



WITT-BIRN CONTINUES WINNING WAYS

Chargers' volleyball team makes
quick work of Amherst

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Wittenberg-Birnbaumwood's Reese Rogowski tips the ball during a CWC-East win over Amherst on Oct. 4 in Wittenberg.

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HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Witt-Birn cruises past Amherst

Chargers take control early, rarely let off

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

A Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division volleyball match between Wittenberg-Birnamwood and Amherst looked to be a good one on paper.

Witt-Birn had other plans though, controlling the match right from the start and rolling to a 25-16, 25-15, 25-16 victory on Oct. 4 in Wittenberg.

The Chargers were guided by the powerful lefty-swinging London Metropulos, who delivered the kill after kill. But it wasn't just a one-player show, as Reese Rogowski, Payton Foster and Layla Huffman also provided big kills. Foster and Lilly Betry set the attackers up all night, while Allison Linke and Kiara Deruchowski joined in to provide great coverage on defense.

In other words, Witt-Birn dominated as a team.

"It felt really good," said Metropulos. "We were kind of nervous for this game because we had two more games that we got to play our best at. I think our communication was super good tonight and that helped, it was a little quieter too, so that helped so we could all hear each other. That really pulled us through to the end, communicating the whole way through and calling out plays."

"We talked a lot. We kind of just took control of the game from the beginning," said Foster. "We were hustling and moving for every ball."

Metropulos delivered several kills early on to help the Chargers jump out to a comfortable lead. Huffman added a couple kills to stretch the lead to 12-7.

Witt-Birn took complete control with a 7-0 run as Rogowski served. Metropulos added a couple more kills on the run and several other points came on Amherst attack errors.

Metropulos continued to rack up the points for the Chargers before ending the set with another kill.

"I've been focusing on placing a lot more and just getting that top spin right down so it just drops real quick," said Metropulos on what helped her to a big night.

Amherst won the first point in set two for a rare lead, but Witt-Birn stormed back with six unanswered points, with Betry serving four aces on the run. Rogowski later delivered a kill to help the Chargers go up 9-3.

Amherst chipped away at the deficit, but kills from Foster, Huffman and Rogowski got the hosts back on track. The visiting Falcons later got within two before Metropulos had two kills to restore order.

Metropulos had two more kills, with Melaina Granquist and Foster following with a kill each to make it a 21-13 Witt-Birn lead. The Chargers ended the set on a 4-0 spurt, with a Foster tip finishing it off.

"We have been playing really good recently," said Foster. "At practice, we're just practicing hard and making sure we keep improving on what we're working on."

Set three was a bit of a struggle early on for Witt-Birn, as the team fell behind 5-1. The Chargers responded with a 5-0 run behind more strong serving from Betry.

The hosts looked to be in control with Rogowski serving and after a couple Metropulos kills made it 16-12, but Amherst rattled off the next few points to tie it up.

After a timeout, Witt-Birn scored nine unanswered points to finish off the match. Betry served four more aces and Metropulos added a few more kills to her stat line to help the hosts finish things off.

With the win, the Chargers won at least a share of the CWC-East title. Witt-Birn can win the conference outright with a win at Weyauwega-Fremont on Oct. 11. Results from that match will appear in the Oct. 21 paper, but can be found online at www.newmedia-wi.com before that.



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's London Metropulos receives the ball during a conference victory over Amherst on Oct. 4 in Wittenberg.

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HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Shawano scores big Bay win over Seymour

Hawks' freshman Nordin helps team win on senior night

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Shawano Community High School volleyball team earned a big Bay Conference win over Seymour on Oct. 6 in Shawano.

The Hawks won by scores of 25-18, 18-25, 25-19, 25-18 on their senior night. The team honored Megan Dillenburg and Alix Heath by winning against Seymour for the first time since the duo were freshmen.

