With 49 Ticks Left

They play 48 minutes in high school football for a reason. Friday night, Oct. 3, at Augusta, the Mulyane High School Wildear gridders used all 48 minutes

And came out smelling like a rose.

Winless Augusta gave the Wildcats a mighty tussle before senior Zach Kimble back in the line-up after a recurring back injury, snagged a pass from quarterback Travis McGuire and ran 74 yards for the winning score in a 12-7 Chisholm Trail League Division I barnburner

And heck, the Wildcats didn't need that last 40-some seconds. No way! No how!

When Kimble crossed the goal line there was still plenty of time left about 49 seconds

"That was the first time we had run a slant and go all night," pointed out Mulvane coach Dave Fennewald. "We were trying to get the safety to jump on the slant and he did. It was a nice sight. You go from being pretty down (with 56 seconds left) to pretty elated (with 49 seconds left)?

Kimble gathered in McGuire's best pass of the night and kicked it into gear

It was a particularly difficult game. though, for the Wildcats. The Orioles had been slaughtered, 55 0, by Rose Hill in the first game of the year and got whipped by Valley Center, 34-7, in the next one

"We just kept shooting ourselves in the toot early," complained Fennewald "We had a nice opening drive but threw an incompletion in 4th down and we fumbled on our own 25 on another possession. We just couldn't sustain any drives on offense We never really got back into a rhythm after our first TD. We had two nice punt returns that took us into Augusta territory called

back. Penalties really hurt us."

The Cats had 70 yards in penalties and lost two fumbles and one interception. Mulvane scored first when senior Gavin Smder broke loose on an 80-yard run early in the 2nd quarter but that was one of only four plays the Wildcats had offensively in the quarter. Augusta ran 15 when the help of a couple fumbles by the Cats.

"Our defense really came up big again," pointed out Fennewald. "On their last drive, right before the scoring pass, they moved deep inside our territory but our defense turned them away by stopping Augusta on a 4th and two. We were also out of timeouts, which makes that stop even more impressive."

Fennewald gave Augusta credit. "I think their record (0-5) is pretty deceiving," said the Wildeat boss. They've been playing only three or four seniors and they're young people are starting to get better as they get more experience in games."

Other than Gavin Snider's 80-yard breakaway, the Wildeats didn't show much offense - only 91 yards rushing. And take away the 74 yard TD pass and the Cats gained only 48 in the air. Fullback Landon Branine banged for 55 yards in 12 carries and Grant Snider had 12 yards rushing

It was the MHS defense that floated the boat. Branine finished with 15 tackles and his linebacking mate, B.J. Headgepath, had H stops Lineman Chase Hansen had H tackles, 100, and Gavin Smider finished with nine. Junior Mason Leonard had a fumble recovery and McGuire had an interception.

The Orioles also gave Fennewald and his Cats their first CTL Division I win of 2003 as they head into Fall Homecoming Friday mght, Oct. 10, at Lyle Couch Field. Buhler will be in town for the occasion Game time is 7 p.m.

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