

# Irish Football 2008

## Lyncs Claw Irish

September 13, 2008

**Lynden, WA** – The Fighting Irish took the show on the road on Friday, taking on the Lynden Christian Lyncs in a non conference matchup in Lynden, WA. The Irish had an edge in play in the first half but could not put many points up on the board and ended up on the short end of a 27-12 score. The loss puts the team's record at 2-1.

The Irish took the opening kickoff but could not get much going and were forced to punt. **Chris Adams** got an excellent kick away and it was downed 50 yards down field deep in Lyncs territory. The Irish defense led by **Cody Rossi**, held the home team and their fourth down punt gave VC possession on Lynden's 39-yard line. Passes from **Sam Sekhon** to **James Emerson** put the ball on the 1-yard line and **Brandon Roney** went over from there to give College a 6-0 lead after the convert failed. Neither side could generate much offense for the balance of the quarter. Both **Lucas Cordick** and **James Lee** played a big role in keeping the Lyncs off the scoreboard.

Most of the second quarter saw much of the same – some good defensive plays and little in the way of offense. Again, the Irish defense held strong with some outstanding plays by **Michael Cooper** and **Chris Adams**. Late in the quarter, with 40 seconds on the clock, the Lyncs punched the ball into the Irish end zone to go up 7-6. It was the first time the

Irish were scored upon in 119 minutes and 20 seconds of play this season.

Midway through the third quarter the combination of a **Chris Armstrong** knock down of a first down pass and a **Chris Adams** interception on the subsequent second down play gave VC the ball on the Lynden 39-yard line. **Sam Sekhon** then tossed a swing pass to **Garret Sanvido** who evaded a number of tackles and sprinted to the end zone for College's second major of the game. The subsequent two-point conversion attempt was unsuccessful and the Irish were back up 12-7. The lead did not last long as Lynden scored again towards the end of the quarter to go into the final stanza up 14-12.

Lynden scored again early in the quarter to go up 20-12. VC almost got to within a point when **Garret Sanvido** raced 86 yards for what appeared to be the another score only to have the run negated by a penalty called behind the play. That seemed to deflate the Irish who ultimately lost possession on downs. With little time left on the clock the Lyncs scored again to put the game out of reach.

The Irish are on the road again next week, traveling to Kelowna to face the Rutland Voodoos in their final non-conference game of the season.

2. James Emerson
3. Garret Sanvido / Lucas Cordick

### HONOURABLE MENTION

Francesco Renzullo	Ryan Wong
Michael Cooper	Matthew Pauls
Giovanni Boscariol	

### IRISH STATISTICS

#### RUSHING

Garret Sanvido 9 / 90 yards

#### PASSING

Sam Sekhon 13/29 for 151 yards – 1TD

#### RECEIVING

James Emerson 5 / 52  
Garret Sanvido 2 / 54 – 1tD

#### INTERCEPTIONS

Chris Adams 1

#### SACKS

Michael Cooper 2  
Chris Armstrong 1

#### KICKOFF RETURNS

James Emerson 1 / 38 yards

#### TACKLES

Lucas Cordick	10
Francesco Renzullo	8
James Lee	7
Michael Cooper	7
Matthew Pauls	7

### THREE STARS

1. James Lee