

Welcome everyone! And don't touch that dial, because you are locked in to the ONLY station you need for Tennessee High School Football Action!, IT'S A FRIDAY NIGHT IN ROBERTSON COUNTY and you know what that means! Its WEEK 6 of High School Football in Tennessee, coming to you tonight from high above Bobcat Field, on the corner of Cuniff Dr and Parker Ave, located on the Campus of Greenbrier High School in Greenbrier, TN, the highest point between Louisville, Ky and Nashville Tennessee and we are ready to bring you all the action!

Thank you for joining us here tonight, I am your host Jim Sorrells alongside my Co-Host Kevin Criswell and WE are the Voice of the Bobcats, bringing you all that is Greenbrier High School Sports and Information. Be sure to follow along with us all year long and join the conversation on Twitter, X, Facebook, Instagram, Youtube...ANYTHING that uses the handle @VoiceOfCatsTN and the hashtag #GreenbrierFootball. Tonight's broadcast is #BrierBuilt and is brought to you in part by The Greenbrier Athletic Club, who for over 50 years has supported The Greenbrier Football Bobcats and of course, by YOU, our fans, family and friends, as none of this is possible without your support.

TONIGHT! IT'S THE OLDEST, LONGEST CONSECUTIVE RUNNING RIVALRY IN THE MIDSTATE! ITS GREENBRIER VS WHITE HOUSE! It's the 48th contest, all time (that's including the TSSAA Playoffs) between the Bobcats and that team from the east side of the county, as Kevin likes to put it, but before we talk about streaks and scores, lets roll back to Friday Night at Station Camp.

Bluntly, as well stated by David at Main Street Preps, The Bobcats let this one slip through their hands. As we broke at the half, The Cats found themselves with a 20-3 lead thanks in large part to quarterback Nolan Carson. The senior rushed for three touchdowns on 15 carries and 75 total yards in all, and even found himself with a defensive interception. He also completed 10/14 passes for 105 yards: 5 catches by Travaious Flood for 60 yards, 5 catches by Nate Castleman for 21 and Dalton Wilbur snagging 2 for 32 yards. Carson, missed the final minutes of the contest, that saw Travarious Flood take over at QB completed 2/8 passing and tallying 14 yards rushing.

Defensively, The Bobcats had some bright spots, including a stellar performance from Dre Thomas, 5 tackles, 3 assists, 2 sacks and one fumble recovery. Dalton Wilbur, Tyler Adams and Reese Jones all combined for 13 stops and 3 tackles for a loss. Castleman and Flood also recovered some fumbles and we mentioned Carson with the lone interception. Despite The Cats controlling almost every aspect of the game, the disparity came from not only the scoreboard, but penalties as well. Not going to dig too far into that negativity, in the end Greenbrier found themselves in a word, exhausted at the final whistle. Station Camp who was virtually shut out in the first half, stampeded back and amassed almost all of their 211 total yards of offense in the second half as they lined up in the smokestack and ran it straight ahead, drawing up 17-straight run plays to open the second half and 23 unanswered to take the victory home.

The loss certainly stung, but no time to dwell on the past as we look ahead to the team from the east, decked in blue...

White House currently sits at 4-1 on the season, after facing off with Region Foe Marshall County, last week. We talked about the Blue Devils last week, and about how dominant they have been defensively, only giving us 30 total points through 4 weeks. Last week, The Devils gave up 53 to the Tigers, losing 53-14. Defensively, one of their stalwarts has been Jaxon Roark, who led the way on for the Blue Devils on Friday with six tackles and two tackles for loss. Offensively, they have leaned on their smash-mouth rushing attack for the most part. Junior tailback Michael Albin has carried part of the load for the Blue Devils offense, finishing with the two offensive scores, as the junior rushed for 83 yards and two touchdowns. Maxpreps reports him with just over 340 through the reported games so far. Meanwhile, The Tennessean is reporting Adrian Bonilla is the number one, with 530 yards and seven scores on the year. Wide receiver Kenny Holt was also a factor in the run and pass game last week; the junior had two catches for 46 yards and three rushes for 35 yards. Quarterback Tanner Hayes has a tendency to make big plays off the play-action pass. Knowing what we know about how White House will handle their play calling, fully expect a run attack right at the heart of the Defensive Line. Defensively for the Devils, Dason Springer leads the team with 53 stops on the season.

