

1977 Empire Football League (provided by Steve Brainerd)

Albany Metro-Mallers

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| N7/16 | 6 | @Syracuse Bisons | 30 | L |
| 7/30 | 13 | ONEONTA | 0 | W |
| 8/6 | 35 | HUDSON | 0 | W |
| 8/13 | 2 | ROTTERDAM | 0 | W(Forfeit) |
| 8/20 | 6 | JOHNSTOWN | 39 | L |
| 8/27 | 19 | @Watertown | 30 | L |
| 9/3 | 30 | @Rotterdam | 13 | W |
| 9/10 | 7 | @Johnstown | 33 | L |
| 9/17 | 28 | WATERTOWN | 31 | L(OT) |
| 9/24 | 7 | @Hudson Falls | 21 | L |
| 10/1 | 3 | @Troy | 13 | L |
| | 150 | | 180 | 4-6 |
| | 156 | | 210 | 4-7 |

Hudson (Twin Co) Hudson

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| X7/23 | 0 | @Johnstown | 38 | L |
| 7/30 | 14 | WATERTOWN | 21 | L |
| 8/6 | 0 | @Albany | 35 | L |
| 8/13 | 0 | @Troy | 30 | L |
| 8/20 | 6 | ONEONTA | 41 | L |
| 8/27 | 7 | @Hudson Falls | 27 | L |
| 9/3 | 14 | @Oneonta | 29 | L |
| 9/10 | 14 | HUDSON FALLS | 54 | L |
| 9/17 | 6 | TROY | 26 | L |
| 9/24 | 6 | @Rotterdam | 13 | L |
| 10/1 | 7 | JOHNSTOWN | 24 | L |
| | 74 | | 300 | 0-10 |

Hudson Falls Greenjackets

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| N7/23 | 2 | BROOKLYN Golden Knights | 39 | L |
| 7/30 | 14 | @Johnstown | 34 | L |
| 8/6 | 9 | @Watertown | 28 | L |
| 8/14 | 6 | ONEONTA | 7 | L |
| 8/20 | 0 | @Troy | 27 | L |
| 8/27 | 27 | HUDSON | 6 | W |
| 9/3 | 9 | TROY | 12 | L |
| 9/10 | 54 | @Hudson | 14 | W |
| 9/17 | 14 | @Oneonta | 7 | W |
| 9/24 | 21 | ALBANY | 7 | W |
| 10/1 | 31 | ROTTERDAM | 0 | W |
| | 185 | | 142 | 5-5 |

Semifinal Playoff

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| 10/8 | 6 | @Johnstown | 7 | L |
| | 193 | | 188 | 5-7 |

Johnstown (Gove Cities) Colonials

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| X7/23 | 38 | HUDSON | 0 | W |
| 7/30 | 34 | HUDSON FALLS | 14 | W |
| 8/6 | 16 | TROY | 17 | L |
| 8/13 | 49 | WATERTOWN | 20 | W |
| 8/20 | 39 | @Albany | 6 | W |
| 8/27 | 28 | ROTTERDAM | 7 | W |
| 9/3 | 9 | @Watertown | 7 | W |
| 9/10 | 33 | ALBANY | 7 | W |
| 9/17 | 37 | @Rotterdam | 7 | W |
| 9/24 | 26 | @Oneonta | 16 | W |
| 10/1 | 24 | @Hudson | 7 | W |
| | 295 | | 108 | 9-1 |

Semifinal Playoff

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| 10/8 | 7 | HUDSON FALLS | 6 | W |
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Championship

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| 10/15 | 3 | @Troy | 6 | L |
| Oneonta Indians | | | | |
| N7/23 | 7 | BINGHAMTON Jets | 34 | L |
| 7/30 | 0 | @Albany | 13 | L |
| 8/6 | 28 | @Rotterdam | 6 | W |
| 8/14 | 7 | @Hudson Falls | 6 | W |
| 8/20 | 41 | @Hudson | 6 | W |
| 8/27 | 0 | TROY | 40 | L |
| 9/3 | 29 | HUDSON | 14 | W |
| 9/10 | 0 | @Troy | 21 | L |
| 9/17 | 7 | HUDSON FALLS | 14 | L |
| 9/24 | 16 | JOHNSTOWN | 26 | L |
| 10/1 | 14 | WATERTOWN | 27 | L |
| | 142 | | 173 | 4-6 |
| | 149 | | 209 | 4-7 |

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| Rotterdam Eagles | | | | |
| N7/16 | 14 | @Rochester Mustangs | 35 | L |
| N7/23 | 13 | LONG ISLAND Giants | 20 | L |
| 7/30 | 0 | @Troy | 35 | L |
| 8/6 | 6 | ONEONTA | 28 | L |
| 8/13 | 0 | @Albany | 2 | L (Forfeit) |
| 8/20 | 20 | WATERTOWN | 34 | L |
| 8/27 | 7 | @Johnstown | 28 | L |
| 9/3 | 13 | ALBANY | 30 | L |
| 9/10 | 0 | @Watertown | 40 | L |
| 9/17 | 7 | JOHNSTOWN | 37 | L |
| 9/24 | 13 | HUDSON | 6 | W |
| 10/1 | 0 | @Hudson Falls | 31 | L |
| | 66 | | 276 | 1-9 |
| | 93 | | 339 | 1-11 |

