Gedward has 305 yards in total offense on the evening. He had 101 yards on 22 carries, four catches for 91 yards and a touchdown, 108 yards in punt and kickoff returns.

- Acadiana's Ronald Duhon added a nice finish to a fine season with his 132 yard performance on 17 carries. The senior tailback went over the 1,000 yard mark by 26 yards.

- New Iberia's Chris Walker had his best night rushing with a 141-yard total on 20 carries in helping NISH beat Franklin and capture second place in 5-AAAA.

- Breaux Bridge's Corey Wiltz had touchdown runs of 51 and 56 yards Friday night and 141 yards on 17 carries to lead his Tigers to a 33-22 win over Northside.

- Church Point's Michael Boutle usually has his name mentioned a lot carrying the football, but he intercepted three passes in a 19-10 win over Notre Dame.



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Defense not the story in clash between Teurlings-Loreauville

By **BRAD HAWKINS**

Staff Sports Writer

One season is over and now another one begins.

The first round of the AA high school playoffs begins Friday night at Clark Field as the Teurlings Catholic Rebels hosts the Loreauville High Tigers at Clark Field at 7:30 p.m.

The Rebels, under Head Coach Bruce Cox, breezed through district 5-AA, defeating their four opponents by a combined score of 176-58, or 44 points per game for Teurlings and 14 for the opposition.

For the season, their record is 8-2. They've averaged 35 points per game and given up 12. The two losses came to AAA schools St. Louis (23-12) and Eunice (21-9).

The Rebels' impressive offensive numbers have been balanced between the run and pass. Carl Rachal has been consistently great all season, rushing for over 1,000, while catching passes, intercepting passes on defense, returning punts and kickoffs, and he finished the regular season with 19 touchdowns. Against Iota, the senior scored six touchdowns.

The Teurlings ground attack has been their main forte all season, but they have proven that they can pass the ball fairly well also.

In week nine, versus Notre Dame for the district title, quarterback George Murphy completed 12-of-21 passes for 346 yards. He completed

nine to split end Jeff Delhomme for 267 yards and three touchdowns.

Loreauville Head Coach Kirk Crochet knows stopping the Rebel attack will not be easy.

"Teurlings has so many weapons, it's hard to concentrate on any one man," said Crochet. "Rachal is an exceptional player. He can do everything and he can break your back with the big play."

"They also have Murphy and Delhomme who they can go to. Murphy can run or throw and Delhomme is just a super receiver," added Crochet.

The Tigers, who are a wild-card entrant at 7-3 overall and 5-2 in district play, will counter with running back Derwin Antoine.

Antoine, a junior, rushed for 1,638 yards for a 7.5 average during the regular season. His high game this year was 264 yards on 24 carries against Central Catholic in week one.

Jim Judice is the Tiger quarterback, and he has been effective. Throughout the season, Judice has kept defenses off balanced with pin-point passing.

"Loreauville is extremely dangerous," said Cox. "Anytime Antoine touches the ball, he is capable of scoring and their quarterback can throw very well."

This game certainly has the makings for a high-scoring game, and the crowd on hand should be treated to an exciting game.

• **HAYNESVILLE-CHURCH POINT**; This contest features two teams with under-500 records, but both finished district play as runners-up.

The Bears, under Head Coach Mike Richard, started slowly, losing five games by a total of 12 points. Then, in district play, they beat Iota, Opelousas Catholic and Notre Dame. They lost to Teurlings 22-20.

The Golden Tornadoes will have to stop the Bear tandem of Kevin Fall and Michael Boutte. Fall has rushed for 900 yards on 203 carries, while Boutte has 730 on 167. Boutte also displayed his defensive prowess last week, intercepting four passes against Notre Dame.

Haynesville, a former single-A power, is led by quarterback Taijuan Thomas. Thomas leads the Golden Tor rushing attack and can throw when called upon.

"Overall, Haynesville is a very good football team," said Richard. "Offensively, they run the option very well and they throw the ball fairly also. Defensively, their linebackers are great athletes and they read offenses very well."

The Bears have been playing better in the latter part of the season.

"We're playing with much more confidence now," said Richard. "We're going into games expecting to win, and now, it seems like we can find a way to win."



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Rebel machine

Leading Head Coach Bruce Cox's Teurlings Catholic Rebels to the Class AA state playoffs was the Rebels' talented offensive backfield. Pictured

above is Cox with that backfield that consists of Jay Domengeaux, George Murphy, Carl Rachal, Keith Porrier and Scott Deaton.