This rivalry is a old one, one of the oldest in the state as a matter of fact.

When talking about historic rivalries in the State of Tennessee, on record The oldest rivalry in Tennessee period is McCallie and Baylor ,who first met in 1905. Called the "cross-river" rivalry because the two schools are separated by the Tennessee River, both schools typically use this game as their homecoming game, and it regularly attracts thousands of people.

A close second will come with McMinn County and Bradley Central. Another series, first played in 1916, these two teams have met every year since 1927, including twice in 1943 and in the playoffs in 2000 and 2012.

Next, we look at the State's "Longest Running Football Rivalry", between Rockwood and Harriman. First played in 1921, they have only missed one contest in 1923, otherwise not missing a beat, meeting every year since 1921, including twice in 1921, 1922, and 1924. The 2023 Season will mark the 105th time the teams have played.

There's also South Pitt and Marion County, who try to make their claim as such, but they have only met 46 times.

Finally, we have the longest running, consecutively played rivalry in the midstate, which is on tap tonight. Its the 81st meeting, RIGHT HERE tonight IN GREENBRIER!

Talking about White House, its hard to say anything about the rivalry without at least mentioning "The Streak". For those of you who are new to the area, the football program or just want a little refresher... The Streak refers to the years of 1982 - 2005, where for 23 straight years, White House came out on top with a victory. As a kid growing up this program, it was something that many saw as "expected". EVERY. SINGLE. YEAR, you could set your calendar by it: Death. Taxes. White House defeats Greenbrier. Since that time, however, only 3 additional

victories for The Bobcats to this point, with most of them coming at home at The Brier Patch. All time, The Devils lead the series 53-27 with the last Cat win coming in 2016 and the last win here at The Brier Patch in 2015. LAST YEAR Greenbrier put up a fight to the bitter end, on a thursday night loss to The Devils 20-16. Last Year, White House finished up at 6-5 with a first round exit in the playoffs, courtesy of East Nashville

Folks, you are listening to the Week 6 Preview as The Cats are taking on The Devils in a big Region matchup. Stick around as kickoff is just around the corner, but until then, you are listening to pregame on a loop. We will be right back with more action!

This week on the Tennessee Waltz, we're dancing all around the volunteer state. Here are some of the big stories this week across the TSSAA, first with some in season rule changes...

Nashville area high school football games being stopped by referees to remove players for not wearing uniforms and all equipment properly could NOW result in head coaches being ejected by at least one football referee association.

A letter hand delivered to some Middle Tennessee football coaches by referees prior to their Friday night games announced how the rule would be enforced.

That letter, which came from the Middle Tennessee association, stated that after a referee removes three members of a team for required player equipment missing or worn improperly, each subsequent player removed for that reason will receive an unsportsmanlike conduct foul, which will be assessed to the head coach.

Multiple players sent out of the game at the same time each count toward the three players. If a head coach receives a second unsportsmanlike conduct foul the coach is ejected.

The head coach is responsible for verifying to officials prior to the game that all players are properly equipped and in compliance with all legal equipment.

TSSAA assistant director Richard McWhirter said the letter given to coaches was not sent by the TSSAA office. It had a TSSAA logo and stated: "This is effective immediately as directed by Richard McWhirter." McWhirter confirmed to The Tennessean on Saturday that he spoke to Middle Tennessee association assigner Junior Ward regarding an influx of game stoppages due

to uniforms and equipment being worn incorrectly. It was decided that the unsportsmanlike foul could be administered. He told Ward that referees are permitted to give an unsportsmanlike conduct foul after the first offense, but McWhirter, who oversees the NFHS football rules committee, asked that officials to not immediately do so, but use it as a warning initially.

AROUND THE VOLUNTEER STATE - and the midseason lookout for Mr. Football, a couple names keep popping up:

Tripp Pinion

White County

The senior quarterback has rushed for 1,003 yards and 15 touchdowns to go with 437 yards passing, four touchdowns and no interceptions. Those are huge numbers through five games.

