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Youthful Moscow Cruises to Victory

(Moscow)- The Moscow Wildcats returned just one starter on both sides of the ball heading into this season. This hasn't slowed down the Wildcats though as they are now 2-0 after a 42-8 victory over Rolla Friday night.

The Wildcats were led by sophomore quarterback Breck Roop who ran for two touchdowns and threw for another.

Roop's first score came in the first quarter on a 42 yard run for a touchdown. The two point conversion failed.

Roop then added another score to give Moscow a 12-0 lead in the second quarter on a 65 yard romp to the end zone. The two point conversion again failed.

Moscow's next points came by another youthful Wildcat as sophomore Ty Herman scored on a two yard touchdown run on a drive that lasted four plays and covered 25 yards. After a failed two point conversion Moscow led 18-0.

Moments later it was Roop hooking up with sophomore receiver Osvaldo Granillo for a touchdown. Roop found Granillo again on a slant route to complete the two point conversion giving Moscow a 26-0 halftime lead.

The Wildcats came out strong to begin the third quarter as senior Ismael Flores ran 46 yards for a touchdown. After the ensuing kickoff Rolla's first play from scrimmage of the possession resulted in a safety on a snap that landed in the end zone. This gave Moscow a 34-0 lead.

Moscow's final score of the game came near the end of the third quarter when yet another sophomore scored as Jonaton Manriquez had a four yard touchdown run, and also converted the two point conversion on a halfback dive.

Rolla scored their lone touchdown of the game in the fourth quarter on a ten yard touchdown run by junior quarterback Bo Ferrell. The two point conversion was successful.

The Pirates of Rolla are now 0-2 on the season and will host Haviland next Friday. Moscow is now 2-0 and will play at Ingalls next Friday, whom they defeated 56-0 last year by halftime due to the mercy rule in eight man football.

Note: Moscow senior Dalton Cross was crowned Homecoming King before the game.

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