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Logan Bischoff (16) and Gage Crowel (72) close in on Cody-Kilgore quarterback Austin Wobig.

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Wauneta-Palisade ran roughshod over visiting Cody-Kilgore Friday night, rolling to a 43-8 win in its first six-man football game.

After holding Cody-Kilgore to three and out on its first possession, the Broncos showed that a change to first-and-15 in six-man wouldn't be a problem. Jack McGraw took the ball 12 yards on the season's first carry. On the Broncos' second play Connor Kayton took the pitch from quarterback Jacob Maris and ran 36 yards down the near sideline for a touchdown.

After a missed field goal from the Cody-Kilgore 14-yard line on its second possession, Wauneta-Palisade held Cody-Kilgore to another fourth down. On the first play of its third possession Kayton broke loose again for a 50-yard touchdown to make it 16-0 with 26.8 seconds left in the first quarter.

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The Cowboys failed to move the ball on two possessions sandwiched around a Kayton interception. The Broncos scored one more time before half on a 30-yard Kayton run.

Coming out from halftime with a 22-0 lead Wauneta-Palisade didn't give the Cowboys a chance to get back into the game.

After a 24-yard reception by Wes Anderjaska moved the ball to midfield on the first play of the second half, Kayton took another pitch and was gone for another touchdown, this one for 39 yards.

On its second possession the offense scored on its first play on a 59-yard Kayton pass to Logan Bischoff.

A 43-yard McGraw run raised the score to 43-0 before a 69-yard touchdown run by Cody-Kilgore's Chance Vakiner with 2:21 left made the final score 43-8.

The Bronco defense forced three and outs on two of five Cowboy possessions in the second half, only giving up one first down. The Broncos also recovered a Cowboy fumble.

The Broncos will face a tougher test at Minatare Friday night. Minatare lost to Sioux County 52-13 last Friday. The Indians feature junior Bradley Metcalf a returning all state end who had 1,200 rushing yards and 1,100 receiving yards in 2011.