Joshua Sims

Pearl-Cohn

The cornerback is making a huge impact at his position for the Class 4A title contender Firebirds. He has three interceptions, three forced fumbles and 24 tackles, including a tackle for loss. He has also blocked a punt.

Coach of the Year? Very well could be

Tony Brunetti

Pearl-Cohn

It's no surprise that the Firebirds are 5-0 and ranked No. 1 in the Class 4A poll. The reason it's not a surprise is the coaching job Brunetti does year-in and year-out, including the way his squad has played in the first half, outscoring their opponents 193-47, including wins over DII powers CPA and MBA.

Lower Classes, East getting some love still with the recognition of Isaiah Groves East Robertson. The junior running back has rushed for 1,068 yards and 12 touchdowns in five games. 186 yards and three touchdowns in a 49-12 victory against Jo Byrns last week. He also added an offer from Missouri the last Saturday. East Robertson has outscored its opponents 229-65 through the first 6 weeks. Then it's a family affair with Elijah Groves - While Groves is a target on the offensive

end, the Kentucky football commit has been impressive as, at outside linebacker With 36 tackles, two forced fumbles and three interceptions.

POLLIN' THIS WEEK

The Tennessean's Super 25 saw three new teams crack in with East Nashville, Franklin Road Academy and Powell lining down the bottom. Two of those three in #25 East Nashville and #23 FRA will be playing each other tonight in non region action. It's one of three games featuring both teams ranked statewide. Top-ranked Baylor hosts No. 22 Brentwood Academy. And No. 18 Memphis University School plays at No. 12 Ensworth. These considerations are tops of the tops regardless of classification.

Your Top 5 for this week, unchanged once again

1. Baylor
2. McCallie
3. Oakland
4. Pearl Cohn out of our Region 5-4A.
5. Alcoa

Main Street Preps had some movent at the bottom as well. We talked about the Independence Eagles a week or so back talking about them playing 3 consecutive overtime games, needing those extra periods to beat Page and Franklin, before a big win over Beech. They are debuting at number 16 this week, while Montgomery Bell Academy picked up their first win of the season to drop down #2 in Father Ryan, they fell to #10 this week.

Your Top 5

1. Pearl Cohn
2. Jumping two spots is CPA
3. Brentwood
4. Oakland, up one spot.
5. Lipscomb Academy up one spot as well.

The AP This week, had it like this:

IN 6A, unchanged across the Top with Bradley Central, Oakland, Brentwood, Germantown and Mt. Juliet. Oakland the only team with a loss on that list.

In 5A, Knoxville West with top honors again, Centennial, Henry County, Nolensville and Southwind, who is at 5-0 for the first time in school history. Some chatter about it being unwarranted, but were gonna see how this shakes out for The Jaguars. Hendersonville also cracks the poll at No. 10 this week.

In 3A, Alcoa on top again with 16 first place votes. Unchanged this week with East Nashville, Dyersburg, Meigs County and Gatlinburg Pittman rounding out the top 5. Heritage still down and not out, they got a few votes of consideration this week.

In 2A, flip flopping at one and two with Milan taking the top spot with 5 first place votes, and close on their heels is Riverside with still 9 first place votes, their lone loss was in Week 1 and have blown out their opponents since... interesting with that flop around. East Robertson still hanging out in 3rd place with a couple first place votes. York and Marion County unchanged at 4 and 5.

In 1A, same at last week: South Pitt, Dresden, Coalfield, Moore County, McKenzie.

D2 this week: Friendship Christian, Franklin Road ACademy, McCallie taking the top spots.

For Class 4A

Tyler Palmateer at The Tennessean wants you to know that Upperman deserves its No. 1 votes in Class 4A

There's an argument to be made for Pearl-Cohn to be No. 1 in Class 4A, but Upperman probably deserves a top vote and received three this week.

