

AXTELL LONGHORNS vs

MART PANTHERS

Game 11 — November 14, 2008

Class A Division II Playoffs Bi-District Game Played at Fairfield 7:30 P.M.



Turnovers cause losses. No other way to put it. Score should have been 21 - 7 Axtell, at worst. We have got to hang on to the football if we expect to win. It is really frustrating to move the ball up and down the field and then not get in. With our offense we should be able to allow 7 points defensively and still come out on top. We did not so we have to re- group. I really wanted to win the last home game for our Seniors and our Fans. The positive thing about it, is that it was not our last game. Mart this week in a Bi-district ball game at Fairfield. From what I understand Axtell has never beaten Mart except in 1975 when Mart was class B maybe. Well, I am ready for that record to fall. However, we will have to play exceptional. They probably have the best team that I have seen in a while at the 1A level. They have good size and great speed. They are very tough to defend. This week we will work really hard at keeping the ball away from them and eating up the clock. We are looking forward to the challenge and are excited about being in the State Playoffs for only the 6th time in school history. Please come out and support the Longhorns this week. Thanks for your support.

To your success, Reaching Higher <>< Coach Cadell

Axtell Longhorns Football *2008* 8/29/2008 **MERIDIAN** 26 27 9/5/2008 Н CLIFTON 14 6 9/12/2008 Н **HOLLAND** 31 0 BOSQUEVILLE 28 9/19/2008 Α 36 12 9/26/2008 **ITASCA** 38 10/3/2008 Н **FROST** 56 8 10/10/2008 Α **ITALY** 18 13 10/24/2008 Н **HUBBARD** 49 20 10/31/2008 **WORTHAM** 41 0 н 7 11/7/2008 **DAWSON** 11/14/2008 Fairfield **MART** 6

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	9/18/2008	н	Bosqueville	30	8	
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	10/30/2008	н	Salado	20	28	
	11/6/2008	Н	Robinson	8	36	

Axtell Longhorns JV Football 2008

CLASS A DISTRICT 21

<u>District Standings</u>

Itasca	10-0	6-0
Dawson	6-4	5-1
Axtell	6-4	4-2
Italy	4-6	3-3
Hubbard	2-8	2-4
Wortham	1-9	1-5
Frost	0-10	0-6

Scoreboard and Schedule

Scoreboard

Dawson 7, Axtell 0

Itasca 31, Italy 28

Hubbard 26, Wortham 7

Frost Open

Upcoming Schedules

Bi-District

Nov 14 Axtell vs Mart (Fairfield)

Nov 14 Itasca vs Normangee (Ferris)

Nov 15 Dawson vs Bremond (Temple)

Robinson 36, Axtell 8

(Axtell) – The Axtell Longhorns wrapped up their 2008 season on a down note. The Robinson Rockets visited Ellison Field and went home with a win under their belts. They went up by a pair of touchdowns in the first quarter and never looked back. The first score came on the opening drive of the game in the form of an 18 yard run. The Horns answered with a nice drive of their own, getting to the Rocket 21 before turning the ball over on downs. The measurement showed that they missed the first down by inches. Robinson then drove 79 yards, capping the drive with a 33 yard touchdown run.

The defenses then settled in and the teams traded possessions for most of the rest of the half. Robinson took over on downs after an Axtell drive faltered at the Rocket 28-yard line. The first down play was a pass for 47 yards to the Horn 25. They followed up with a 25 yard scoring pass and a 20-0 lead. The pass failed and the scored stayed put. The Horns returned the kickoff to the forty yard line and a personal foul had them starting from the Rocket forty five. Josh Reynolds legged it in from 34 yards out with 3 seconds left on the clock. Reynolds connected with Matthew Martinez and the lead was cut to 12.

The Horns took the second half kickoff and was forced to punt. Robinson added a 75-yard drive on their first possession after intermission. The score came on a 29-yard pass play. The conversion run made the score 28-8 with 2:47 left in the quarter.

Facing a fourth down at midfield, Axtell again faked the punt and this time completed a pass to the Rocket 29-yard line. But the drive stalled at that point and Robinson took over on downs. The final score of the night came on a 62 yard scamper. The conversion made the final score 36-8. Axtell was not through after the score. They started at their own 30-yard line and drove down the field, getting to the Rocket 21 before they ran out of downs. The Rockets were then able to run out the clock.

