

# Irish Football 2008

## Irish Crush Eagles

October 11, 2008

**O'Hagan Field** – At the outset it looked like the Fighting Irish were going to be in for a ball game but a dominating second quarter offensive display saw VC pound the Carson Graham Eagles 42-3 to win their second conference game in a row. The win for the Irish improved their lifetime record against the Eagles to 10-2.

Carson took possession first and moved the ball down the field but lost possession on a fourth down gamble. VC got the ball but gave it right back with a fumble. The Eagle running back then broke through the VC lines and raced towards the end zone but a touchdown saving tackle by **Chris Adams** gave them the ball on the Irish 5-yard line. The College defense stiffened and Carson was forced to settle for a field goal of 27 yards. The ensuing kickoff was returned 43 yards by **James Emerson** to give VC possession at midfield. **Garret Sanvido** took it 15 yards closer to the 35-yard line and then **Sam Sekhon** threw a perfect strike to **James Emerson** at the goal line to put the Irish out in front to stay at 6-3. The Eagles tried to come back but were intercepted by **Lucas Cordick** on the Irish 22-yard line. VC started to move the ball downfield on the strength of excellent offensive line blocking and strong running by **Garret Sanvido** as the quarter ended.

The wheels fell off for Carson Graham in the second quarter. On the first play, Sanvido raced 30 yards for the second Irish score and he converted his own major with a two point run. The following series saw the Eagles go three and out and the Irish take possession near midfield. Again, it was Sanvido leading the charge as College moved the ball downfield to the three where he scored his second

touchdown of the game to put the Irish up 21-3. After another Eagle three and out, the Irish went to the air. **Sam Sekhon** found **Thomas Scrubb** with a 58-yard pass and run and, from the 10 yard line, threw a strike to **Cody Rossi** for another College score. After the Eagles were forced to punt for the third consecutive time, the Irish stayed in the air. Sekhon threw a swing pass to **Garret Sanvido** who went 31 yards before being knocked out of bounds and found **Cody Rossi** again with a 33 yard pass to put the ball on the Carson 3-yard line. From there **Brandon Roney** found the end zone to put VC up 35-3. The kickoff following the Roney touchdown kind of summed up the way the day was going for the Eagles. Their returner decided to try a reverse handoff to generate some yards but, unfortunately, his partner was not on the same page and he just tossed the ball towards the end zone. **Jeremy Sroka** tackled the returner and pushed the ball over the goal line where **Lucas Cordick** jumped on it for another Irish touchdown, making it 42-3 as the half came to a merciful end for Carson.

With the referees now invoking the “mercy” rule, the clock was put on running time and the second half was over before you knew it.

The Irish substituted liberally and while the offence was unable to generate any further scoring the defense continued its strong play led by **Cody Rossi** who added two sacks to his totals.

Next up for the Irish is a very tough Mt Douglas team that hammered VC in last year's meeting on the Island.

### THREE STARS

1. Sam Sekhon
2. Garret Sanvido

3. Cody Rossi / Francesco Renzullo

### HONOURABLE MENTION

Matthew Pauls	James Emerson
Jeremy Sroka	Geno Lalana
Ryan Wong	Brandon Roney
Garrett Ling-Lee	Matthias Goossen
Nanwoong Yoon	Lucas Cordick

### IRISH STATISTICS

#### RUSHING

Garret Sanvido 12 / 139 yards – 2 TD's  
Brandon Roney 11 / 46 yards – 1TD

#### PASSING

Sam Sekhon 9 / 11 for 192 yards – 2TD's

#### RECEIVING

Thomas Scrubb 1 / 58  
James Emerson 4 / 48 – 1 TD  
Cody Rossi 2 / 43 – 1 TD

#### SACKS

Cody Rossi 3

#### KICKOFF RETURNS

James Emerson 1 / 43 yards

#### INTERCEPTIONS

Lucas Cordick 1 / 0

#### TACKLES

Cody Rossi	10
Francesco Renzullo	9
Matthew Pauls	5
Geno Lalana	5
Ryan Wong	5
Sagar Bachra	5