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| Troy Uncle Sams | | | | |
| 7/30 | 35 | ROTTERDAM | 0 | W |
| 8/6 | 17 | @John | 16 | W |
| 8/13 | 30 | HUDSON | 0 | W |
| 8/20 | 27 | HUDSON FALLS | 0 | W |
| 8/27 | 40 | @Oneonta | 0 | W |
| 9/3 | 12 | @Hudson Falls | 9 | W |
| 9/10 | 21 | ONEONTA | 0 | W |
| 9/17 | 26 | @Hudson | 6 | W |
| 9/24 | 22 | @Watertown | 14 | W |
| 10/1 | 13 | ALBANY | 3 | W |
| | 243 | | 48 | 10-0 |

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| Semifinal Playoff | | | | |
| 10/8 | 14 | WATERTOWN | 0 | W |
| Championship | | | | |
| 10/15 | 6 | JOHNSTOWN | 3 | W |

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| Watertown Red & Black | | | | |
| 7/30 | 21 | @Hudson | 14 | W |
| 8/6 | 28 | HUDSON FALLS | 9 | W |
| 8/13 | 20 | @Johnstown | 49 | L |
| 8/20 | 34 | @Rotterdam | 20 | W |
| 8/27 | 30 | ALBANY | 19 | W (2336) |
| 9/3 | 7 | JOHNSTOWN | 9 | L |
| 9/10 | 40 | ROTTERDAM | 0 | W |
| 9/19 | 31 | @Albany | 28 | W(OT) |
| 9/24 | 14 | TROY | 22 | L |
| 10/1 | 27 | @Oneonta | 14 | W |
| | 252 | | 184 | 7-3 |

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| Semifinal Playoff | | | | |
| 10/8 | 0 | @Troy | 14 | L |

FINAL STANDINGS

| <u>Valley Division</u> | W | L | Pct | Pts | Opp |
|------------------------|----|----|-------|-----|-----|
| Troy | 10 | 0 | 1.000 | 243 | 48 |
| Hudson Falls | 5 | 5 | .500 | 185 | 142 |
| Oneonta | 4 | 6 | .400 | 142 | 173 |
| Hudson | 0 | 10 | .000 | 74 | 300 |

Central Division

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|-----------|---|---|------|-----|-----|
| Johnstown | 9 | 1 | .900 | 295 | 108 |
| Watertown | 7 | 3 | .700 | 252 | 184 |
| Albany | 4 | 6 | .400 | 150 | 180 |
| Rotterdam | 1 | 1 | .100 | 66 | 276 |

1. 1976 member New York State Conference.

ALLSTAR TEAM

Offense - 1ST

WR- Norm Tycarzcy, Watertown
Chip Virkler, Watertown*
TE- John V'dovcak, Johnstown
T- Mike Myers, Troy
John Martin, Hudson Falls
G- Lou Carlero, Johnstown
Keith Potter, Hudson Falls
C- Charles Mitthum, Albany

QB- Bob Bean, Johnstown

RB- Joe Hall, Johnstown* - MVP
Mark Loftus, Watertown

2ND team

Steve Gorton, Hudson Falls
NONE
Larry Turski, Rotterdam
Bob Franklin, Johnstown
NONE
Al Natole, Johnstown
Dennis DiGesare, Albany
Kevin Velasco, Oneonta
Don Hopper, Johnstown
Terry Gorton Hudson Falls
Shawn Brady, Watertown
Bob Bond, Hudson Falls
John Pease, Hudson - MVP

Defense

E- Bob Sherlock, Johnstown*
John Vallelunga, Troy*
Gary Comeau, Johnstown
Dave Jefferson, Hudson
T- Gary Oliver, Oneonta
Phil Cathcart, Hudson Falls
LB- Dave Kawalski, Troy
Steve Bailey, Troy
Harry Robinson, Johnstown
John Case, Hudson Falls
CB- John Van Buren, Troy - MVP
John Hopper, Troy
S- Mike Malatino, Johnstown
Steve Church, Albany

Jim Gadfrey, Hudson Falls
NONE
Rudi Vido, Albany
Tim Diamond, Johnstown
Bill Thomas, Watertown
Gary Hearst, Rotterdam
John Jenkins. Hudson Falls

Tony Devizzio. Hudson Falls
Mike Galeo, Troy
Gary Weinlein, Troy
Mike Bonner, Oneonta

Specialists

P- John Pease, Hudson
PK- Harry Robinson, Johnstown
KR- John Van Buren. Troy
Dale Holmes, Johnstown
Jim Harberson, Watertown
Ed George, Oneonta

Coach of the Year: Dave Fleck, Troy

Coach of the Year: Don Benton, Johnstown
Defense MVP: Phil Cathcart, Hudson Falls

