

# ASH defense shuts down Red River, forces turnovers



**ASH 40, RED RIVER 20**

**Records:** ASH (2-2); Red River (3-1)

## HOW THE GAME WAS WON

The Red River Bulldogs fought with tenacity and great energy, but the ASH Trojan defense kept shutting down their offensive plays at every turn. The Bulldogs made incomplete passes as well, which gave the ASH Trojans the opportunity to intercept their passes and make a couple of touchdowns out of them. In the second half, the Red River Bulldogs made a strong attempt to get back in the game, but they kept turning over the ball, resulting in a huge lead for the Trojans.

## GAME NOTES

- In the first half, penalties such as a personal foul and an illegal block against Red River slowed down their momentum to drive the ball.
- Both teams lost a lot of yardage due to back-to-back penalties.
- In second quarter, Red River quarterback Eric Grant had a minor ankle injury, causing their offensive line to struggle to get their plays made.
- Michael Orphey made four touchdowns for the ASH Trojans.
- In the third quarter, a personal foul against Red River's Noah Newman caused him to be ejected from the game.

## Line Score

ASH 14 7 13 6 - 40

Red River 0 6 6 8 - 20

### **First Quarter**

A-Jorien Vallien 28 run (kick good)

A-Michael Orphey 42 run (kick good)

### **Second Quarter**

R-Gakerreon McDonald 48 run (kick no good)

A-Michael Orphey 14 run (kick good)

### **Third Quarter**

A-Michael Orphey 24 run (kick no good)

R-Demontae Calhoun 80 run (two-point conversion fail)

A-Matt Barber 30 run (kick good)

### **Fourth Quarter**

A-Michael Orphey 4 run (kick no good)

## **TOP PLAYERS**

**ASH:** Michael Orphey continued to muscle his way through Red River defense and make back-to-back touchdowns for his team. In third quarter, he broke through three tackles to make his third touchdown of the night.

**Red River:** Demontae Calhoun is a player who knows how to run the ball and make the quick moves on the inside to drive the ball down the middle. He was strong and resilient on defense and was able to make the tough decisions as quarterback.

## **QUOTABLES**

**ASH coach Thomas Bachman on winning the game:** "We won. I love coaching behind wins. The whole object is that we get out here and win a ball game on Friday night. I'm happy about that. Obviously, there were a lot of penalties tonight. We're anxious to go back and look at the film to see what some of that stuff was. But you can't do better than a win."

**ASH coach Thomas Bachman on Red River:** "They have some talented kids that can roll. We knew that and they can play. Hindsight is 20/20 when we look back, we'll reevaluate, and then move on."

**RB Michael Orphey on his performance:** "I like to be blessed. I faced adversity, but with the faith of God, I was able to get back here with my teammates. I wouldn't be anything without my whole line, the coaches, so

everything I do goes back to them. I tried to lift my teammates up in down moments, just try to come out and be a leader tonight."