

Redbirds Knock Out Little Giants

The Varsity Metamora Redbird football team took on the Canton Little Giants last Friday night at Malone Field in front of a large Homecoming crowd. The crowd didn't see much of a game though as the Redbirds dominated Canton with a 73-12 victory.

The Redbirds scored 28 points in the 1st quarter and added 31 points in the 2nd quarter to take a 59-6 lead at the half. In the 2nd half, Metamora added 14 more points as the Redbird reserve players continued the offensive attack. Metamora's defense held the Little Giants to two touchdowns on the night in what could only be described as a stellar performance.

Offensively Metamora recorded a total of 644 yards – 538 of them on the ground. Aaron Peters (#47) and Kody Kanaga (#39) each had pair of rushing touchdowns in the first half. Quarterbacks Michael Fay (#15) and Christian Roth (#8) added rushing touchdowns while Mike VanDeVeer (#48) caught a 44 yard pass from Fay. Kicker Brennen VanMieghem (#26) kicked a 25 yard field goal as Metamora scored on every possession in the 1st half except last the one as time ran out.

In the 2nd half, Grant Whittington (#4) collected his second touchdown of the game (one in each half) on a 25 yard run. Metamora completed its scoring in the final minute as Chase Reatherford (#33) rushed 90 yards for the game's final TD.

The Redbirds should easily maintain their #1 state ranking in class 5A this week with this decisive victory. The Birds take it on the road to Limestone this Friday and return home on October 17th to complete Mid-Illini conference play against the Morton Potters. Metamora's final regular season home game will be against rival Pontiac on October 24th. Come cheer on these outstanding Redbirds.