

FOOTBALL

Redskins' White hard to pin down

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Corney White says the shackles have been removed. He's free at last.

Free to pitch the ball, free to throw the ball, and most of all, free to run.

"This is so much more natural for me," said Neshaminy's senior quarterback, who spent half of last season catching passes instead of throwing them.

"I can pass on the run or I can run on the run."

Said Neshaminy coach John Chaump, "He's fun to watch because you never know what he's going to do next."

What White did Friday night was a little run and a little pass, as the Redskins (2-0) embarrassed Whitey Sullivan's Father Judge Crusaders (0-2), 27-6.

White completed 6 of 16 passes for 144 yards, 1 touchdown and 1 interception. He also rambled for 58 yards and 2 more touchdowns.

From Father Judge's perspective, it was difficult to decipher which was the worse enemy: White's running or White's passing?

"He's a pretty good player but he's not that good," said Sullivan. "He's the kind of kid who'll end up at Houston or somewhere as a cornerback. But he does move well."

Last year, it was Neshaminy's Rob Latronica who blew past defensive fronts. This year, it's White who ambles, dances and jittersbugs his way around would-be tacklers.

"I'm probably a little more dangerous as a runner," said the 6-foot White

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with a smile.

So why didn't Father Judge put a spy to shadow him?

"I think some clubs will probably try that," White said. "But as long as my offensive line picks up the blocks when I run, the spy won't get me."

Chaump says you can't shadow White.

"Our offense spreads the defense too thin to do that," he said. "We make you cover deep on the outside and respect the option. That puts six men on the perimeter and only leaves them with five inside."

It left Judge tacklers at a loss in this game.

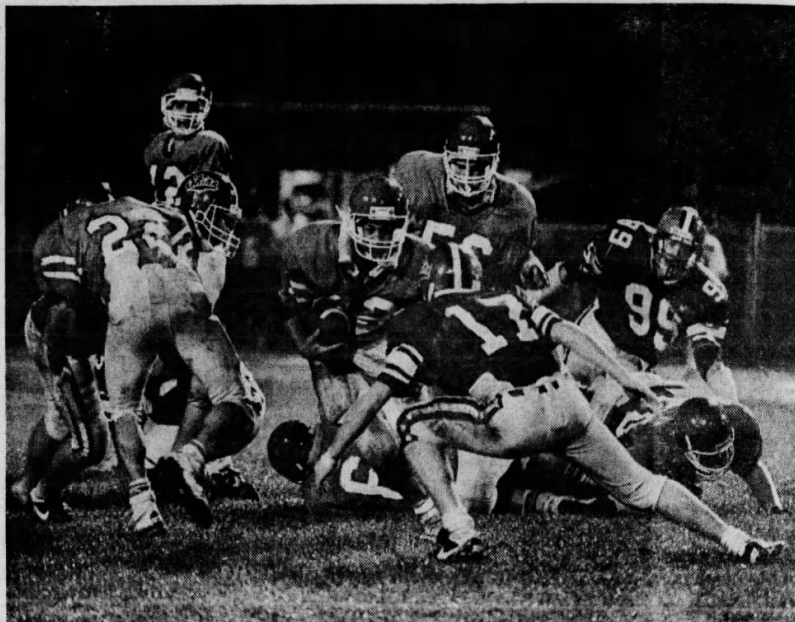
"Worst tackling I've ever seen," Sullivan said. "We tried to put a reasonable defense out there and didn't do it."

"These aren't football players. I don't know. It's the Taffy Generation from Mr. Rogers."

If Judge is taffy, then the Crusaders sure didn't stick to White or anyone else on the field. Neshaminy piled up 290 yards total offense.

Neshaminy's receivers averaged 24 yards a reception. Neal Plaskonos burned Judge's secondary with 3 catches for 79 yards. His first reception of 9 yards gave Neshaminy an early 7-0 lead.

When Sullivan speaks of tackling —



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Judge's Jacob Bonelli moves up the middle as Neshaminy's Bryan McGinty (17) lunges at him.

or the lack of it — he is referring to White's 22-yard scoring run in the first quarter as a perfect example.

White slipped, tripped and nearly fell three times on the rain-slickened field before he crossed the goal line.

It was 27-0 in the third quarter before Judge finally broke a scoreless string of six quarters on Jacob Bonelli's 1-yard run. Bonelli, a junior, carried the ball 16 times for 58 yards.

The other ray of sunshine for Father Judge was the performance of junior backup quarterback Joe Affet,

who started in place of injured Jerry Smink (twisted knee).

Affet completed 14 of 26 passes for 141 yards and also threw 1 interception. However, a barrage of penalties against the Crusaders — 9 for 95 yards — erased much of the gains.

The penalties, the tackling, and White's elusiveness on the field all worked against Father Judge Friday night.

Meanwhile, Neshaminy's defense under first-year coordinator Jim Weber has given up just 6 points in two

games. The Redskins are getting outstanding play from linebacker Chris Fahy, cornerback Doug Roskos and nose guard Brian Goss.

The meaningful games start this week as Judge begins Catholic League play and Neshaminy opens its Suburban One League schedule.

Father Judge	0	0	6	0	—	6
Neshaminy	14	6	7	0	—	27

N: Plaskonos 9 pass from White (Ritter kick)
 N: White 22 run (Ritter kick)
 N: McGinty 20 blocked punt return (kick failed)
 N: White 15 run (Stewart kick)
 F.J: Bonelli 1 run (pass failed)