



The Regina Thunder opened the 2010 regular season this past Sunday in Edmonton against the defending league champion Wildcats. The game was a tough, and at times chippy contest that saw the Thunder earn an impressive 32 to 14 victory.

The Thunder looked good in all three aspects of the game. Offence, defence and special teams.

Regina's passing attack was lead by Reid Quest who completed 21 of 29 attempts for 304 yards and 3 touchdowns. Jay Smith led all receivers with 8 catches for 111 yards followed closely by Kolten Solomon who had 4 catches for 95 yards and 2 touchdowns. Mark Coons had a good afternoon running the football, gaining 102 yards on 21 carries backed by a strong performance from the Thunder offensive line.

The defence was tenacious all afternoon. Holding the Wildcats offence to just 3 first downs and 68 total yards in the first half, and only 225 yards for the game. They were lead by linebackers Max Amyotte who had 5 tackles and a sack and Tyler Hogan who added 6 tackles of his own. Defensive backs Joey Todd with 5 tackles and Cody Johnstone with 2 tackles and an interception had strong games as well.

The system put in by Special Team's coach Scott MacAulay is paying dividends already. The Thunder had 133 kickoff return yards including a 105 yard touchdown run by Kolten Solomon, as well as 65 punt return yards. All while limiting the opposition's returns on the afternoon.

The Thunders next action is their home opener Sunday August 29/10, 1:00 pm at Mosaic Stadium.

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