



PALISADES PIRATES YOUTH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

The New Season Begins!!!

120 lb D2

The Palisades D2 120 team travelled to Lansdale this past Saturday to do battle with the Cannoneers. The Pirates battled four hard quarters, but came up short, with the final score of 18-6. In the first half, the Pirates started out slowly, only managing one first down on the offensive side of the ball. Defensively, we managed to recover one turnover (kudos to Wyatt Schilling), and stop three Lansdale drives. The second half saw more poised defensive play, holding the Cannoneers to a single score following a well executed deep pass to their 5' 10" tight end. Our lone score came in the second half on a left off-tackle run by Dylan Rodd, behind solid blocking by Brandon Martin, Wyatt Schilling, Derek Gardner, and Brendon Caraway.

Our Pirates got a good taste of a division 1 opponent and didn't back down. Every team member gave our team their best effort. We're looking forward to our home opener this Saturday against Abington.

120 lb D3

Our 120lb came with the right attitude to play this week. After the shell shock on play one, we settled down very well. This team dug in and just would not quit. The Offense moved the ball well with great blocking from the entire line. The defense also did a lot of good hitting. With hard running from Jason Rietz, Jacob Donnelly and Melissa Albe the Eagles weren't able to solve our running attack. Our style of old school smash mouth football worked well. Right before half time we knew that the Eagles were wearing down and just fell one yard short of scoring. The second half was the Pirates half. The Eagles were not able to do very much against our re-energized defense. And it appeared that they were wilting fast. After receiving the second half kickoff, we marched down the field and scored. Our great conditioning and unrelenting will stopped Marsh Creek from doing anything in the second half. To this teams credit we didn't have to punt one time due to great ball control and played on the Eagles side of the field most of the time. Marsh Creek thought they could catch us off guard with onside kicks and that failed miserably. Overall this was a great game. One thing that we learned this week is this group of kids is playing like a TEAM! They were helping each other up and not pointing fingers when things aren't going well. They see that we are unstoppable as a team like in the second half. SUPER GAME by all. We will get the Rams next week at home. Final MC 18 Pal 6

105 lb.

Our 105 lb. team came ready to take on the Eagles of Marsh Creek. The game was very physical with our boys handling the Eagles well. Our defense was strong as we spent most of the game in the middle, holding the Eagles back. Except for a few breakaway plays on offense by Marsh Creek that led to touchdowns, the Pirate defense was excellent. We sacked the quarterback, broke up the pass plays and let the Eagles know that Palisades is a strong team. Our special teams were outstanding successfully punting the ball under intense pressure from Marsh Creek. Their onside kick attempts were no problem for our special teams. Our offense was able to 'crash' dive through their defense for first downs. We played hard on offense working on

perfecting our running and passing game. Our Pirates came ready to play as a TEAM and we looked strong. We are working hard in practice and look forward to winning our home opener with Abington. MC 24 Pal 0

90 lb.

The 90 pound Pirates opened its season away against a tough Lenape Valley squad. Pirates won the toss and deferred putting our new defense to the test. Defense led by Pat Lodwig, Tanner Bahnck and John Paul Ramel made Lenape Valley earn each yard. Our defense played hard the second quarter with help from the Vandergast brothers and Tom Eichlen, keeping the game in reach by holding the score to 14 - 0 at the half. The second half the Pirates begin to click on offense supported by the new offensive line of David Somp, Jordan Walbridge and Dog Kelly, giving the backs holes to gain yardage. Morgan Segreaves and Tyler Rembilas showed that we can move effectively made several first downs. Shane McArdle blew thru the right side behind great blocking by Greb Cooper, Vince Baldassarre and Andrew Nickles giving us our first touchdown of the season. Tyler Rembilas punched in the extra point with a big push from our line. The Indians finished on top but we fought hard under tough conditions. We are working hard at fundamentals and responsibilities and creating a team atmosphere. I'm proud of each player for showing up and giving it all. Keep it up this week at our home opener against Northampton.

80 lb.

The 2008 Jr. Mitey Mites took the field this past Sat. looking to build on what we learned and accomplished last year and this past August. We started out a little slow, but after halftime the team came out fired up and took it to the Hawks. At the end of the day, we came away with a 25-19 win and showed the heart and determination needed to play all four quarters of a game. We showed glimpses of what his team can accomplish and with 9 more games to go, we are looking forward to a great season.

70 lb.

No game this week! This weekend the team will be away at Pendel on Saturday @ 1 pm.

