

# H.S. football: Lacey blanks Toms River South

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TOMS RIVER - Lacey delivered a parting gift to former division rival Toms River South, with two touchdown runs by junior quarterback Coleton Klaus and a pair of fumble recoveries by sophomore linebacker Greg Chadwick sparking a 17-0 victory for the Lions on Saturday night.

Lacey this season in an enrollment-based Shore Conference realignment is in Class B South after spending several years in big-school A South with the likes of Toms River South. The Lions are coming off a pair of 3-7 seasons.

The season opener went well on almost all fronts for Lacey against their old rivals. Senior defensive end Matt Milden also recovered a fumble in a three-takeaway night for the Lions' defense, which did not allow a first down in the first half.

Meanwhile, the insertion of Klaus at quarterback looked smooth. He completed seven of 10 passes for 89 yards, with one pass picked off by Connor Guzzi.

Klaus took over because of a switch of last year's signal-caller Chase Stephensen to his natural position of wide receiver, and Klaus scored his first touchdown on a one-year sneak that made the score 10-0 with 5:59 left in the second quarter.

## Story Highlights

- QB Coleton Klaus completed 7 of 10 passes for 89 yards and scored on two runs
- Senior defensive end Matt Milden recovered a fumble in a three-takeaway night for the Lions' defense, which did not allow a first down in the first half.
- Lacey never looked back after a 21-yard field goal by Justin Frazee opened the scoring with 6:37 left in the first quarter.