"It really means a lot," said Dillenburg of the win. "We knew they were going to be a tough team. We really came out and played as a team — we played really good together. It just means a lot to win on senior night."

While the night was about the seniors, Shawano freshman Leah Nordin stole part of the spotlight after racking up kill after kill. She said the team was deploying a 5-1 rotation for the first time, and singled out the passing of Heath, the team's primary setter.

"I'm going to be setting my middles a lot more because they are definitely some of the best hitters we have on our team," said Heath of the new rotation. "Even if we have a double block (to go against), no matter what they always get a kill and know where to place the ball. We definitely had good passes and good hits. All together, pass, set, hit, it was a good game."

Shawano jumped out to an early lead in set one before Seymour eventually tied it at six. A kill from Amelia Klement followed by some strong serves and aces from Coral Cook helped the Hawks go up 11-6.

The teams battled back and forth over the next several points, with kills from Dillenburg and Cook keeping Shawano ahead before Nordin and Cook had kills to push the lead to six, 18-12. The Hawks extended the lead to nine as Cook served before finishing off the set.

Set two began fine for Shawano, with Cook, Nordin, Ellie Huebner and Abby Bystol recording kills, but Seymour used a 9-0 run to take



Shawano's Alix Heath, right, sets the ball as teammate Megan Dillenburg looks on during a Bay Conference victory over Seymour on Oct. 6 in Shawano.

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control. The Hawks continued to fight and got back into the match

after four straight Seymour errors as Dillenburg was serving.

Cook and Nordin delivered kills — with Nordin tallying three straight — to get Shawano back within three, 20-17. Just when it looked like Shawano may pull off the big comeback in the set, Seymour won five of the final six points to even the match up.

Set three started slow for Shawano, with the team down 6-2, but a kill from Nordin capped a 5-0 Hawks' run and gave the hosts the lead. The back-and-forth battle continued with Seymour pulling ahead, only to have Shawano go on another 5-0 run as Cook served and Nordin delivered multiple kills.

Shawano didn't relinquish the lead from that point, with Bystol heating up with several kills, Dillenburg adding a couple kills and Sam Richter serving an ace to make it a 19-13 lead. Seymour got within three points late, but kills from Cook, Nordin and Bystol helped wrap up the set.

"It was just overall a really good night," said Nordin. "We had a lot of good digs, a lot of good hits, a lot of good tips, we had really good coverage, especially on blocking."

Bystol and Nordin posted a couple kills early on in set four to help the Hawks out to an early lead. Later, a block by Nordin and kill from Coral made it 10-4 and led to an early Seymour timeout.

Shawano didn't let up after the short break in action and soon led 15-5. Nordin and Dillenburg had kills on the 5-0 run, with Cook again providing strong serving.

Seymour got within five, 18-13, but strong serves from Bystol pushed the lead back to eight and forced Seymour to burn its last timeout. The visitors snuck back within five again, but three kills from Nordin set up a match-sealing kill from Dillenburg.

"Don't stop pushing," said Dillenburg on what the team can take away from the big conference win. "Even though we lost that second set, we came back strong in the third set and won in the fourth set. It's not over until it's over."

Shawano has one final conference match remaining, as the team will head to Xavier (undefeated in conference) on Oct. 11. The Hawks then have the conference tournament on Oct. 15 in Green Bay before the postseason starts up.

ATHLETE PROFILE: LILLY BETRY

Witt-Birn senior a part of team's sustained success

Finishing atop the Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division has become a regular occurrence for the Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School volleyball team over the past few seasons. Senior Lilly Betry has helped the team during its sustained run, and she is enjoying a big senior season for the Chargers this fall.

Betry landed on the CWC-East second team as a junior after helping the Chargers win their third straight conference title.

In trying to help Witt-Birn to a fourth consecutive title, Betry has helped the team in several facets of the game this fall.

Betry has made the biggest impact as a server, as she leads the team in total serves (350), aces (72) and service points (199). She's second on the team in assists (298). The senior has also chipped in 32 kills and 128 digs.

