

# Uribe leads Dons' attack over DP

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Santa Barbara quarterback John Uribe said it wasn't one of his best nights throwing the football.

The Dos Pueblos Chargers would probably disagree with the rifle-arm senior's assessment of his play.

Uribe passed for 395 yards and a pair of touchdowns in leading the Dons to a 29-17 victory in the Channel League opener at Valley Stadium on Friday night.

While it wasn't the monster performance he had two weeks ago when he threw for a county-record 581 yards, Uribe was still efficient in running the Dons' spread attack. He completed 33-of-51 passes with two interceptions. His favorite targets were Bryson Lloyd with 14 catches for 145 yards and Roberto Nelson with 8 receptions for 141 yards.

"Tonight wasn't the best night for me, but people stepped up," Uribe said. "The line blocked really, really well and we got a couple of good runs from Kyle Leonard and Buster Perez.

"It was the worst game, by far, for me this year, but we got the W."

That was huge for the Dons (2-4, 1-0), who lost a couple of games in the fourth quarter during a 1-4 non-league campaign.

"Our intensity and focus in the second half was there," Uribe said. "(Playing DP is) a big rivalry game. We knew we had to be there. Our defense stepped up really, really well tonight, and that's how we got the W."

The Dons' W was still in doubt until late in the fourth quarter. Dos Pueblos (2-4, 0-1) pulled to within 22-17 with 5:10 remaining when quarterback Zach Boytis ran eight yards for a touchdown to cap a 70-yard drive. Boytis completed three passes on the drive, including a 20-yarder to Tyler McGaughey. The Chargers' drive also was aided by two Santa Barbara penalties.

Dos Pueblos tried an onside kick on the ensuing kickoff, but Santa Barbara's Jesse Lucatero fielded the ball cleanly, putting the Dons in business at the DP 49.

DP's defense dug in and had the Dons facing a third-and-5 at the 44.

"Their defense was really, really good. They're well disciplined," Uribe said of the Chargers. "But our offensive line stepped up and just gave me the time I needed and I just made the throws, and put we put points on the board."

"Bryson is the all-time pass catcher at Santa Barbara High and it shows," he added. "He's been doing it since his sophomore year, and we're going to go to him. If you take him away, we're going to go to Roberto."

Dos Pueblos coach Jeff Uyesaka said his team didn't make enough big plays to pull out a victory. He noted the team did meet one of its goals of holding Santa Barbara under its 30-plus points average.

Santa Barbara, with its high-octane, passing game operating at full-bore, marched down the field on its first possession. Uribe completed six passes, the last one on the drive a seven-yarder to Lloyd for the touchdown. The PAT failed.

Dos Pueblos countered with a long drive on its first possession. Behind the passing of Boytis and the running of Dane Limosnero, the Chargers reached the Santa Barbara 27. The Dons' defense stiffened, leaving DP with a 44-yard field goal attempt that fell short.

Santa Barbara was on the move again. Uribe ran for 12 yards on first down, but came out of the game with a leg injury. The team didn't miss a beat, though, as Nelson took over and ran 18-yards on his first snap. Uribe returned and guided the Dons to the DP 18. On second down, he passed to RJ Bisquera in the end zone. Bisquera dove for the ball and had it in his hands but the ball popped in the air as he fell to the ground and DP's Branden Tangle caught it and raced 51 yards to the Dons' 49.

On first down, Boytis lofted a pass to Limosnero in the right flat and the speedy running back raced 49 yards for a touchdown. Tangle booted the PAT to give DP a 7-6 lead with 20 seconds left in the first quarter.

"You've got to have a short-term memory and you go to the next play," said Gonzales about the crazy turn of events. "That kind of stuff can drive you nuts."

Santa Barbara's offense regrouped and put the pedal to the metal again. Uribe hit Bisquera for 48 yards and Lloyd for 10 to put the ball at the DP 12. The Dons got three more yards before Chase Chandler came on and booted a 26-yard field goal for a 9-7 lead.

"You just have to stay the course because there are so many highs and lows (in a football game)," Gonzales said. "You think you have it sealed and it's not. You just have to roll with the punches."



SANTA BARBARA 29, DOS PUEBLOS 17  
 Santa Barbara... 6 10 6 7 — 29  
 Dos Pueblos... 7 0 3 7 — 17  
 First quarter  
 SB — Lloyd 7 pass from Uribe (kick failed), 8:49  
 DP — Limosnero 49 pass form Boytis (Eccles kick) :20  
 Second quarter  
 SB — FG Chandler 26, 10:42  
 SB — Uribe 1 run (Chandler kick), 3:34  
 Third quarter  
 SB—Nelson 35 pass from Uribe (kick failed), 4:37  
 DP — FG Tangle 32, 2:18  
 Fourth quarter  
 DP — Boytis 8 run (Eccles kick), 5:10  
 SB — Nelson 18 pass from Uribe (Chandler kick), 1:07

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS  
 RUSHING—SB: Leonard 9-22, Uribe 6-23, Lucatero 3-15, Nelson 2-12, Mark Perez 2-6, Maldonado 3-15.  
 DP: Limosnero 5-32, Houston 9-30, Boytis 3-16, Parsons 3-8  
 PASSING — SB: Uribe 33-51-2, 395. Nelson 0-1-0, 0. DP: Boytis 13-24-1, 174  
 RECEIVING — SB: Lloyd 14-145, Nelson 8-141, Bisquera 3-73, Leonard 5-29, Maldonado 1-23. DP  
 McGaughey 3-47, Tangle 4-33, Parsons 2-8, Limosnero 1-49, Arroyo 1-17, Brown 1-10, Eccles 1-10