The Bees (5-0) have solid wins against Lebanon, Macon County and White County. Upperman quarterback Bronzden Chaffin and Ethan Palk could realistically both rush for 1,000 yards this season, which is big for postseason play. Palk has 442 yards rushing and three touchdowns, while Chaffin has 344 yards and three TDs also. Here is what the landscape of Class 4A looks like this week:

School (first-place votes)	Record	Points	Previous
1. Pearl-Cohn (12)	5-0	153	1 R5
2. Upperman (3)	5-0	125	2 R4
3. Elizabethton (1)	4-0	118	3 R1
4. Hardin County	5-0	109	5 R6

5. Greeneville 2-1-1 or is it 3-0?

Two games called for lightning, has The Devils slipping down further to 5 this week. R1

6. Haywood County 4-1 59 7 R7

7. Red Bank 4-1 47 9 R3

8. Stone Memorial 4-1 44 6 R4

9. Macon County 4-1 35 10 R4

10. Marshall County 4-1 31 NR R5

Crockett County 20. R7

Anderson County 11. R2

Gibbs 9. R2

Obion County 8. R7

Loudon 3. R3

Around The County -

East Robertson Indians put to the test again at (5-0), they are taking on the Owls of Smith County Owls at (4-1) in big Region 3-2A showdown. This one is the MYTV30 Game of the Week tonight, so we will be keeping an eye on that one.

White House Heritage at (3-2) is at Sycamore War Eagles who is (0-5). Despite success, Heritage is winless on the road this season.

Springfield Yellow Jackets (2-3) at Portland Panthers (1-4) in Region 7-5A battle between two teams that could really use a win.

Jo Byrns Red Devils (1-4) are hosting the Cheatham County Cubs (1-4) o Byrns has faced three talented teams in Whitwell, Gordonsville and East Robertson, losing by a combined score of 119-26.

This week, the Red Devils will return to Cedar Hill to face the Cubs on homecoming.

Around The Region tonight,

Creek Wood is on the road in out of region action at Fairview.

Marshall County is also out of region tonight, hosting Fayetteville.

Montgomery Central is on the road at Whites Creek

Pearl Cohn and The Firebirds have yet to be derailed, blasting Montgomery Central 61-0 last week. They were led by Zeion Simpson who rushed for 114 yards and a touchdown they are on the road at Station Camp.

This week's Brier Beat:

- Shouts to The Greenbrier High School Marching Bobcats, who placed second in their division at their competition at Hendersonville last weekend!
- Jostens spoke with the juniors about class rings on Thursday. Juniors can place their order online or at school on 9/28 during lunch.
- More than 50 universities, colleges and businesses will present post-secondary opportunities to high school juniors and seniors at the College and Career Fair on Wednesday, Sept. 20, at The Center in Springfield. Military recruiters will also be presenting their respective branches of service. Colleges will be giving out free gear and many businesses are looking to hire both early and spring grads immediately upon graduation. This event is come and go, lasting from 5:00 - 7:00pm. More info:

<https://www.rcstn.net>

Nathan and Carter are moving on to the Region Tournament. The Greenbrier Golf duo took home medals in this weeks District Tourney and qualified for the Region Tournament next Wednesday @ Indian Hills in Murfreesboro!

[#GreenbrierCrossCountry](#) took home the Championship Trophy in the Robertson County Cross Country Championships, and Sr. Will Keefer was named Robertson County Runner of the Year!

Greenbrier Volleyball notched their fourth District 11-AA win of the season in their home sweep of Whites Creek on Tuesday, Sept. 14. Offensively, seniors Abby Stacey and Kendall Peterson helped lead the Bobcats offense. Greenbrier currently sits in fourth place in the District 11-AA standings, trailing Liberty Creek, White House Heritage and White House.

Lady Cat Soccer had one game last thursday that was postponed and rescheduled for MOnday, taking on Station Camp. They had a pair of contests this week, with a loss to White House on Tuesday and Senior Night happening at press time, Thursday. We will try to pass that along when we get information.

At the half Friday Night we will be introducing and recognizing two new coaches at Greenbrier this fall: Coach Will Kapke for Baseball and Coach Jay Spurlock for Basketball. We will also be having the mini showstoppers perform Friday Night, so if you havent picked up your tickets, do so now!

That has been your Tennessee Waltz for this week, stay tuned for all the latest!