Q: When did your interest in volleyball begin?

A: My interest began in fourth grade when I started playing club with two of my close friends.

Q: What is your favorite part about the volleyball season?

A: My favorite part of the season would be going to tournaments like the Dells and Stevens Point because there is always great competition that gets us ready for our regular season, and it is fun to all hang out as a team after.

Q: As the regular season winds down and playoffs near, what does the team need to do well to keep winning matches?

A: We all just need to understand that it is OK to make a mistake and understand that we all have each other's backs, no matter what happens in the game.

Q: You've been a part of the program's successful conference run over the past few seasons. What has it been like competing for conference championships every year?



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Lilly Betry prepares to serve the ball during a conference match against Amherst on Oct. 4 in Wittenberg. MORGAN RODE | NEW MEDIA

A: It is a great feeling to always be competing for the conference championship. We have that standard for our team, which pushes us to play our best in those games to get one step closer to that goal every year.

Q: What's been the key to success for the team to be that successful over the past several years?

A: I think something that makes a huge difference for success in our team would be how many girls work hard during the offseason, so that by the time the season starts we can compete at a higher level right away.

Q: As a senior, how do you try to lead the rest of the team?

A: I try to keep everyone positive when the game is not going the way we would like it to go.

Q: What do you enjoy doing the most on the court and why?

A: My favorite thing to do in the court would be celebrating after one of the hitters gets a kill off of one of my sets. It is a great feeling.

Q: Before a match starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: We usually listen to music in the locker room to get us excited and ready to play. We also talk about who we are facing that night and what we can do to try and stop them.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Wittenberg-Birnamwood volleyball team?

A: My favorite memory would have to be the bus ride after winning the regional final game my junior year. Everyone was excited that we won, and everyone was just having a good time.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show,

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Lilly Betry
Sport: Volleyball
Position: Setter
School: Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School
Year: Senior

and musical artist?

A: Movie — "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days." TV show — "Outer Banks." Musical artist — Mac Miller.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: When I have free time, I like to read.

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating high school?

A: After high school, I plan on attending college. I am not quite sure where yet, but I plan on going for legal studies and political science.

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ATHLETE PROFILE: MITCH KALLIES

Panther senior lineman one of the best around

The Oconto Falls High School football program has 11 playoff appearances in program history, with two of those coming the last two seasons. The Panthers are just a win away from clinching a playoff spot again this fall. Senior Mitch Kallies has helped the squad become a playoff-caliber team, and along the way he has become one of the best linemen in the area.

Kallies really burst onto the scene in his junior season after being named to Offensive Co-Lineman of the Year in the Northwoods Conference. He was also a first-team selection on the defensive line that season.

He also was named to a Wisconsin Football Coaches Association all-region team as a junior.

Kallies has continued to provide strong blocking as an offensive lineman as a senior, while also getting after the quarterback and ball carrier from his spot on the defensive line.

He and the Panthers will try and clinch a third straight postseason berth by knocking off Crivitz on Oct. 14 in Crivitz.

Q: When did your interest in football begin?

A: I really started to like football in sixth grade.

Q: What is your favorite part about the football season?

A: After every Thursday practice, we all go and eat team dinner and hang out.

Q: What has the game of football taught you over the years?

A: You have to work together to do what you need to do. If one person doesn't do their job, we can't accomplish what we want.

Q: In your opinion, how do you become a good lineman?

A: You have to do footwork every day. If you don't have good feet, you are not a good lineman. You have to know your technique.

Q: What's helped you become



Oconto Falls' Mitch Kallies, left, blocks during the team's nonconference game against Marshfield on Sept. 2 in Marshfield.

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the standout lineman you've become?

A: I would have friends that were older and stronger than me that would push me every single play every day for two years. I would put in the work every offseason as well.

Q: With the season winding down, what are the team's keys to picking up more wins and going on a postseason run?

