



Chito Vasquez, left, and Austin Moore make a tackle during the game Friday.

Nick Duarte runs with the ball on a 36-yard reception that helped set up a score.

## Raiders Beat Tidehaven 42-27 With Fourth Quarter Explosion

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of Rice with one quarter in the books.

Rice pushed the ball to the 49 on their next possession, but was unable to penetrate any further and had to punt.

The Raider defense again forced a three and out and Austin Moore blocked the Tiger punt, but a 5-yard facemask on the Raiders after the punter picked the ball up and tried to run gave Tidehaven a chance to re-kick.

The next attempt was success-

ful, but Rice again had great field position at the Tiger 49.

The Raiders were again not able to capitalize, and were forced to punt after just three plays.

The Tigers took over at the 15, and a holding call on second down pushed them back to the nine.

However, on third down, a 24-yard pass play gave them new life with a first down at the 39.

A great open field tackle for no gain by Damian Stevens on third and four forced Tidehaven into a

punting situation once again.

Rice took over at the 26, but a fumbled handoff on the first play gave the Tigers the ball at the Raider 19.

On the first play, the Tigers connected a 19-yard pass for the touchdown, but a holding penalty brought it back.

Stevenson picked off his second pass of the night on the very next play.

The Raiders again pushed the ball near midfield, but turned the

ball over on downs after going for it on fourth and five with just under a minute left in the half.

The Tigers completed two quick passes for 20 and 23 yards to set up first and goal at the nine with just 18 ticks left before half. Tidehaven used their last time out after this play.

A run on first down got eight of the nine yards, but the Raiders kept the halfback out of the end zone.

A quarterback sneak on the

next play was stuffed by the Raider defense again, and after a strange clock stoppage by the referee, Tidehaven spiked the ball to stop the clock with one second left, making it fourth down.

The Rice defense for a last time stood their ground and kept the quarterback out of the end zone to preserve the tenuous 7-6 lead heading into the intermission.

Rice got the ball to start the second half, but was again unable

to move the ball and were forced to punt.

The Rice defense came up huge again on the next Tiger series when Tanner Williams picked up a fumble and raced to the end zone for a Raider score.

Samaniego made the point after for a 14-6 Rice lead with 9:22 left in the third.

The Tiger offense came to life and utilized screen passes to

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