Gold Flag

Great game this week. Playing at Methacton Sunday at 1 pm

Purple Flag

We had a very exciting game on Saturday in Horsham against the Hawks 2. We only had 9 players for the game so everyone had to dig down deep and play hard for the full 30-minutes with only 1 player to substitute the entire time. Our captains, Donovan Lang, Johann Krug and Ben Haubert, went onto the field for the coin toss and we started off in defense. Our defense started strong although the tricky Horsham Hawks attempted to outsmart us on the line by going with a silent count to try and get the jump on us. We caught on and depended on our smart backs, Max Dunar and Johann Krug to call it out when the ball got hiked so our line could surge forward. Unfortunately we could not slow down the Hawks momentum and they scored within the first series of downs. When we gained possession of the ball, we marched down the field with our sharp offense. On a first and goal, Johann Krug got the ball and with

the help of strong blocking, was able to put the Pirates on the board. But the Pirates were far from done; we came to the midfield line and took the ball. With the help of blocking by Peter Kandel, Max Dunar, Ben Haubert and Nathan Crotts on the line with Sean Johnson at center and support of our quarterback, Donovan Lang, we were able to handoff the ball and sweep to the left with great blocking by Zach Shoemaker, Connor Stelle then took the ball into the end zone on the 2nd down. Additionally we were able to score the extra point with Donovan Lang doing the quarterback sneak with a block from Sean Johnson. The Pirates defense hung in tight and a tremendous dive was made by Max Dunar, he pulled the flag and stopped the Hawks from scoring the extra point. In only three plays, big gains were made downfield by Johann Krug and Connor Stelle, setting up the tying touchdown with just under 2 minutes remaining in the game. With a blast to the left, Johann Krug was able to score the touchdown. Due to the strong blocking by the Pirates line, Ben Haubert, Max Dunar, Nathan Crotts, Zach Shoemaker and Sean Johnson, the extra, winning point for the game was also taken. With only a minute left, the defense took the field and had to hold their ground and keep the Hawks from scoring. Our mighty line forged forward, stopping the Hawks in their tracks. Time ran out and the Pirates took the win with a final score of 19-20. The pirates walked away with a very hard fought game. They never gave up and always played hard until the whistle blew, even despite their tiredness at times.

Tiny Mites Cheerleaders

Way to go GIRLS!!!

All the girls had a great time at our first game. We are all very proud of you. You looked beautiful and everyone thought you did a terrific job cheering the boys on. Their voices carried with side line chants to help the Purple Flag team out at the first game. In just a short time the Tiny Mites put on a terrific half time routine. Cheerleader ROCK!!! Even the coach from the Purple Flag team came up the cheer coach's and told us what a wonderful job you did. He was so happy to see you having fun and cheering the boys on. They loved that the cheer squad came out to represent the boys. **AWESOME JOB.**

Jr. Pee Wee Cheerleaders

After a schedule change, the Jr. Pee Wee squad traveled to Lansdale to cheer on the 120 (D2) tackle team. The girls did a terrific job cheering the boys on, plus watching and learning about the game of football. All the girls looked beautiful and their voices were very loud. The Jr. Pee Wee squad did an **AWESOME** job on their half time routine. I received some great compliments about how well you did, especially since you just learned the routine this past week. Way to go on the stunting. The girls adjusted well when we changed the formation. We are very proud of you. Can't wait to see you next week at our home field. **GREAT JOB.**

This Week's Schedule:

- Gold Flag – away at Methacton Sunday @ 12:30
- Purple Flag – Away at Horsham Saturday @ 2:30
- 70lb. – away at Penndel Sunday @ 1:00
- 80 lb. – Home with Conestoga @ 2:00
- 90 lb. – Home with Northampton @ 12:00
- 105 lb. – Home with Abington @ 4:00
- 120 lb. D2 – Home with Abington @ 8:00
- 120 lb. D3 – Home with Penndel @ 6:00

Palisades High School Football Results

The PHS Pirates played Pen Argyll last Friday night at home. The final score was Palisades – 35, Pen Argyll – 28

Raffle Tickets – DUE BY SEPTEMBER 30th

Raffle Tickets are due **NO LATER** than Tuesday, September 30th to be included in the raffle drawing which takes place during the PPFYF banquet in January. Remember, if you do not hand in your tickets, it eliminates your chance at winning. Please hand them into your Team Mom or someone on the fund raising committee. If you did not get your raffle tickets please let you team mom know so she can get them for you. Thanks!

Pirate wears Clothing – ORDER NOW!

The Pirate wears Clothing order this Saturday, September 6th. Don't miss your opportunity to order your Pirate wear. If you need order forms, please see your Team mom or anyone on the fund raising committee.

FUNDRAISING

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IMPORTANT DATES - 2008					
Date	Event	Location	Date	Event	Location
Sept. 19th	H.S. Varsity Football Game	Youth Football & Cheerleading Night @ 6:20	October 31- Nov 2nd	Bux-Mont League Championships	Palisades High School Stadium
October 5th	Bux-Mont Cheer Competition	Hatboro-Horsham	January 3, 2009	PPYF 2008 Award Banquet	DeSales University
October 12th	Non-Competitive Cheer Fun Day	Quakertown			

2008		OFFICERS		and		COMM. HEADS	
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 Newsletter – Contact Gloria Scott via email @ gescott@epix.net Phone: 610-847-5671
 DEADLINE: Information must be submitted by Tuesday of each week.