A: No one on the team wants the season to be over, so it's all or nothing. We have to have the mentality and the will to want to keep playing.

Q: As a senior, how do you help lead the rest of the team?

A: I push my teammates to their limit every day, like the (previous)

seniors did to me. I make them work every play to make them better.

Q: Before a game starts, do you or the team have any routines or rituals you go through?

A: While we are in the locker room, we thank everyone we need to give thanks to.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Oconto Falls football team?

A: My sophomore year we were on kickoff, and the returner got through all of the kickoff other than our kicker. He ended up hanging on to the guy's jersey while he was getting dragged, and he saved us from the touchdown.

Q: Favorite movie, TV show and musical artist?

AT A GLANCE

Athlete: Mitch Kallies

Sport: Football

Positions: Offensive line, defensive line

School: Oconto Falls High School

Year: Senior

A: Movie — "Lord of the Rings." TV show — "American Pickers." Musical artist — Three Days Grace.

Q: Name one thing about yourself that not many people know.

A: I look intimidating at first, but I'm a hugger.

Q: What are some things you hope to accomplish after graduating high school?

A: Being able to play football in college and finish college.



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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Bonduel trounces Peshtigo on homecoming night

Bears clinch playoff spot

By MORGAN RODE
Sports Editor

The Bonduel High School football team clinched a playoff spot with a lopsided 48-0 win over Peshtigo in a Packerland Conference clash on Oct. 7 in Bonduel.

The Bears scored five touchdowns in the first half, had several takeaways and cruised to a homecoming win from there.

"It's great, it's very special," said Bonduel senior Louis Hrabik of the win. "Not only did we clinch a playoff spot, but it was on our homecoming in front of all our home fans. The atmosphere was just great."

Peshtigo started the game with the ball and picked up one of its lone first downs of the contest after a double pass on the first play. Bonduel's defense stiffened after that, getting the ball on a turnover on downs four plays later.

After a false start moved the ball back to the Bears' 26-yard line, junior quarterback Noah Weier found senior Gaven Vance wide open down the middle of the field for a 74-yard touchdown.

"We knew coming in that they were gonna be in cover 3, so I just had to pick whichever one was open of the two," said Weier. "That's just good gameplanning by coaches. Good route by Gaven. I didn't have to do much for that to be a touchdown. When you can get those easy ones to start, it makes the rest of the game a lot easier."

"I got to give a big shoutout to my offensive line. If it wasn't for them, me or Louis, or any of our running backs wouldn't have anything to do," said Vance. "All I got to say is, the offensive line gave Noah plenty of time on the first throw and he led me right to a touchdown."

The ensuing kickoff bounced down to the Peshtigo 1, and then after the Bulldogs scooped up the ball, fumbled it over to Bonduel. After two plays, Vance scored on an 8-yard run.

Bonduel's defense forced a punt on the ensuing drive, with Bears' senior Josiah Basten returning the punt all the way to the Peshtigo 23.

A pass from Weier to sophomore Cade Johnson got the ball to the 4-yard line, and then Vance powered in for



Bonduel's Owen Springborn falls on top of a fumble during a conference win over Peshtigo on Oct. 7 in Bonduel.

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Bonduel's Gaven Vance, right, throws a block during the team's homecoming game against Peshtigo on Oct. 7 in Bonduel.

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his third touchdown on three touches.

Bonduel's offense finally faltered on its next possession, but on the punt, Peshtigo fumbled it right back to the Bears.

Hrabik capped the ensuing drive with a 13-yard run to make it 28-0.

The team's final score of opening half came with 31 seconds left when Weier hit Johnson on a 15-yard passing play.

Bonduel got the ball back late in the half after another Peshtigo fumble, but

missed a long field goal after taking a couple shots at the end zone.

It didn't take long in the second half for the Bears to score again and reach the 35-point threshold to start the running clock. Hrabik capped a five-play drive with a 6-yard rushing score.

