

Bombers fall short vs. SP

PREP FOOTBALL

Richland loses 36-24 as Rypien throws for 338 yards, 5 TDs for Shadle Park

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Brett Rypien and the Shadle Park Highlanders came into Fran Rish Stadium on Friday night and proved they're the real deal, showing off their highly-mobile offense in a 36-24 win over Richland.

The Bombers, however, are still looking to prove they can play with the big boys from Spokane, falling

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to 0-2 combined with last week's loss at Gonzaga Prep.

Richland started off with a bang, as running back Josh Phillips ran through the middle of the Bombers' massive offensive line and broke about four tackles en route to what appeared to be a 72-yard touchdown run.

But the play was called back on account of a block in the back by Bombers receiver Griffey March, who would later make up for his early gaffe.

The missed opportunity stung Richland, which never seemed to gain its proverbial footing on its own home field.

The Highlanders, on the other hand, scored on two of their first series, as Rypien threw touchdown passes to Darius Savick-Batters and Cameron Duty to put Shadle Park up 15-3 after the first quarter.

Rypien finished the night with gaudy numbers, completing 28 of 46 passes for 338 yards and five touchdowns.

He had some help from Jayden Nguyen and Sam Stratton, who didn't score any touchdowns but combined for 15 catches and 185 yards receiving. George Piliimai added a pair of second-half TD catches for the Highlanders.

Meanwhile, Richland's offense was still looking for a way to get untracked. March provided a meaningful spark, pulling in 11 catches for 108 yards and providing plenty of heart on defense.

The Bombers suffered big loss early in the third quarter when, trailing 22-3, two-way lineman Will Fisher was ejected for a personal foul and could not return. That left a hole in the middle of the Richland line.

Richland did, however, provide three of the final four touchdowns on the evening. Josh Phillips ran for 99 of his game-high 133 yards in the second half, which included a 53-yard touchdown run that cut Shadle's lead to 36-17.

Six minutes later, Richland quarterback Taylor O'Toole connected with McKlane Elgin on a 27-yard scoring strike to pull the Bombers within 12 points.

But with just 2:51 left on the clock, there wasn't enough time for Richland to complete a comeback.

O'Toole finished with 270 yards passing on 26 completions to eight different receivers.

Shadle Park running back Mark Morris finished with 102 yards on 20 carries.

Shadle Park	15	7	7	7	-36
Richland	3	0	7	14	-24

SCORING PLAYS

- SP—Darius Savick-Batters 3 pass from Brett Rypien (Matt Keenan run)
- R—FG Ryan Wolski 37
- SP—Cameron Duty 12 pass from Rypien (Mac Booye kick)
- SP—Mike Morris 14 run (Booye kick)
- SP—George Piliimai 25 pass from Rypien (Booye kick)
- R—Matthew Woodman 8 pass from Taylor O'Toole (Wolski kick)
- SP—Piliimai 8 pass from Rypien (Booye kick)
- R—Josh Phillips 53 run (Wolski kick)
- R—McKlane Elgin 27 pass from O'Toole (Wolski kick)

STATISTICS

RUSHING—SP, Savick-Batters 4-19, Rypien 7-14, Morris 20-102, Jayden Nguyen 9, Zac Mursion 2-4, R, Phillips 15-138, Jarrod Kraus 2-12, Kyle Whitby 1-minus 3, Jacob Heinen 7-20
PASSING—SP, Rypien 28-46-1-338, R, O'Toole 26-42-2-270
RECEIVING—SP, Sam Stratton 6-83, Savick-Batters 3-35, Duty 4-40, Nguyen 9-102, Morris 3-33, Piliimai 3-45, R, Griffey March 11-108, Elgin 2-31, Heinen 2-11, Savon Guajardo 1-6, Aarak Walters 1-5, Kraus 1-1, Phett Lavin 4-44, Woodman 2-14
FIRST DOWNS—SP 26, R 16. FUMBLES-LOST—SP 2-2, R 0-0
PENALTIES—SP 12-135, R 11-106



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Richland's Griffey March slips past a tackle by Shadle Park's Keenan Matt during Friday's game at Fran Rish Stadium in Richland. See more photos online at tricityherald.com