

High School Gridders Open Seas on Tonight

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ARLINGTON--The 1971 scholastic football season begins in Virginia tonight with 12 games on tap for Northern Region AAA teams. One game, Herndon at Williams, is scheduled Saturday.

Feature games tonight include Marshall at Annandale and Fairfax at Washington-Lee.

Marshall, the defending Northern Region champion, returns most of its squad from last year with only four starters graduating from the team which posted a 9-1 record and defeated Edison in the regional title game.

Marshall is the odd-on favorite to repeat as Great Falls District champion, but a few other teams including the Statesmen's opponent tonight may have some thing to say about the regional crown.

Annandale, with most of its players returning, is favored in the tough Northern District, but only slightly.

Just as last season, most of the experts are predicting a tight race in the Northern, with any of five teams capable of coping the league title. Most observers felt the Northern was the toughest last season but the top teams knocked each other off with regularity and kept the district from being represented in the regional title game.

Fairfax, one of the Northern

quired on military areas but no permits are necessary on other fields.

Also noted by the Commission was a new Virginia state coho record of 7 pounds 8 ounces, a slight one ounce over the previous record also set just this past month, taken from Philpott Reservoir.

In the "What's New" department, a full outboard line of 28 models in 12 horsepower classifications in the 50th Anniversary Series of 1972 Johnson Motors.

It was back in 1922 that the Johnson Brothers came out with a two-horsepower Light Twin, now the Waukegan firm offers today's boaters a choice of power from a big V-4 125-horsepower down to the little single-cylinder 2-h.p. kicker.

A big feature to all the Johnson '72 outboards is that they are drainless. Unburned fuel is now recirculated back into the combustion system, where it is burned.

teams expected to push Annandale the hardest, has a tough contest in its traditional opener with Washington-Lee.

Washington-Lee is expected to be one of the top teams in the Potomac District and may feel this district race will be settled when the Generals meet T. C. Williams later in the season.

Many area fans will be re-evaluating their judgement until they get a look at T.C. Williams and for this reason it's expected the

Titans and Herndon will draw a large crowd for their Saturday afternoon encounter at Williams.

Williams, with 70 players in uniform and with only juniors and seniors as a result of reorganization in the Alexandria school system, is being picked by many as the "Super Power" of Northern Virginia scholastic football.

Lee, expected to cop the Gunston District crown after many frustrating seasons, gets into

action tonight playing the only playing the only league game. The Lancers, with 23 lettermen returning, host West Springfield.

In other games tonight Falls Church is at Madison, Ireton at Fort Hunt, Wakefield at Groveton, Hayfield at Oakton, Robinson at Orange, Stuart at Langley, Yorktown at McLean, Jefferson at Mount Vernon, and Woodson at Edison.

"I've run a Johnson motor for years, starting with a 10 h.p. and have worked my way up to an Electric 40-h.p., from rowb at to runabout. It's hard to figure how they continue to improve,-- but they do.

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Marshall, Annandale Collide

Anacostia, Dunbar Have Score to Settle

By Marc Splaver

The area high school football season gets in full swing this weekend, but for Anacostia, Dunbar, Annandale and Marshall it must seem like midseason.

Anacostia, from the Interhigh East, and Dunbar, from the West, are strong contenders for division titles and today's game could be a championship preview. At the very least, it will be a revenge game.

Last year the teams fought to a 6-6 tie which each coach thought he should have won. "We beat them statistically," said Anacostia coach Wyman Colona. "I know the kids will be thinking about that."

Dunbar coach Luther Banner has different ideas. "We scored on that final series—not once, but twice. We've got films to prove it." But the referee didn't agree.

Quarterback Rich

Each team is counting heavily on its quarterback. Anacostia's Ricky Jameson, an All-Met split end last year, who has "a terrific arm," according to Colona, will lead the Indians.

Dunbar is counting on Cornelius Greene, the man who allegedly scored that touchdown twice. "We lost all our running backs from last year," said Banner, "but that won't hurt Cornelius. If nobody else can run, he'll do it himself."

Annandale and Marshall, in addition to being district favorites, also have an added incentive in tonight's game. Ed Henry of Marshall used to be head coach at Annandale. Bob Hardage, Annandale's new head coach, was his assistant. Also, when Henry took his first coaching job after graduating from college, his quarterback at Mt. Vernon was Hardage.

Lucido Returns

Annandale is led by Mike Lucido, who last year became the first freshman ever to lead the Atoms in rushing. Marshall will put Virginia's longest winning streak, 10 games, on the line tonight. The Statesmen also are counting on junior quarterback Mike Oliff, beginning his second year in the starting lineup.

In other key games today, Northwestern meets Surrattsville, Coolidge hosts McKinley, Hayfield takes on Oakton and West Springfield plays Lee.

Important Saturday after-

noon games include Herndon at Williams, Richard Montgomery at Whitman, Carroll at Annapolis, DuVal at Central and High Point at Good Counsel.