"Just about everything was working (offensively)," said Hrabik. "Big shoutout to our offensive line and Noah. We were just firing on all cylinders. The plays coach was calling were just working."

Bonduel forced and recovered another Peshtigo fumble on the next drive, which set up the team's final touchdown.

Even with some backups in, Bonduel's offense worked right down the field before Tyson Bogacz powered in from 3 yards out.

The final highlight of the night was another Bonduel takeaway, with Owen Springborn intercepting a pass. He also recovered the last Peshtigo fumble.

Bonduel heads into the final week of the regular season with a conference record of 4-2. The Bears host Oconto (1-5) at 7 p.m. on Oct. 14.

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First quarter

B: Gaven Vance 74-yard pass from Noah Weier (kick missed), 9:31

B: Vance 8-yard run (Colin Fischer pass from Weier), 8:47

B: Vance 4-yard run (Louis Hrabik kick), 6:46

Second quarter

B: Hrabik 13-yard run (Hrabik kick), 10:29

B: Cade Johnson 15-yard pass from Weier (kick missed), 0:31

Third quarter

B: Hrabik 6-yard run (Hrabik kick), 9:18

B: Tyson Bogacz 3-yard run (Ryan Westrich kick), 4:40

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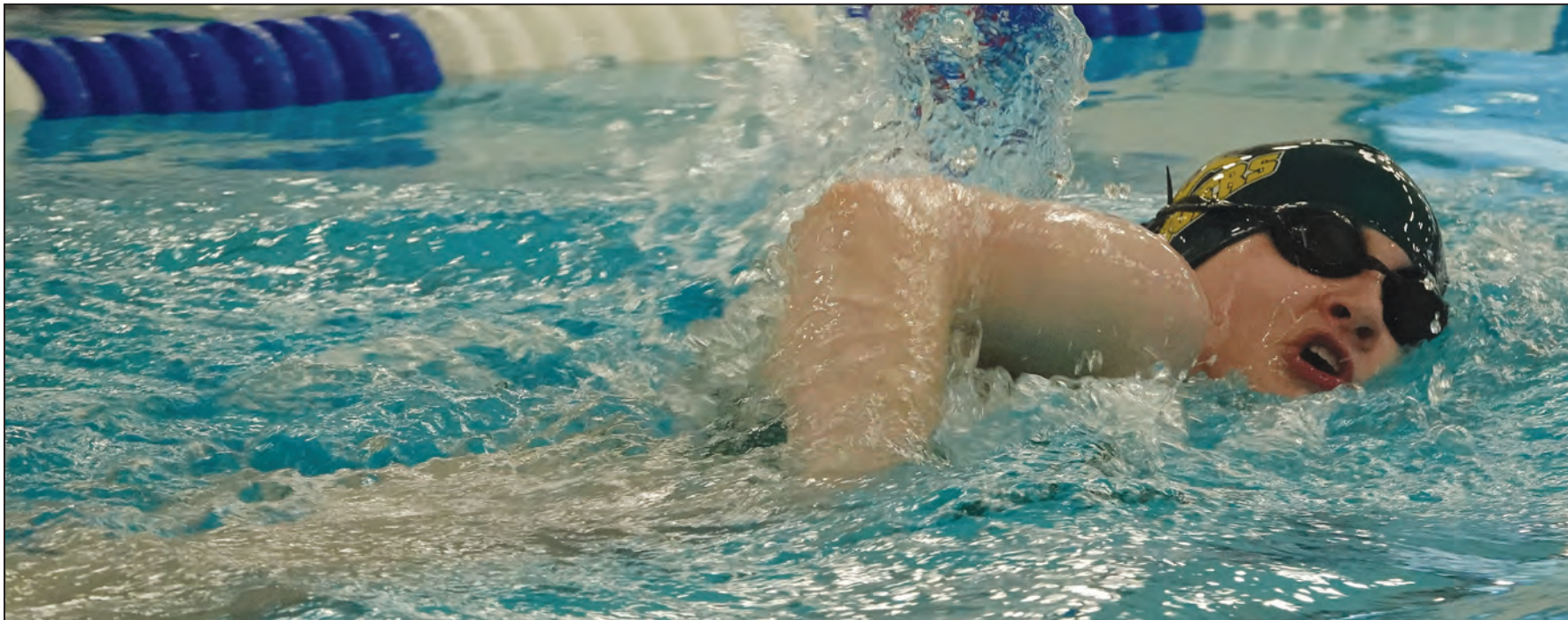
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HIGH SCHOOL SWIM