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Teurlings overcomes all, but fate; Loreauville shocks Rebels 26-20

By BRAD HAWKINS
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The old saying, "you can't beat fate," certainly ran true Friday night at Clark Field as the Loreauville Tigers defeated the Teurlings Rebels 26-20 in bi-district Class AA playoff action.

With five ticks left in the game, the Rebels lined up for a potential game winning field goal from 26 yards out. Teurlings place-kicker George Murphy, who had been perfect on two field goal attempts previously, had this one blocked. Tiger star Derwin Antoine picked up the ball and raced 70 yards on the game's last play for an unbelievable finish.

"The blocked field goal was a set play," said Loreauville Head Coach Kirk Crochet. "We sent Glenn Belaire from the left side and Dwight Vital from the left and Glenn blocked it. When I saw Derwin (Antoine) pick the ball up, I knew it was over."

The Tigers won the game after trailing at halftime and picking up only one first down in the second half.

The homestanding Rebels controlled the ball almost the entire second half, with their offense staying on the field for 19 of a possible 24 minutes.

The blocked kick served as a fitting ending to an exciting, action-packed game which could have went either way, and did.

The Rebels opened the scoring midway through the first quarter. Engineered by standout quarterback George Murphy, Teurlings drove 78

yards on 12 plays. The key plays on the drive were Jay Domengeaux's 20-yard burst up the middle, Carl Rachal's 18-yard run, breaking four tackles, and two completions from Murphy to split end Jeff Delhomme.

The score came from the Tiger seven-yard line when Murphy found Delhomme open on a slant-in.

Loreauville came back midway through the second quarter. Starting from their own 18, the Tigers rode the gains of 12, 12 and 22 by Antoine as key plays to get the ball down to the Rebel one-yard line.

Quarterback Jim Judice went over and the game was tied.

Teurlings came right back with a six-play, 80-yard drive. On a second-and-four, Murphy broke four tackles and picked up 23 yards. On the play, however, he suffered a badly injured left shoulder, and was replaced by Domengeaux.

Domengeaux, looking like a seasoned veteran, raced 37 yards around right end for a touchdown and another Rebel lead.

The visitors came back and scored before the half ended on a 30-yard pass from Judice to tight end Lawrence Jones, but a bad snap on the extra point left them behind 14-13 at the half. Then the fun started.

Teurlings took the second half kickoff and drove 79 yards. Murphy, with his left arm hanging limp at his side, made a galian return, completing a couple passes and then Scott Deaton went for 29 to set up a 26-yard field goal by Murphy for a 17-13 TCH lead.

With 11:00 left in the game, a punt snap sailed high above Damian Grossie's hands, and the Tigers were

in business at the TCH nine. They scored three plays later.

The Rebels tied the game at 20 on a 45-yard field goal by Murphy, set up by a great reception by Delhomme which covered 30 yards.

Teurlings started the final drive at their own-23. With 1:00 left, Deaton burst though the middle for 34 yards down to the Tiger 10. The Rebs let the clock run down to five seconds. Then, THE PLAY happened, and the east side of Clark Field went into bedlam and left the Rebel backers stunned.

Teurlings outgained Loreauville 492-298 in total offense. Rachal picked up 166 yards, Deaton had 116 and Delhomme caught seven passes for 71 for TCH, while Antoine had 103 for the visitors.

Loreauville will travel to play Rosenwald, who beat St. Martin's 35-7, next Friday night for second round playoff action.

Loreauville 26, Teurlings 20

Loreauville.....0 13 0 13-26
Teurlings.....7 7 3 3-20

TCH—Jeff Delhomme 7 pass from George Murphy (Murphy kick).
LHS—Jim Judice 1 run (Jonh Theriot kick).
TCH—Jay Domengeaux 37 run (Tyson Dupuis kick).
LHS—Lawrence Jones 30 pass from Judice (kick failed).
TCH—Murphy 26 field goal.
LHS—Antoine 1 run (Theriot kick).
TCH—Murphy 45 field goal.
LHS—Antoine 70 return of blocked field goal.

	Lor	TCH
First downs.....	9	22
Yards rushing.....	255	336
Yards passing.....	45	156
Comp att.....	3-10-1	15-23-0
Fumbles lost.....	3-1	1-1
Punts avg.....	3-33	3-10
Penalties.....	7-65	11-75



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By KEVIN FOOTE

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Although there are no Lafayette parish high school football teams left in the state playoffs, it still has been a most exciting football season never the less.