The weekend schedule, with favorites in capital letters:

Marshall 15-7 Victim

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Last-Period Rally Carries Annandale

Marshall could not hold onto the football or Annandale's Mike Lucido last night and these oversights ended the Statesmen's 10-game winning streak.

Lucido, a 175-pound tailback who is seldom stopped by a single tackler, rushed for 237 yards in 25 carries and scored two touchdowns in the 15-7 victory at Annandale.

Marshall contributed to both scores through fumbles, one coming inside Annandale's five-yard line late in the Virginia AAA nondistrict game. The Statesmen bobbled away the ball four times in all, enough to stall the high-powered offense that brought them the Northern Region title last year.

It was a sweet victory for Atoms' coach Bob Hardage, a former quarterback and assistant coach under Marshall head man Ed Henry. Marshall beat Annandale, 12-7, in the 1970 season opener.

Annandale loosened up a scoreless game early in the third period after recovering a fumble by Marshall on a punt. Lucido went the final four yards of the 40-yard drive to make it 6-0.

Marshall kept it interesting by taking the kickoff and going 71 yards to move ahead, 7-6. Jay McKeever got the touchdown on a 13-yard scamper.

Annandale came right back behind junior quarterback Pete Conaty, who started the second half. Conaty completed two passes for 36 yards and Lucido ripped off a 20-yard run to set up a 23-yard field goal by Brian Grainer with 10:05 left in the game.

A fumble by Al Boudreau, who gained 138 yards, stopped Marshall on a third-down play from Annandale's 13. The Atoms recovered on the four and then five plays later, Lucido broke off tackle and raced 79 yards for the final score.

Annandale rushed for 253 yards, 170 in the second half when Lucido picked up 148. Marshall had 211 yards on the ground. The teams threw only 11 passes in all.

—Paul Attner

Marshall	0	0	7	0-7
Annandale	0	0	6	9-15
Marshall: TD—McKeever (13, run). PAT Flynn (kick).				
Annandale: TD—Lucido 2 (4, 79 runs). Field Goal—Grainer (23 yards).				

Sept 10 Results 1971

HIGHS FOOTBALL	
Dunbar 16	Anacostia 8
Coolidge 12	McKinley 8
Eastern 24	Western 0
Northwestern 13	Surrattsville 6
Thomas Stone 6	Gwynn Park 6
Mt. Hebron 7	Randallstown 7
Annandale 15	Marshall 7
Mount Vernon 21	Jeteron 6
Oakton 27	Hayfield 6
Washington-Lee 13	Fairfax 8
Fort Hunt 34	Ireton 6
St. Mary's 21	Brooklyn Park 0
Middletown 14	St. John's 0
James Monroe 25	Midlothian 2
Brentsville 16	Northumberland 0
Yorktown 23	McLean 13
Falls Church 22	Madison 6
Lee 15	West Springfield 0
Fort Hill 36	Bell 0
Loudoun Valley 14	Frederick 6
Orange 33	Fairfax Robinson A 18
Culpeper 6	Fauquier 6
Great Mills 34	Douglass 6
Woodson 21	Edison 3
Loudoun County 24	Luray 6
James Wood 33	Gar-Field 0
Woodbridge 40	Stafford 0
Stuart 12	Lansley 6
Bowling Green 40	King George 14
Wakefield 12	Groveton 12
George Mason 6	Spotsylvania 6
W-L Montross 14	Quantico 6
Albemarle 21	Amhearst 2
Woodbridge 40	Stafford 6
Lane 33	Osborn 0
Louis 16	Varina 14
Brigham Young 41	N. Texas St. 13
PRO FOOTBALL	
Atlantic Coast	
Bridgeport 24	Roanoke 20

Lucido Leads Atoms Over Marshall, 15-7

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79-Yard Run Is Decisive

ANNANDALE — Mike Lucido, who led Annandale's ball carriers as a freshman last year, got off to a rousing start in his sophomore season last night as he led the Atoms to a surprising 15-7 victory over Marshall at Annandale.

Marshall, the defending Northern Region champion, took a 7-6 lead into the fourth quarter but that was short-lived as Lucido got his team rolling in the final period and gained most of the yardage as the Atoms scored a touchdown and field goal to win the game.

The teams spent all of the first half in the middle of the field before the Atoms broke the ice early in the third quarter.

Lucido scored the touchdown from three yards out to cap a 70-yard drive following the second half kickoff. Junior quarterback Pete Conaty featured the drive with a 25-yard pass play to Kerry Mullin that took the ball to the Marshall 35.

Marshall scored late in the quarter on a one-yard run by McKeever and Flynn kicked the extra point to give the State men a 7-6 lead.

Brian Grainer put the Atoms ahead with a 10-yard field goal early in the fourth quarter and Lucido capped the action with a 79-yard touchdown run. Lucido gained close to 250-yards in the game and led all rushers and ground gainers.

Marshall 0 0 7 0 -7

Annandale: Lucido (3-run);
kick failed.

Flynn (kick).

Marshall: McKeever 1-run;

Annandale: Grainer (10-field
goal).

Annandale: Lucido (79-run);
kick failed.