Wittenberg-Birnamwood's Jessica Storlie swims the 500-yard freestyle during the team's Bay Conference dual win over Shawano/Bonduel on Oct. 4 in Wittenberg.

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Witt-Birn knocks off Shawano/Bonduel

Chargers win all but 1 event

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

The Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School girls swim team took first in 10 of 11 events to take down Shawano/Bonduel 97-59 in a Bay Conference dual on Oct. 4 in Wittenberg.

Jessica Storlie, Annika Resch and Reese Dickman all won two individual events to lead Witt-Birn. Faith Resch also won an individual event, with the team's other three top finishes coming in relays.

"I think it's really gonna help me and my team. It's going to boost our confidence a lot because we were finally able to finish first," said Dickman of the win, referencing how the Chargers usually go up against teams much larger in size and struggle to win duals.

The night began with Witt-Birn's 200-yard medley relay team placing first in 2 minutes, 12.49 seconds. The team was comprised of Storlie, Dickman, Andrea Powell and Claire Timm.

Storlie then won the 200 freestyle in 2:31.88.

"I was really proud of myself tonight," said Storlie. "I came in not expecting a whole lot, especially in



Shawano/Bonduel's Autumn Bunker swims the 100 butterfly during a conference dual against Wittenberg-Birnamwood on Oct. 4 in Wittenberg.

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the 200 — that's not really an event I usually do, so the fact that I finished first place was pretty amazing."

Powell was second in the 200 freestyle with a time of 2:37.5.

Annika Resch then placed first in the 200 IM, with her time of 2:39.78 comfortably ahead of Tela Hofensberger. The Shawano/Bonduel swimmer had a mark of 2:52.06.

Next, Dickman won the 50 freestyle in 26.25 seconds, edging teammate Faith Resch's 26.29. Olivia Bessette was the third-place finisher in 28.44.

After a short break, action resumed with the 100 butterfly. Shawano/Bonduel's Autumn Bunker earned the team's lone top finish of

the evening after posting a time of 1:21.1, ahead of Witt-Birn's Powell (1:24.06).

Bunker, who said she's competing in the 100 butterfly for the first time officially as a senior, believes the top finish will be a confidence booster going forward.

"It was really good to see myself ahead of everyone, especially in past meets with the larger teams, with more advanced everything. I can't wait to go forward from here," said Bunker.

Faith Resch got the Chargers right back to their winning ways by posting a time of 58.69 seconds to comfortably win the 100 freestyle.

Storlie then won the 500 freestyle

in 6:42.46, a minute-plus faster than either of the other two swimmers in the event.

The senior believed her top finish earlier in the night led to her dominant showing in the 500 free.

"I think that really helped me push myself in the 500 too. I felt more confident, I felt like I could go faster than I usually do," said Storlie. "It was a good feeling."

The night continued with the Witt-Birn 200 freestyle relay team of Faith Resch, Annika Resch, Bessette and Ava Hegewald placing first in 1:54.4.

Shawano had two relay teams in the event, with the quartet of Piper Novitski, Lila Melchoir, Hofensberger and Alli Brown coming in second in 2:10.18.

