

Huskys finish spring season this weekend

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NORTH PORT — The North Port Huskys will finish their 2014 spring youth football season Saturday with home games at the George Mullen Center against the Copeland Park Saints from Tampa.

There will be four games: The tiny mites will play at 9:30 a.m.,

the mighty mites play at 10:30 a.m., the junior varsity game is at noon and the varsity game is at 1:30 p.m.

The Huskys varsity team raised its record to 5-0 last Saturday with a 26-14 victory over the visiting Manatee Bulls. The Bulls took an early 14-0 lead, but the Huskys regrouped and tied the score 14-14 at halftime.

They added 12 more points in the second half to take the victory.

"They (the Bulls) were the best team we've played this season," Huskys varsity coach Sean Hill said. "They were as big and as fast as we are. We came back well."

Octavius Cummings scored three touchdowns and Courtney Stewart added one for the Huskys.

Keegan Andrews and Javon Howell were Husky standouts on defense, both getting many tackles.

"This (the spring season) has helped us a lot," Hill said. "It should make it easier for us to get ready for the fall season."

The JV Huskys, however, fell to the Bulls 13-6.

The varsity Huskys have a good nucleus returning for the fall season. Of the

33 players on the spring squad, about three-quarters played on the Youth Football League championship team in 2013 that finished with a 12-3 record.

Fall practice sessions begin July 1. The Huskys have no weight restrictions.

Preregistration has already begun for the fall 2014 season at the back field of the Mullen Center.

Cost is \$135 for football and \$85 for cheerleading. Youths who preregister can also get free quick-dry shirts and shorts.

Regular registration for the 2014 fall season begins June 1 at the back field. It will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. The fee is \$165 for football and \$115 for cheerleading.