There were so many great individual performances turned in by players from the seven parish teams, that it made competition for the 1986 *Daily Advertiser*-Coca-Cola All-Parish Team extremely stiff.

The seven teams combined for a 41-29 regular season mark and a 29-18 showing against district opponents, while producing five 1,000-yard rushers.

With that many explosive offensive players, choosing the most valuable offensive player was no easy task. The nod, however, goes to Carencro High's senior quarterback James Arnaud, who led the Golden Bears to their first-ever trip to the AAAA state playoffs.

Of the five local backs that surpassed the 1,000-yard mark, Arnaud was probably the least flashy of the bunch. However his leadership and instinctive moves displayed through a tough District 5-AAAA schedule, which enabled Carencro to go 7-1, in only his first year of starting made him extremely valuable to his club. Much more so than the quicker running backs.

On the season, the 5-9, 170-pounder carried the ball 143 times for 1,075 yards and 13 touchdowns, while also accounting for 338 yards and four more scores through the air. His biggest night of the season was a non-district contest at Alexandria, in which he ran for 212 yards on 11 carries and scored four times on runs of 59, 58, 58 and four yards.

Possibly his most significant run of the season, however, was a 65-yard TD scamper to begin Carencro's comeback against Acadiana that resulted in a 27-20 victory for the Golden Bears.

While the battle in the offensive backfield was competitive, the war for the linebacking spot was equally as fierce. In District 5-AAAA, the two standouts in scoring defense were the New Iberia Yellow Jackets and the Acadiana Rams.

Leading the Ram defensive surge from his linebacking position all season is this year's Defensive Most Valuable Player, senior Jonathan Carmouche.

Carmouche, a 5-10, 185-pounder, led Coach Willard Hanks' defense, which yielded only 12.3 points per game, with 52 solo tackles, 56 assists, three interceptions from his linebacking spot and two fumble recoveries. He was a second-team District 5-AAAA selection.

Carmouche was joined by several others in playing good defense, but it was the talented group of explosive offensive players that was the story around the Acadiana football area this year.

Arnaud had one of them in his own backfield in 5-9, 160-pound junior Kennan Ryan. Ryan carried the ball 191 times for 1,013 yards and eight touchdowns during the season. He was a unanimous first-team selection by the coaches for the 5-AAAA team.

Carmouche spent much of his time protecting leads mostly provided by senior halfback Ronald Duhon. Duhon, a 5-10, 187-pounder, ran 196 times for 1,027 yards and scored 15 touchdowns during the season, and also ran for 175 yards in Acadiana's 28-15 playoff win over LaGrange. He was a first-team 5-AAAA selection, and surpassed the 200-yard mark twice this year.

Across town lives probably the two most explosive two offensive forces in the area — Teurlings' Carl Rachal and Northside's P.D. Broussard. Rachal did just about everything for Head Coach Bruce Cox's 8-2 squad this year. He carried the ball 112 times for 1,041 yards and 17 touchdowns, while catching 10



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passes for 297 yards and two more scores. He also had eight kickoff returns for 165 yards and a touchdown. In all the 5-9, 173-pound senior accounted for 128 points this season.

Despite not making the playoffs, Viking fans sure had fun watching Broussard run this season. The senior was injured for three games and still amassed 1,214 yards on 170 carries and scored 11 touchdowns.

When the local quarterbacks weren't handing off the speedy running backs, they were throwing to one of the area's sure-handed receivers. There were several good receivers this season, but three stood out — Acadiana's Mark Weber, Lafayette's Cort Cortez and Teurlings' Jeff Delhomme.

Weber, easily the best receiver in Acadiana Ram history, didn't quite have the statistics of some of the others, but some of the catches he made make the numbers seem almost irrelevant.

The 5-11, 165-pound senior caught 30 passes for 447 yards (a 14.9-yard average) and two scores, and also returned a punt 73 yards for a touchdown against Morgan City. He was chosen as the first-team wide receiver by the 5-AAAA coaches.

Cortez was the 5-AAAA second-team receiver, and it's easy to see why. The 5-8, 150-pound junior caught 40 passes for 556 yards and six touchdowns for an average of 13.9 yards a catch.

The other member of the first-team receiving corps is by no means an also ran. Just ask the Notre Dame Pioneer defense. Teurlings Catholic's Jeff Delhomme simply owned the Pio defense. He caught nine passes for 267 yards and three touchdowns.

To further prove his sure-handedness, he also had six interceptions on the season, including one returned 81 yards for his fourth TD against Notre Dame. He is also named to the first-team defensive team with 76 tackles from his defensive back position.