Statistics

| Scoring | Td | XP | FG | TP |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|----|-----|
| Joe Hall, Johnstown | 11* | - | - | 66* |
| Jim Harberson, Watertown | - | 32* | 6* | 50 |
| Berdar, Troy | 8 | - | - | 48 |
| Mark Loftus, Watertown | 8 | - | - | 48 |
| Harry Robinson, Johnstown | - | 28 | 3 | 37 |
| Byrd, Albany | 6 | - | - | 36 |
| George, Oneonta | 6 | - | - | 36 |
| Chip Virkler, Watertown | 6 | - | - | 36 |
| Zecolla, Troy | 6 | - | - | 36 |

| Rushing | C | Yds | Ave | T |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|----|
| Loftus, Watertown | 127 | 889* | 7.3* | 6 |
| Hall, Johnstown | 142 | 887 | 6.2 | 11 |
| Pease, Hudson | 134 | 726 | 5.4 | 4 |
| Zecolla, Troy | 177* | 672 | 3.8 | 6 |
| Bob Bond, Hudson Falls | 148 | 578 | 3.9 | 4 |
| Pepe, Troy | 135 | 540 | 4.0 | 3 |
| Terry Gorton, Hudson Falls | 89 | 520 | 5.8 | 3 |
| Dave Byrd, Albany | 87 | 477 | 5.5 | 6 |

| Passing | Com | Att | Yds | TD | I |
|-------------------------|------|------|-------|----|----|
| Shawn Brady, Watertown | *226 | 100* | 1430* | 14 | 13 |
| Gorton, Hudson Falls | 169 | 68 | 940 | | 11 |
| Bob Bean, Johnstown | 111 | 60 | 878 | | 3* |
| Carrk, Troy | 136 | 59 | 789 | | 11 |
| E Montgomery, Albany | 143 | 55 | 767 | | 15 |

| Receiving | No | Yds | Ave | Td |
|---------------------------|-----|------|------|----|
| Joe Greco, Hudson Falls | 43* | 419 | 9.7 | 1 |
| Mike DeCarlo, Albany | 36 | 615* | 17.1 | 1 |
| Berdar, Troy | 33 | 504 | 15.3 | 8* |
| Virkler, Watertown | 28 | 429 | 15.3 | 6 |
| Norm Tysarizik, Watertown | 27 | 353 | 13.1 | 4 |
| Joe Greco, Johnstown | 23 | 363 | 15.8 | 2 |
| Bradwell, Albany | 22 | 366 | 16.6 | 1 |
| John Morgan, Watertown | 21 | 400 | 19.0 | 2 |
| John V'Diviak, Johnstown | 19 | 222 | 11.7 | 5 |

| Interceptions | | | |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-------|
| Steve Church, Albany | 11* | 89 | 8.1 |
| Mike Malatino, Johnstown | 8 | 61 | 7.6 |
| Mike DeGordzague, Albany | 7 | 49 | 7.0 |
| John Hopper, Troy | 6 | 58 | 9.7 |
| Howard, Albany | 6 | 57 | 9.5 |
| Mike Bonner, Oneonta | 5 | 92* | 18.4* |
| John Van Buren, Troy | 5 | 17 | 3.4 |
| Warder Steward, Johnstown | 5 | 13 | 2.6 |

| Kickoff Returns | | | |
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| Bonner, Oneonta | 13 | 356 | 27.3 |

| Punt Returns | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----|------|-------|
| Gary Weinlein, Albany | 12 | 386* | 32.1* |
| Bonner, Oneonta | 18* | 298 | 16.5 |
| tKevin Van Slyke, Johnstown | 17 | 210 | 12.3 |
| Scott Montgomery, Albany | 12 | 138 | 11.5 |

| Punting | No | Ave |
|--------------------------|-----|-------|
| Griffin, Albany | 30 | 35.9* |
| Pease, Hudson | 30 | 32.7 |
| Mann, Hudson Fallas | 40 | 32.6 |
| Adlmes, Johnstown | 22 | 32.1 |
| Serafin, Oneonta | 49* | 30.7 |
| Van Buren, Troy | 43 | 28.6 |
| Duane Darling, Watertown | 31 | 28.4 |

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| @Albany | 14 | 0 | 7 | 14 | - | 35 |
| Hudson | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 0 |
| A- Byrd 2 run | | | | | | (Halaufia) |
| A- Thomas 2 run | | | | | | (Halaufia) |
| A- Byrd 2 run | | | | | | (Halaufia) |
| A- Byrd 10 run | | | | | | (Halaufia) |
| A- Hamilton 7 run | | | | | | (Halaufia) |
| @Oneonta | 7 | 14 | 7 | 0 | - | 28 |
| Rotterdam | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | 6 |
| O- George 4 run | | | | | | (Coppotelli) |
| R- Porterfield 6 pass Wells | | | | | | (run NG) |
| O- McClain 6 pass Albert | | | | | | (Coppotelli) |
| O- Albert 2 run | | | | | | (Lechner) |
| O- Blanchard 4 run | | | | | | (Lechner) |

10/8

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| @Johnstown | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | - | 7 | SEMIFINAL PLAYOFF |
| Hudson Falls | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | - | 6 | |
| J- Ligon 14 pass Bean | | | | | | (Robinson) | |
| HF- Devizzio 62 interception return | | | | | | (Kick NG) | |