Dawson 7, Axtell 0

(Axtell) – The Axtell Longhorns had reinforced some age old football truths Friday night. These truths were that lack of execution hurts, fumbles kill drives and penalties put you in a deep hole. The Longhorn offense played well enough to control the game but fumbles on the Dawson side of the field at 12 yard line, 5 yard line and 25 yard line killed potential scoring drives. The Horns did not execute on a 4th and goal at the Dawson one yard line. Penalties put the Horns into a 4th and 42 late in the game. The final damage was Dawson 7, Axtell 0.

After stopping Dawson's first drive, the offense proceeded to drive down the field. Weston Popham trying for extra yards on a QB keeper lost the ball and the Dawson took over at their own 12 yard line. It became apparent that the Bulldogs would try to burn as much clock as possible when they had the ball. They threw only three passes the whole game. When they did pass the receivers were in position to make plays, but the Dogs were unable to get them the ball. The rest of the game, they kept the ball on the ground and picked up 306 steps on 59 carries. A high school game is 48 minutes long and Dawson had possession for almost 30 of those. This strategy paid big dividends because if the high powered Longhorn offense is not on the field, they can't score. Axtell had four possessions in the first half and three in the second.

Late in the half, the Horns were again driving and appeared to be in position to score before intermission when the loose ball syndrome struck again. This time they turned it over at the Dog 25-yard line. Dawson was content to run out the clock and go into the half tied at 0-0.

Axtell received the opening second half kickoff before losing the ball at the Dogs 5 yard line. Dawson took over and put together their only drive of the evening. Nick Warren wrapped up the 95 yard drive with a 40 yard run midway through the quarter. Steven Travis closed out the scoring for the evening. Axtell answered the scoring drive by driving to the Dawson one yard line. Going for the score on 4th and goal, the Bulldog defense answered the call and kept the Horns short of pay dirt. Now with the lead, the ball control offense of the Bulldogs became crucial. While not getting in a position to increase their lead, they kept the Horn offense standing on the sideline as they burned precious minutes from the clock.

Axtell's final opportunity to tie the game, their only possession of the final period, would die on the flittering of the yellow hankie. When Bulldog defenders drove Popham out of bounds and tackled him in the middle of the Longhorn team standing on the sidelines, those of us in the stands were looking for a big penalty. We got it, but it was against the team wearing red. This penalty put Axtell in a bit of a hole. Another personal foul found Axtell deep in their own territory and facing a 4th and 42. Dawson got the ball back in great field position and when it appeared the Horns may get another crack at driving the ball, a yellow hankie gave Dawson a first down. They were content to run out the clock and take home a hard fought victory.

While the Bulldog defense contributed, the best defense Axtell faced all night was the Axtell offense. Perhaps, the Horns will learn a valuable lesson to close out the regular season. Let's hope so, because they face the Mart Panthers in Bi-District this Friday in Fairfield. The will be the sixth trip into the state playoffs for the Horns and it will be the second edition taken there by Coach Cadell.

Axtell finished the District 21-A race in third place with a record of 4-2 and wrapped up the regular season at 6-4.

Dawson 7, Axtell 0

Dawson	0	0	7	0	7
Axtell	0	0	0	0	0

First Quarter

Second Quarter

Third Quarter

Dawson - Nick Warren 40 run (Steven Travis kick), 6:08

Fourth Quarter

robinson 36, Axtell 8

Robinson	14	6	8	8	36
Axtell	0	8	0	0	8

First Quarter

Robinson - 18 run (pass failed) 6:20 Robinson - 33 run (pass good) 0:15

Second Quarter

Robinson - 25 pass (pass failed) 1:18 Axtell - Josh Reynolds 34 run (Martinez pass from Reynolds) 0:03

Third Quarter

Robinson - 29 pass (run good) 2:47

Fourth Quarter

Robinson - 62 run (run good)

Game 10 vs dawson

Waco Tribune-Herald

Honorable Mention

Offense:

Defense: Ryan Clark

Brandon Bordovsky

Seth Keene

Series History-Mart

Game Number 7

First Meeting 1982 0-41 in Mart

Last Meeting 2003 7-28 in Mart

Last Victory N/A

Last Defeat 2003 7-28 in Mart

Largest Victory N/A

Largest Defeat 1983 8-66 in Axtell

Closest Game wo Tie 2002 15-32 in Axtell

Scoring All-Time 30-266

Average Score 5-44

Record All-Time 0-6-0

Record Last 10 0-6-0

Current Win Streak 6 By Mart

Longest Streak (Axtell) N/A

Longest Streak (Opp) 6 1982-Present

FOR THE RECORD					
Game 11 Record					
All-time Record	4-2-0				
Coach Cadell Record	1-0-0				
All-time Points	106-89				
Coach Cadell Points	27-25				
All-time Av Score	18-15				
Coach Cadell Av Score	27-25				
November 14t	November 14th Record				
All-time Record	3-2-0				
Coach Cadell Record	0-0-0				
All-time Points	113-87				
Coach Cadell Points	0-0				
All-time Av Score	23-17				
Coach Cadell Av Score	0-0				

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Use

This is Axtell's first play-off team since 2004.

Axtell first made the playoff in 1974.

Despite going 9-0-1 in 1973, Axtell did not advance to the playoffs. That year Big Sandy and Axtell were the only Class B teams with no losses. Big Sandy won the state championship.

Axtell's first play-off game victory was against Sabine Pass in 1974.

Axtell's last play-off game victory was against Rocksprings in 2004.

Axtell's playoff games have taken them to Huntsville, Corsicana, Crockett, Kilgore, Brady, Comanche, Moody, Marble Falls and Wimberly.

Looking Back at Longhorn History

Game 11

November 22, 1974

Axtell 26, Sabine Pass 0

Game Number

Note: This game was covered in the 2007 Season recap newsletter but I am running it again because this was the first playoff game in Longhorn history.

Axtell Rumbles By Sharks 26-0

Saturday, November 23, 1974 Waco Times Herald

HUNTSVILLE (SPL) – Versatile Jack McLennan scored two touchdowns as the seventh-ranked Axtell Longhorns stampeded past Sabine Pass 26-0 in Class B bi-district competition here Friday night.

An opportunistic defense paced the Longhorns to an 18-0 lead in the first quarter and the Longhorns were never scared by the Sharks, who ended the season at 9-2.

Axtell, now 10-1 with a 7-0 loss to Moody, the sixth ranked Class B school in the state, the only tarnish on its record, scored on its first three possessions of the game.

Sabine Pass, meanwhile found out early about the Longhorns defense, losing the ball on turnovers the first two series it ran and could get only one first down in the three possessions. It was one of the few offensive highlights for the Sharks, who managed only five first downs for the night.

About the only thing the Sharks won all night was the coin flip and that joy didn't last for long.

On the first play from scrimmage, a pitchout intended for Shark fullback Steven Louviere went awry and Longhorn defensive end Tom Norman found it at the Sabine Pass 15.

Despite a 3-yard loss on the first play, fullback Preston Dennis scored on the third play of the short drive to give the Longhorns a quick 6-0 lead, after only 28 seconds had run off the clock.

After Sabine Pass gained their first first down after the second Axtell kickoff within a minute, the Sharks found rough waters again. Quarterback David Peltier dropped back and lofted a pass downfield from the 50, but defensive half-back David Hull, who intercepted three stray Shark passes, picked off his first of the night and returned it to the Sabine Pass 35.

Two quick runs by halfback Randy Seaman moved the ball to the 27, but on third and two david Hull, who also plays quarterback, was thrown for a 7-yard loss. So the Longhorns decided to gamble on fourth-and-nine, and Hull hit McLennan with a 34-yard touchdown strike. It was the 24th touchdown of the year for McLennan, who was to score his 25th in the second quarter.

Seaman, who was seeing almost as much time putting the ball on the tee as he was running with the ball, teed it up again – and again the Shark offense fizzled under pressure of the Longhorn defense. Four plays after the kickoff, Louviere booted a 25 yard punt which McLennan took at his 38 and was only able to return it three yards. But another error – this one a personal foul – moved the ball to the Sabine Pass 38.

Two plays gained eight yards before Dennis, who carried 15 times for 84 yards, broke loose for a 20-yard gain to the Shark 10. Two plays later, Dennis broke loose on a six-yard run for the touchdown.

After that, the Longhorns seemed content to trade punts with Shark miscues the rest of the game, all the Longhorns except McLennan, that is.

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On the 12th play of the second quarter, after the teams had traded punts, Sabine Pass was faced with another punting situation with fourth-and-five at its own 19. McLennan took the punt at midfield and scampered down the east sidelines for the final 26-0 score.