In order for all these amazing offensive numbers to be put up, however, someone had to be doing a good job blocking. In



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actually, there weren't enough spots to honor all the deserving offensive lineman in the area. In the middle of that group is St. Thomas More's center Lee Richard, who is surrounded at the guard spots by two senior second-team 5-AAAA selections — Acadiana's Rusty Manuel (5-8, 165) and Carencro's Jimmy Richard (6-2½, 220).

Northside's Wyatt Smith, a 5-11, 230-pound senior, and Comeaux's Marc Brasseaux, a 5-10, 250-pounder, that was also first-team 5-AAAA selection.

Lafayette's Curt Comeaux, who was good on six of nine field goal attempts this season for Head Coach Bobby Green's Lions, is the first-team kicker.

Carmouche wasn't a clear cut selection for the MVP, because of the large amount of defensive talent in the area. Just as it was on offense, a St. Thomas More Cougar is in the middle, as Joey Bernard is the choice for first-team nose guard.

And just like on offense, Bernard is flanked on both sides by a Wreckin' Ram and a Golden Bear. Acadiana's Steven Kibodeaux was another leader on the Rams' deep defense with 38 solo tackles, 30 assists, six sacks, three caused fumbles and three fumble recoveries.

Carencro's Nick Patel is the other first-team defensive tackle. Both were first-team 5-AAAA selections.

Northside's Vincent Derouen and Carencro's Richard hold up the ends of the first-team defensive line. Derouen, a 5-10, 175-pound junior, had 81 tackles, 11 sacks and four blocked punts on the year. Richard is one of only two that made the first-team, both offensively and defensively.

Joining Carmouche to fill the three linebacking spots are two that had good arguments to be named most valuable themselves — Carencro's Todd Aubrey and Comeaux's Justin Nichols, who were both on the 5-AAAA first-team.

Aubrey (5-11, 188) simply dominated opposing offenses in the first couple weeks of the season. On the year, he had 84 solo tackles and 69 assists as a junior. Nichols, a 5-11, 185-pound senior, had 53 solo tackles, 49 assists and four fumble recoveries to lead the tough defense that Head Coach Bobby Banna has been known for.

Nichols had good help from a lot of his teammates in the Spartans stretch run that finished them fourth in 5-AAAA. Leading that group is one of the first-team defensive backs — senior James Gist (6-1, 195). Gist, who also had 21 receptions for 285 yards as a tight end, had 35 solo tackles, 40 assists, four interceptions and three fumble recoveries.

He is joined in the defensive backfield by Teurlings' Delhomme and Northside's Deon Sharp.

Delhomme's teammate Damian Grossie, who also had a fine year at his defensive end position with 61 tackles and five sacks, was named the first-team punter.

The selection of the players was no easy task, and picking the top coach in the area was no different. Head Coach Pat Kee certainly did a fine job at Carencro, going 8-2 and to the state playoffs for the first time ever. But Acadiana Head Coach Bill Dotson was given the nod.

Dotson did one of his finest coaching jobs this season. Inheriting only six returning starters, his Wreckin' Rams began slow with a 14-7 loss at LaGrange, but steadily improved and eventually finished 8-2 and went into the state playoffs as the District 5-AAAA champions.

His coaching genius, however, was probably never more evident than in the 35-13 victory over New Iberia when his physically inferior offense plowed the tradition-rich Jacket defense for over 500 yards on the ground and over 100 in the air. It was certainly a fine year of high school football in Lafayette parish.



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All-Parish team

Members of the 1986 Daily Advertiser-Coca-Cola All-Parish Team are from left to right: (front row) Todd Aubrey, Jonathan Carmouche, James Gist, Steven Kibodeaux, Justin Nichols, Deon Sharp, Vincent Derouen, Joey Bernard, Nick Patel and Jimmy Richard. (Middle row)

Curt Comeaux, Cort Cortez, Carl Rachal, Mark Weber, Ronald Duhon, Rusty Manuel, Jeff Delhomme, Damian Grossie, P.D. Broussard and Wyatt Smith. (Top row) James Arnaud, Lee Richard, Kennan Ryan and Marc Brasseaux.



