

# Gators Swab Oilers, 17-7

PEARLAND — Paced by a time-consuming, ball-control offense and an alert defense, coach Bill Ford's Dickinson Gators snapped a 4-game loss skein here Friday night by downing the Pearland Oilers, 17-7.

The Gator's offense on Friday night was actually a good defense because if the Oilers didn't have the ball, then they couldn't score and Dickinson saw to that by running 30 more offensive plays than the Oilers, 76 to 46.

Bobby Pawlik led the Gator ground attack with 121 yards on 25 trips and tallied via a 7-yard touchdown run. Gator guards Leonard Barajaz, Tommy Cooper, and Allan Welch, tackles Tommy Godard, Clarence Hall, and Ronald Thomas, end Al Moffett, and center Robert Gerasimowicz provided the blocking for the Dickinson backs to gouge out 272 yards on 62 cracks.

Reserve fullback Edward Shavers came on in the second half to do a fine job of toting

the pigskin, picking up 70 yards on 11 carries and scoring the Gators' other TD on a one-yard run.

Shavers also played a key role from the defensive side of the ledger by totaling 7 tackles and recovering one fumble.

Shavers' fumble recovery was one of 3 by the Gator defense that also picked off two Oiler passes. Tommy Godard and Mike Mills each recovered a Pearland bobble, while Bobby Thompson and Carl Woods each picked off an Oiler pass.

The Gators took the opening kick-off and methodically drove down the field via the running of Pawlik, Joey Altemore, Raymond Young, and the passing of Young to Moffett and Lewis Little.

The march started on the Dickinson 44 and 15 plays later, Altemore moved into the end zone from the Pearland 3. A penalty, one of the many costly flags, pushed Dickinson back to the 8. A couple of plays later Barajaz

booted his first field goal of the campaign from the 10. The clock read 4:30 and the Gators had consumed 7 minutes and 30 seconds on the 18 play drive.

After the Gator defense stopped the Oilers on a fourth down play at the Dickinson 26, Young and Little got together for a 74-yard pass and run touchdown, but a holding penalty wiped out that effort.

Early in the second quarter, Shavers recovered an Oiler fumble on the Gator 29 to halt another Pearland drive.

Mid-way in the same period, Oiler defensive back Ray Mosely picked off a Raymond Young pass on the Dickinson 30. Quarterback Joe Howard gained 10 yards to the 20, and then Mickey Johnson ran the final 20 for the Oilers' lone score of the night. Paul Block booted the PAT with 4:42 remaining in the first half.

With only a couple of minutes left, Godard recovered a fumble on the Pearland 15. However, a halfback pass from



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Woods was intercepted  
Mosely again to kill that

Following a Gator punt mid-  
in the 3rd period, the  
drove to the Gator 21  
the Dickinson 48 as the  
punt by Thompson tra-  
only 9 yards.

Thompson made up for the  
punt by picking off an  
pass on the Gator 11.  
Eighty-nine yards and 17  
later, Shavers plunged  
the backs of Godard and  
ett for the score from the  
yard line. On that march,  
k carried the ball 7 times  
48 yards, and Shavers had  
yards on seven trips. Bara-  
booted the PAT and with  
to go in the contest, the  
rs led, 10-7.

The Oilers ran one play  
aving the kick-off and de-  
end Mike Mills re-  
ed the loose ball on the

Oiler 36. Three plays later,  
the Gators faced a 4th and 3  
situation from the 29. A Young  
to Little pass for 9 yards  
kept the drive alive.

Young then threw incom-  
plete, but Pawlik gained 7,  
Shavers picked up 6, and Paw-  
lik went over from the seven  
for the score. Barajaz again  
booted the PAT to make the  
count 17-7 with 8:15 left in  
the game.

The Oilers didn't quit as  
quarterback Joe Howard led  
them from their own 38 to a  
first and goal situation from  
the Gator 4.

The Gator defense then "got  
after it" and four cracks at  
the line by Howard moved the  
ball to within the one but not  
past the goal stripe as line-  
backer Robert Gerasimowicz  
and the rest of the Gator de-  
fense had their finest hour of  
the season.

Dickinson moved from the  
Gator 1 to the Pearland 44 be-

fore Thompson punted 42  
yards to the Oiler two.

Three plays later Carl  
Woods picked off a Howard  
pass and returned it 12 yards  
to the Pearland 42 and 3 plays  
later the clock ran out.

The Dickinson statistics a-  
gainst Pearland.

RUNNER	TC	NY	AVG.
Pawlik	25	121	4.8
Shavers	11	70	6.4
Altmore	10	42	4.2
Young	11	21	1.9
Woods	4	18	4.5
Cooke	1	3	3.0

	Gators	Oilers
1st Downs	21	11
Yds. Rushing	272	135
Passes	7-14	3-13
Yds. Passing	57	61
Fumbles Lost	1	3
Penalties	6-64	1-10
Running Plays	62	33
Total Plays	76	46