Annika Resch then claimed the 100 backstroke in 1:12.22, just ahead of Bessette, who had a time of 1:14.99. Shawano's Brown was third in 1:17.73.

Dickman then won her second event, taking the 100 breaststroke with a mark of 1:13.29. Hegewald was second in 1:29.25.

In the final event, Storlie, Bessette, Timm and Faith Resch teamed up for the top finish in the 400 freestyle relay, with a time of 4:29.28. The Witt-Birn team of Powell, Annika Resch, Hegewald and Dickman was second in 4:40.35.

HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Pulaski's No. 1 doubles team make state

Shawano's Ainsworth ends year at sectional

By MORGAN RODE
Sports Editor

The Pulaski High School No. 1 doubles tennis duo of Madeline Diefenthaler and Ruth Krause will compete at state after earning a spot as special qualifiers.

The duo thought their season was over after a 6-1, 6-1 loss at the Bay Port Sectional on Oct. 5 in Green Bay; however, they got word a couple days later that they'd be competing at state after all.

"Being able to make it to state as a senior is so exciting," said Diefenthaler. "To get this far has been a dream of mine since I made varsity freshman year. After putting our all into sectionals and unfortunately not making it further, I couldn't believe that my high school tennis season was over like that. Learning we made it to state as special qualifiers was very unexpected but amazing.

"I couldn't be happier and I can't wait to continue practicing to show Madison what we're made of," she continued. "After all of the hard work Ruth and I put in together this season, I know we are both grateful to continue playing together for a little longer."

Qualifying for state was even more unbelievable for Krause, a freshman.

"As a freshman, I was just thrilled to be on varsity and play with Maddy," said Krause. "I really have to thank my coaches and the whole team for encouraging us throughout the whole season. I would not be here without Maddy's senior leadership and confidence.

"It is really turning out to be a cool experience as I am trying to soak it all in. Maddy has worked very hard all four years, and I am so excited that it's all paying off for her."

The duo is seeded No. 43 and will open up the state individual championship on Oct. 13 by taking on Greendale's Natasa Pupovac and Katarina Zrnica, who are seeded 14th

in the doubles bracket.

Diefenthaler and Krause enter state with a 15-9 mark, while the Greendale duo is undefeated at 12-0.

"I think the goal Ruth and I have heading into state is just to play our own game. We are lucky to get the opportunity to play there, so we will put everything we've got into showing that we belong to be there," said Diefenthaler. "Our coaches always like to say: 'We've got nothing to lose and everything to gain.' I think as we go to Madison, we'll be using that and trying our best no matter what."

"Personally, my goal is to represent Pulaski and Pulaski tennis," said Krause. "Playing my best and having a blast in Madison. As my coaches say: 'Winning and losing will take care of itself.'"

Diefenthaler and Krause advanced to sectionals after a 6-1, 6-2 win at the Notre Dame Subsectional on Oct. 3 in Green Bay.

In other subsectional results for Pulaski, Kylie Coel lost 6-2, 6-0 in her first No. 1 singles match. Isabella Skalecki, the team's No. 2 singles player, fell 7-5, 6-2 in her opening match.

Ayla Groteluschen fell 6-1, 6-0 in her opening No. 3 singles match, while Treva Robaidek lost 6-1, 6-1 in her only No. 4 singles match.

Sarah Johnson and Josie Steeno earned a 6-1, 6-0 win at No. 2 doubles play before being eliminated after a 6-1, 6-0 loss in their second match.

Mikalah Due and Hailey Jansen dropped a 6-4, 6-3 match in No. 3 doubles action.

Shawano

Jenna Ainsworth represented Shawano at the Bay Port Sectional. Her season and high school career came to a close after a 6-0, 6-0 loss.

She advanced to sectionals after a 6-2, 6-0 win at subsectionals.

"Qualifying for sectionals was something I never thought I would experience in my high school career," said Ainsworth. "Our D1 subsectional is packed with highly competitive teams.