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All-Parish First Team Defense

Pos.....	Name	School
NG.....	Joey Bernard,	STM
DT.....	Nick Patel,	Carencro
DT.....	Steven Kibodeaux,	Acadiana
DE.....	Vincent Derouen,	Northside
DE.....	Jimmy Richard,	Carencro
LB.....	Todd Aubrey,	Carencro
LB.....	Jonathon Carmouche,	AHS
LB.....	Justin Nichols,	Comeaux
DB.....	James Gist,	Comeaux
DB.....	Deon Sharp,	Northside
DB.....	Jeff Delhomme,	Teurlings
P.....	Damion Grossie,	Teurlings

Defensive Most Valuable Player
Jonathon Carmouche, Acadiana

All-Parish Second Team Defense

NG.....	Wyatt Smith,	Northside
DT.....	Kenny George,	Acadiana
DT.....	Jason Vige,	Teurlings
DE.....	Dennis Clemmons,	Comeaux
DE.....	Scott Broussard,	Acadiana
LB.....	John Zenon,	Carencro
LB.....	Cornell Pradier,	Lafayette
LB.....	Kenneth Martin,	Northside
DB.....	Doug Palombo,	Acadiana
DB.....	Doug Dotson,	Acadiana
DB.....	Carl Rachal,	Teurlings
P.....	Donovan LaGrangbe,	Carencro



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All-Parish First Team Offense

Pos.....	Name	School
QB.....	James Arnaud,	Carencro
RB.....	P.D. Broussard,	Northside
RB.....	Ronald Duhon,	Acadiana
RB.....	Kennan Ryan,	Carencro
RB.....	Carl Rachal,	Teurlings
WR.....	Mark Weber,	Acadiana
WR.....	Cort Cortez,	Lafayette
WR.....	Jeff Delhomme,	Teurlings
OG.....	Rusty Manuel,	Acadiana
OG.....	Jimmy Richard,	Carencro
OT.....	Wyatt Smith,	Northside
OT.....	Mark Brasseaux,	Comeaux
C.....	Lee Richard,	STM
K.....	Curt Comeaux,	Lafayette

Offensive Most Valuable Player

James Arnaud, Carencro

All Parish Coach of the Year

Bill Dotson, Acadiana

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All-Parish Second Team Offense

QB.....	George Murphy,	Teurlings
RB.....	Chad Guillory,	STM
RB.....	Hayward Edwards,	Acadiana
RB.....	Darrell Prejean,	Comeaux
WR.....	Dwayne Mouton,	Northside
WR.....	Fernest Martin,	Comeaux
TE.....	Mike Alford,	Acadiana
OG.....	Chris Fox,	Teurlings
OG.....	Adam Flugence,	Comeaux
OT.....	Terry Kiehm,	Lafayette
OT.....	Larry Brown,	Carencro
C.....	Randy Pitman,	Acadiana
K.....	George Murphy,	Teurlings



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Rachal, Aubrey are named 1986 Players of the Year

What makes this year's two Advertiser/Coca Cola outstanding players so outstanding?

Not the stats, though they are some pretty impressive ones. Not their school records, though each school had memorable seasons. And not the fact that both are considered to be excellent athletes, for they are all of that and then some.

The Advertiser/Coca Cola Players of the Year were chosen because they did their jobs better than the many others selected during the 10 long weeks of regular season football.

Teurlings' Carl Rachal and Carencro's Todd Aubrey were tabbed the **OUTSTANDING PLAYERS OF THE YEAR** in a close vote. Probably closer than any we've had in years past, because of the exceptional talent found in the Acadiana area.

Before going any further, here's the list of honorable mentions given serious consideration by the Advertiser sport staff and Gerald Hebert of Coca Cola: Kaplan's Francis Touchet, Crowley's Shane Garrett, Vermilion Catholic's Blake Hawthorne, Northside's P.D. Broussard, Teurlings' George Murphy, Acadiana's Ronald Duhon, Port Barre's Ivory Keys, Loreauville's Derwin Antoine, Kaplan's Darren Touchet, Carencro's James Arnaud, Hanson's Scott Goulas, and Lafayette's Tommy Guercio.

Needless to say, the list was an exceptional one and picking just one for both offense and defense was no easy task.

Rachal, a 5-9, 173-pound, senior, probably is the most complete football player on the Teurlings football team in 1986. The senior led the Rebels to an 8-3 overall mark and the 5-AA district championship.

For the season including the playoffs, he finished with 1,916 yards in all purpose yards. As the starting tailback for Teurlings he was able to rush for 1,211 yards on 121 carries or a 10.0 average per carry. He caught nine passes for 163 more yards and scored 134 points....22 touchdowns and one two-point conversion.

He had 18 touchdowns by rush, one by pass and two on kickoff returns.

Speaking of returns, Rachal also had 12 kickoff returns for 347 yards....an average of 29-yards per kickoff....and 11 punt returns for 195 yards....an average of 18-yards per return.

