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## Mustang seniors dismantle Bishop Reding

*Regular-season finale a complete blowout*

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*The Champion*

Milton District's senior football team had nothing to play for except local bragging rights during its regular season finale at Bishop Reding Friday.

But that proved to be a huge incentive, as the Mustangs ran roughshod over their cross-town rivals — scoring before the game was a minute old and stampeding their way to a 41-0 annihilation.

Fueled by a four-touchdown explosion by workhorse Todd Arruda, MD delivered its most convincing win in recent memory and handily improved to 3-3.

The Mustangs had already secured a tier two playoff berth but weren't quite in a position to grab home-field advantage for the opening round prior to Friday.

Things actually could have been worse for the host Royals, who were mercifully given running time in the fourth quarter to cut the embarrassment short.

"We just got wiped entirely today," said BR coach Joe Jurus, whose team limped into the last post-season spot on a five-game losing skid. "I don't know what went wrong."

BR had won its previous two encounters with the Mustangs — in 1997 and 1999 — but were thoroughly manhandled from start to finish Friday.

Andrew Pepper's offensive unit was unable to post a first down through the entire opening half, while his defensive cohorts were frequently exploited by a trio of visitors — most notably Arruda.

The first-year senior scored four unanswered majors — including one after recovering his own punt on a chaotic third-

quarter play — in his most memorable afternoon on the gridiron.

"I just loved it," said the regular-season ending standout.

While Arruda was the key trigger man, teammates Tim Anderson and Lee Frittenburg factored heavily into MD's arsenal as well.

With fresh-from-injury Brandon Byers used only sparingly, they both stepped things up to help the Mustangs mount a commanding lead in the first half.

Frittenburg had a couple of highlight reel runs early to set up touchdowns, while Anderson scored the first major and gained countless yardage on the sweep.

Remarked Mustangs skipper Keith Pearce, "Having Lee (Frittenburg) in the back field was a big plus. Overall it was wonderful tune-up for the playoffs. It certainly exceeded our expectations."

Jordan Gunter ran in the last TD, while making good on all but one of his extra-point kicks was Taylor Coulombe.

Defensively, MD forced at least half-a-dozen turnovers — including a fumble recovery as well as interceptions by James McIntosh and Mark Periera — and gave up less than 80 yards all day.

BR's only legitimate shot at scoring came in the dying minutes on two lengthy passes by Pepper to Rory Johnston. Luke Antonelli had a few bright spots on defense, though not many — as the score would indicate.

MD will now face Oakville Trafalgar Friday afternoon in Oakville while the 1-5 Royals — who claimed the eighth and final playoff spot by virtue of their 7-4 home-opening victory against White Oaks — will battle top-seated Q.E. Park Friday in Oakville.

Both games begin at 2 p.m.

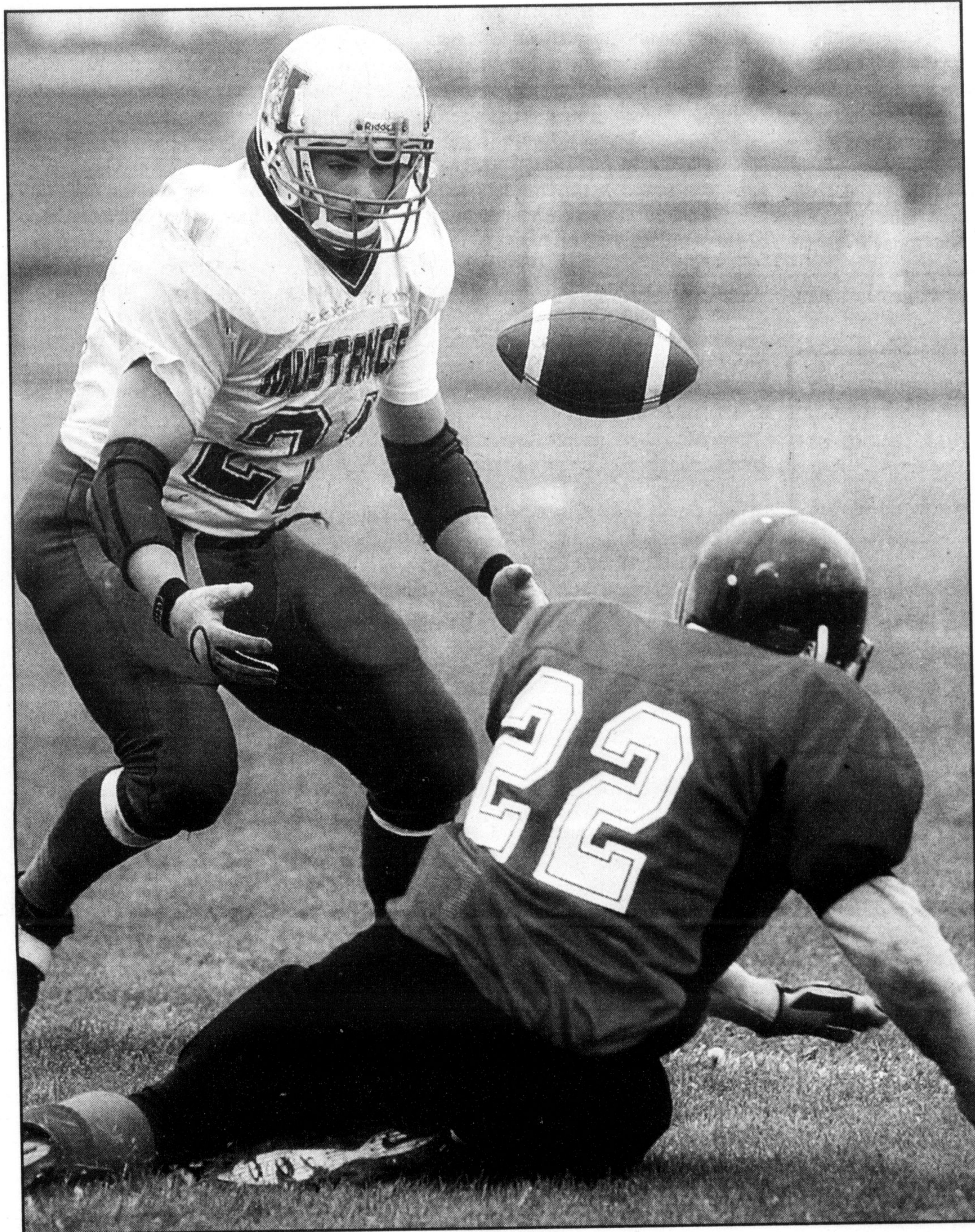


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Milton District Mustangs Lee Frittenburg eyes a suspended football as Bishop Reding counterpart Kevin Hines is grounded while (inset) Mustang ball carrier Tim Anderson tries to break away from a BR opponent during senior gridiron play at Reding Friday. MD won 41-0.



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