

East Bay is stifled by Sacramento 23-8 at Holiday Classic

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SACRAMENTO -- A stingy Sacramento defense shut down the East Bay's potent offense to produce a 23-8 victory in Sunday's Holiday Classic All-Star football game at Grant High.

The East Bay managed just 157 yards of total offense, including a net rushing total of minus-10 yards.

"A lot of great defensive linemen," East Bay coach Brian Hamilton of Concord High said about Sacramento. "They did a great job."

East Bay quarterback Ricky Lloyd of Concord was forced out of the pocket most of the afternoon by a stiff Sacramento pass rush. The new owner of the Northern California single-season passing yardage record was limited to 13 of 32 passing for 151 yards, two interceptions and one touchdown.

"The (Sacramento) D-line stepped it up and kind of threw us for a loop," said Lloyd, who has orally committed to play at Southern Mississippi.

Sacramento led 10-0 when the East Bay scored its only points late in the second quarter. A pass interference call on fourth down kept the East Bay's drive alive, and Lloyd found DeAndre Carter (Washington) in the back of the end zone for a 6-yard scoring pass. The same duo connected on the two-point conversion.

The opening kickoff of the second half spelled doom for the East Bay. George Atkinson III (Granada) fielded the kick and tried to hand off to his twin brother, Josh Atkinson, on a reverse, but the exchange was fumbled and Sacramento recovered.

That mistake was quickly converted

into a 2-yard scoring run by quarterback Dano Graves, who accounted for 85 touchdowns this season while leading Folsom to the California Interscholastic Federation Division II state title.

Sacramento scored again on its next drive on a 14-yard run by Quincy Forte (Vacaville) that put the game out of reach. Graves had a game-high 66 yards rushing on nine carries and also had a first-quarter touchdown pass to Mason Hastings (Pleasant Grove).

Among the East Bay highlights were interceptions by Antoine Pickett (De La Salle) and Trenton Trammell (Bishop O'Dowd). Carter caught five passes for 45 yards.

"The kids were great," Hamilton said. "They were unbelievable. All the kids were ready to work. It's a great tribute to all the coaches in the East Bay."

Holiday Classic All Star game Sacramento 23, East Bay 8

East Bay 0 8 0 0-- 8

Sacramento 7 3 13 0-- 23

S -- Hastings 11 pass from Graves (Campbell kick)

S -- FG Campbell 32

EB -- Carter 6 pass from Lloyd (Carter pass from Lloyd)

S -- Graves 2 run (Campbell kick)

S -- Forte 14 run (kick failed)

Statistics

Rushing: EB -- Pica 3-11, Lloyd 2-5, Marshall 1-3, Hughes 1-0, Carter 1-(-1), Woolsey 5-(-2), Waters 1-(-5), G. Atkinson 2-(-8), Team 2-(-13). Totals 18-(-10). S -- Graves 9-66, Trosin 6-49, Forte 10-40, McIntyre 7-26, Tofi 5-26, Thomas 6-17, Hastings 2-6. Totals 45-230.

Passing: EB -- Lloyd 13-32-2 151, Woolsey 2-7-0 16. Totals 15-39-2 167. S -- Graves 4-12-1 19, McIntyre 1-5-1 12. Totals 5-17-2 31.

Receiving: EB -- Taft 3-47, Carter 5-45, Pica 3-39, Shapiro 2-24, G. Atkinson 1-14, Hughes 1-(-2). S -- Trosin 2-25, Hastings 1-11, Perry 2-(-5).

Fumbles/lost: East Bay 2/1, Sacramento 0/0.