As if being an offensive workhorse wasn't enough, he also played defense for Coach Bobby Cox and finished the year with three interceptions and 51 tackles at cornerback.

His best night for the Rebels was against Iota when he scored six touchdowns. That night, he carried the ball just 14 times for 163 yards and had an 80 yard kickoff return. He scored on every third carry in this particular game.

"He's one of the most complete football players that I've ever been around," said Cox. "Carl was unselfish and did whatever it took to help the team. I wish we had a lot more like him."

Rachal's stats are nothing like they could have been had he played four complete quarters. However, the Rebels, despite a tough non-district slate, found themselves ahead in a number of games (district and non-district), which enabled Cox to rest his starters early in the game.

For Carencro's Todd Aubrey, there was few occasions he could enjoy a game from the sideline. The junior linebacker played in 5-AAAA where blowouts are few and far between.

Aubrey, a 5-11, 188-pound, junior, was the lifeblood of the Golden Bears' defense. His coach, Pat Kee, claims that without him, Carencro doesn't win five games.

"Without him and James Arnaud and Carencro High School doesn't win five ball games this season," said Kee. "This is the best linebacker that I've ever coached and I been in the business a long time."

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Top players

Carencro's Todd Aubrey (left), Teurlings Catholic Carl Rachal (middle) receive the Golden Helmet Award from Coca Cola representative Gerald Hebert after being voted the Advertiser/Coca Cola Players of the Year for 1986. The award is presented annually to the top offensive and defensive players. Aubrey was the defensive player while Rachal took offensive honors.



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Rachal voted 5-AA' most valuable player

By BRAD HAWKINS
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The Teurlings Catholic Rebels, the 5-AA district champions, walked off with a majority of that district's awards, including Coach of the Year and Offensive Most Valuable Player.

Under first-year Head Coach Bruce Cox, the Rebels finished the season as the district's undisputed champion at 4-0. Teurlings outscored their four district foes by a combined score of 178-58. Cox was selected as district 5-AA Coach of the Year.

Teurlings also received the Offensive Most Valuable Player, but the big decision was choosing one of two Rebels nominated.

Seniors Carl Rachal and George Murphy had outstanding years in leading their squad to an 8-2 overall mark.

The 5-9, 173-pound Rachal rushed for 121 yards on 121 carries for a 1.0 average and 18 touchdowns. He caught nine passes for 163 yards and one score and had 510 speciality yards for three more touchdowns. In one game alone, Rachal had a phenomenal night, scoring six touchdowns.

Murphy, also, had a good year both passing and running the ball. The 6-3, 200-pounder threw for 1195 yards and 10 scores, completing 71 of 145. However, his claim to fame came against Notre Dame High School when he threw for 346 yards. He rushed 68 times for 324 yards and six touchdowns.

Rachal was voted as the Offensive Most Valuable Player as well as first team running back. Murphy was chosen as first team quarterback.

Joining Rachal on the first team running back list were the duo from Church Point Kevin Fall, a sophomore, and Michael Bouite, a junior, had banner years, combining for 1736 yards and 11 touchdowns on the ground.

Teurlings garnered the first team wide receiver spot unanimously with senior Jeff Delhomme. Delhomme caught 37 passes for 506 yards and eight touchdowns. High high game of the season was nine grabs for 267 yards and three scores.

The Rebels were represented on the first team offensive line unit with tackle Gerald Collier. Joining Collier on the first team unit were Church Point's Cory Smith and Shannon Daigle at center and guard respectively, Notre Dame's Blaine Miller at the other guard and Bobby Blumit of Opelousas Catholic and Bobby Blumit of Opelousas Catholic at the other tackle.

Defensively, the Most Valuable Player award went to Iota's Mark Walker. The Bulldogs struggled to a disappointing season, but Walker compiled impressive stats with 31 solo tackles, two

fumble recoveries and one interception.

Walker was also selected as first team defensive end, joined by Damien Grossie of Teurlings (61 solos, five fumble recoveries, five sacks).

Winston Frey of Iota was voted as first team nose guard. Frey had seven sacks, one interception and one fumble recovery.

Notre Dame's John Morgan and Blumit were picked as first team defensive tackles. Morgan put up strong stats, getting 75 solo tackles and four quarterback sacks.

Teurlings' Jay Domengeaux and Troy Kling were joined by Church Point's Richie Olivier on the first team linebacker list. Kling had 71 solos, while Domengeaux and Olivier had 60 solos each.