From there on out, the Longhorn defense took control of the game. Paced by David Hull's three interceptions, linebacker Bill Hull's interception and overall finwswdwnarew play, the Longhorns held the 12-B champion Sharks to 127 yards total offense for the night.

Defensive guard Jay Whitaker led a Longhorn uprising in the last quarter to put down any hopes of a Shark comeback as Whitaker sacked the Sharks quarterback three straight times.

Sabine Pass	0	0	0	0	-	0
Axtell	18	8	0	0	-	26

A – Dennis 5 run (run failed)

A – McLennan 34 pass from D. Hull (pass failed)

A – Dennis 6 run (attempt<sic> failed)

A – McLennan 50 punt return (Dennis run)

	Axtell	Sabine Pass
First Downs	14	UTR*
Rushing Yardage	UTR	UTR
Passing Yardage	UTR	UTR
Passes Comp Att	2 - 5	UTR
Passes Intercepted by	4	UTR
Punts	4 – 28	7 - 30
Fumbles - lost	0	UTR
Penalties – yards	11 – 110	5 – 55

^{*} UTR - Unable to Read. The newspaper quality was too poor to read this area.

AXTELL LONGHORN FOOTBALL 2008 Varsity Roster

#	NAME	POSTION	CLASS
2	Kyle Voss	1WR / DB	12
3	Brandon Graff	WR / DB	11
5	Hunter Cadell	FB / DE	12
7	Greg Garrett	WR / OLB	12
8	Weston Popham	QB / DB	12
10	Seth Keene	FB / ILB	11
11	Jake Brock	WR / DB	12
13	Charlie Groce	QB / DB	12
17	Robert Bordovsky	RB / DB	11
20	Brandon Bordovsky	RB / OLB	10
21	Porter Miles	RB / DB	12
22	Jacob Kubitza	FB / ILB	9
24	Ryan Lee	RB / ILB	12
27	Jonathan Smart	TE / OLB	11
35	Taylor Dunlap	TE / ILB	12
51	Brandon Trent	OL / DE	11
54	Kalyn Yose	OL / DL	12
56	Nick Farias	OL / DL	12
67	Chris Krolczyk	OL / DL	10
68	Jeff Armstrong	OL / DL	12
70	David Hall	OL / DE	12
72	Cody Stevens	OL / DL	11
75	Ryan Clark	OL / DL	12
77	Bobby Dillard	OL / DL	12
80	Jay Helleck	WR / OLB	10

Coaches: Rusty Reynolds, Brandon Dieterich, Dale Snelling, Andy Thorne, Scott Richardson, Mark Vardeman

AD / Head Football: Mike Cadell

Trainer: Taylor Gomez

Cheerleader Sponsors: Debbie Headley, Debra Hawthorne

Manager: Eric Montgomery

Student Managers: Myranda Shiner, Travis Martinez, Peyton Downs, Cameron Garland, Randi Bomnskie, Braxton Stefka, Jesse

Rutledge.

Band Director: Susan Young Asst. Eric Patterson

Superintendent: Stanley Harris

Principal: Dale Monsey

Asst. Danette Stranacher

AXTELL LONGHORN FOOTBALL 2008 Junior Varsity Roster

No	Name	Position
1	Mykel King	HB / Sec.
2	Keith Lindsay	TE / Sec.
3	Bubba Brunson	HB / Sec.
5	Greg Clark	FB / DE
8	Randal Outlaw	WR / Sec.
9	J. Pat Martin	TE / LB
11	Ryan Linkous	WR / Sec
12	Colby Tennison	WR / LB
13	Josh Reynolds	QB / Sec
20	Mathew Martinez	HB / LB
32	Randy Smith	FB/LB
40	Mark Lindstrom	TE / LB
48	J. J. Galvan	WR / LB
51	Jonathan Bartley	G/LB
52	Kris Brooks	G / DE
53	Cody Chisholm	G/LB
54	Brady Skinner	C/LB
55	Andrew Chapman	T/DT
58	Alex Markley	T/DT
60	James Saulters	G/LB
64	Greg Alders	T/DE
66	Brandon Lee	T/DT
67	Austin Stecher	G/T/DT
68	Ethan Keenan	G/DT
70	Darius Marton	G/DT
72	Jeremy Riser	T / DE
75	Casey Fedro	T/DT
77	Jordan Alders	T/DT
80	Moses Arias	WR / Sec
83	Josh Stone	TE / DE

Coach Dale Snelling

Stadium Map(Taken Off the Internet - Accuracy not verified)