Rachal was also chosen as a first team secondary member. He had 51 solos, three interceptions and one fumble recovery.

Delhomme joined Rachal on the team as did Bouite. Delhomme had 76 solos and six interceptions, one returned for a score. Bouite had eight interceptions and a couple fumble recoveries.

The kicking specialist honor went to Grossie, who booted 34 punts for a 41-yard average.

DISTRICT 5-AA

1986 All-District Team

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Offensive MVP — Carl Rachal, Teurlings
Defensive MVP — Mark Walker, Iota
Coach of the Year — Bobby Cox, Teurlings

SECOND TEAM

Offense			
QB	Center Truman Dupont, Teurlings Catholic; O'Chang		
C	for Teurlings and Brian LaCasse, Iota; T. Houma		
G	nigumbetou and Kelly Callemotte, Teurlings		
G	Callemotte, TE Joe Dailey, Church Point and John		
G	Alarcon, Notre Dame High; SE Al Eburn, Church		
G	Point; QB John Andrew, Church Point; RB Scott		
G	Williams, Opelousas Catholic; Jay Domengeaux,		
G	Teurlings Catholic and Kye Long, Notre Dame		
Defense			
DE	55-Clair LeBlanc, Notre Dame; T. Houma; Vigne		
DE	Teurlings and William Clark, Church Point; S.J.J.		
DE	Frederic, Teurlings; Joe Oakley, Church Point, and		
DE	Arrian Gaudin, Notre Dame; S. Houma; Landry,		
DE	Teurlings Catholic; Chad Landon, Iota and Shale		
DE	Henry, Notre Dame; DE Eric Williams, Opelousas		
DE	Catholic; Scott Dwyer, Teurlings Catholic; and Al		
DE	Ellis, Church Point		



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Sharron makes 5-AA All-District

Teurlings linebacker Troy Sharron was a voted to the second team 5--All District team recently released by the Lousiana Sports Writers Association.

Sharron, a 5-9, 175 pound junior, was inadvertently left off the listing of the team which appeared in Sunday's paper.

Joining Sharron on the second team were Teurlings Mark Landry, Iota's Chad Lejeune, and Notre Dame's Shane Henry.

Sharron helped the Rebels of Coach Bob Cox to the 5-AA district title and a playoff appearance. He had 74 tackles, one fumble recovery and one interception for Teurlings Catholic.



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Acadiana area strong in Class AA

KAPLAN — To no one's surprise, Kaplan's Francis Touchet was chosen as a unanimous selection to the Class AA All-State team by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association.

Touchet, who was named to the team for the second year in a row, headed up the Acadiana contingent at linebacker which included Loreauville's Derwin Antoine at running back, Kaplan's Jason Morvant and Teurlings Catholic's Jeff Delhomme at receiver.

The LSWA chose Kentwood's Mickey Miller as the AA Defensive Player of the Year and Traffon Academy's Todd Kinchen as the Offensive Player of the Year. South Cameron's Perry Lalande was selected as the AA Coach of the Year after leading his Tarpons all the way to the finals as a wild-card entry into the playoffs. Lalande's Tarpons beat Kaplan in an exciting first round matchup 26-24.

Touchet, the 7-AA Defensive MVP for two years running, had 122 tackles, including 74 individual stops, four fumble recoveries and one interception for the Pirates who finished the regular season at 10-0 and ranked first in Class AA.

The last two seasons Touchet has totaled 266 tackles, including 162 solos, eight fumble recoveries and four interceptions. The 6-foot-1, 220-pound bull was also an All-District fullback, rushing for 812 yards and 19 touchdowns.

Perhaps the most exciting player in 7-AA this season was Loreauville's Antoine. The wiry Antoine, a two-time MVP in 7-AA, rushed for 272 times for 1,861 yards and 23 touchdowns to lead the Tigers to a third place finish in district and to the second round of the AA playoffs.

He has compiled a string of 22 consecutive 100-yard games rushing. The 5-foot-10, 165-pound junior improved his career totals to 3,366 yards and 38 touchdowns.

Morvant, a unanimous All-District pick in 7-AA for two years, caught 26 passes for 526 yards and six touchdowns for an average of 20.2 yards a reception despite playing for a Wing T team.

A dangerous receiver, he also displayed remarkable open field moves after making the catch.

Another dangerous receiver was Teurlings Catholic's Delhomme. The senior, a unanimous All-District pick in 5-AA, had his best season ever as he averaged 21.8 yards on 37 recep-

tions good for 806 yards and seven touchdowns.

Delhomme was also an all-district selection at cornerback with six interceptions.

Making the All-State team as honorable mention was: Teurlings' Damion Grossie, TE; Loreauville's Eric Knatt, T; Kaplan's Darren Touchet, QB; Mamou's Mack Guillory, QB's; Teurlings' George Murphy, QB; Teurlings' Carl Rachal, RB; Catholic's Troy Tauriac, RB; Kaplan's Brian Francis, DE; Patterson's Travis Ray, DE; Teurlings' Jay Domengeaux, LB; Kaplan's Pat Merchant, DB, and Catholic's Mike Farr, DB.

DOUBLE A ALL STATE OFFENSIVE TEAM	
TE Jason Morvant, Kaplan	5:11 186 Yd
SE Jeff Delhomme, Teurlings	5:8 140 Yd
T Mickey Miller, Kentwood	6:4 265 Yd
T Brian Delmont, Kinder	6:5 140 Yd
G Troy Stringer, Traffon	6:2 266 Yd
G Todd Durland, Welsh	5:9 189 Yd
C Leo Cuyler, Rayville	6:1 198 Yd
QB Paul Terrance, Riverdale	6:4 190 Yd
RB Todd Kinchen, Traffon	6:0 181 Yd
RB Coach Meyer, Loranger	5:8 175 Yd
RB Derwin Antoine, Loreauville	5:10 165 Yd
PK Chris Spurrey, Newman	6:2 186 Yd

DOUBLE A ALL STATE DEFENSIVE TEAM	
DE Dominic Johnson, Iberia	6:1 170 Yd
DE Carlos Mitchell, Welsh	6:2 182 Yd
T Mickey Miller, Kentwood	6:4 165 Yd
T Lee Brian, South Cameron	5:9 225 Yd
LB Dean Gaudin, Springhill	5:10 179 Yd
LB Brian DeLoach, Springhill	6:0 207 Yd
LB Francis Touchet, Kaplan	6:1 225 Yd
LB James Cook, Kentwood	5:10 215 Yd
DB David Franklin, Hennessey	6:6 175 Yd
DB Kevin Bufford, Rayville	5:11 112 Yd
DB Butch Wilby, Newman	6:1 165 Yd
W Steve Prince, South Cameron	6:7 220 Yd
WR Corey Smith, Rayville	5:9 155 Yd

OUTSTANDING OFFENSIVE PLAYER Kinchen, Traffon
OUTSTANDING DEFENSIVE PLAYER Miller, Kentwood
COACH OF THE YEAR Perry, Lalande, South Cameron

Honorable Mention
OFFENSE
TE Tommy Fitch, St. Charles; Derwin Wiley, Iberia; Edgar Johnson, Coahoma; Tim Cadot, Riverdale; TE Dymal Grossie, Teurlings; T Jeff Deane, Episkope; Eric Knatt, Loreauville; George Sperry, Springhill; Marcus Lyman, Loranger; RB John Meyer, Mamou; Benny Knott, Block; Leslie Sloan, West St. John; C Robert Falcout, Welsh; Tommy Garrett, Hennessey; QB Andrew Knott, St. Francis; Mickey Johnson, Kentwood; Darren Touchet, Traffon; Troy Wiley, Iberia; Mack Guillory, Mamou; Scott Hancock, South Cameron; Scott Murphy, Teurlings; RB Arnie Jackson, South Cameron; Supplement: Patsy, Rayville; RB Ray Shaker, Iberia; Dexter Walker, Block; Germaine Williams, Iberia; Junior, Davisville; Kentwood; Carl Kerner, Teurlings; Troy Prince, Welsh; New Iberia; Kim Gaudin, West; Taylor, Acadia; Arlene, Maitre; Steve Thompson, Iberia; B B Stringer, Kinder.

DEFENSE
DE Brian Francis, Kaplan; Travis Wade, Patterson; Mike Walker, Iberia; Leo Davis, Kentwood; Jeff Mamou, Springhill; T Mickey Miller, Kentwood; Jeff Martin, Teurlings; LB Morgan Webb, Dink; Nick Smith, Iberia; LB Joe Jones, Welsh; South Cameron; B B Gaudin, Kinder; Butch Wilby, Teurlings; Pat Gray, St. Francis; Joe Delhomme, Teurlings; James Ray, Iberia; Scott Stringer, Loranger; Brian Butch, Teurlings; Derwin Antoine, Loreauville; Ray McLaughlin, Kaplan; Mike Ray, Welsh; Joe Wright, Riverdale; Joe Paul, Coahoma; Spencer, Loranger.



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