"During the season, I played well enough to get the No. 4 seed, which allowed me to play Pulaski, who I beat previously in the season. I played a great match and I really

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feel like I earned my spot, especially after a mid-season slump. It made all my hard work these four years worth it."

She called making sectionals "an experience I will never forget, and always cherish" and something that was a perfect ending to her high school career.

The senior recalled playing junior varsity as a freshman before working her way into the team's No. 1 singles player.

"I have felt growth in my playing all four years, but these tangible accomplishments make it real to me how far I've come," said Ainsworth. "It was a wonderful experience to watch other competitors, too. I got to finish out my senior season with my amazing coach and one of my teammates watching many great

ONLINE

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matches."

In other Shawano results from the subsectional, Adison Moesch earned a 6-1, 4-6, 11-9 win in her first No. 2 singles match before being eliminated after a 6-2, 6-0 loss. Sarah Carroll lost her lone No. 3 singles match 6-4, 6-3.

At No. 4 singles play, Ireland Setterman won 6-0, 6-1 in her first match before being eliminated after a 6-2, 6-1 loss.

Anna Etten and Samantha Martzke lost their lone match at No. 1 doubles by scores of 6-1, 6-2. Rachael Cooper and Natalee Jung lost 6-1, 6-0 in their No. 2 doubles match.

Ava Huntington and Ariana Albert lost 7-5, 6-1 in their No. 3 doubles match.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Oconto Falls suffers overtime loss to Crandon

Loss on senior night puts season in sudden death

By **LUKE REIMER**
Reporter

A 30-22 overtime loss against the Crandon Cardinals on Oct. 7 puts the Oconto Falls Panthers football team into sudden death to keep its season alive.

After Oconto Falls built a 22-14 lead with just under eight minutes left, Crandon came back, scoring the last 16 points to win. Now sitting at 4-5 on the season, the Panthers need to win their next matchup against Crivitz to keep their season alive and qualify for a playoff spot.

"This is my 15th year coaching and being in the playoffs, you do what you do and you are who you are in week nine," said Oconto Falls head coach Nick Bohl, on preparing for the last game of the year. "Your preparation and routine stays the same. You are not going to do anything crazy because it is now playoffs."

Running was the name of the game for both teams, as Crandon racked up 319 yards on the ground, led by Mason Mullins' 122-yard performance. Oconto Falls senior Braden Vandermoss led the Panthers with 81 rushing yards on seven attempts. Fellow senior Skylar Dalton added another 67 rushing yards on 21 attempts. In total, Oconto Falls recorded 261 yards on the ground.

The Panthers' defense started hot as they held Crandon to just eight plays on the first drive, ending with a stop on fourth-and-two.

From there, Oconto Falls took over at its own 43-yard line. Twenty-six rushing yards from Dalton and 17 receiving yards from senior Kody Vorpahl set up a fourth-and-goal from the 8-yard line. The Cardinals' defense stepped up and sacked Oconto Falls quarterback Carter Hill on a pass attempt, turning the ball over.

Oconto Falls then almost immediately regained possession, as Crandon fumbled at its own 26-yard line.

Dalton set up a a third-and-short



Oconto Falls running back Alex Haines makes a block on a sweep run during the Panthers' overtime loss to the Cardinals on Oct. 7.
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with two straight rushes for eight yards to end the first quarter. A false start set the Panthers back, before Hill was once again sacked in the red zone and after an incomplete pass on fourth down, the Cardinals took back over at it's own 29.

The Panthers defense held the Cardinals to a punt, where after a bobbled snap, Oconto Falls was called for roughing the punter, giving Crandon 15 yards and a first down. From there, the Cardinals methodically worked their way down the field, with Caden Palubicki carrying the load, totaling 27 rushing yards. Tight end Kaleb Samz opened the scoring with a 5-yard receiving touchdown from quarterback Logan Gretzinger.

Oconto Falls immediately responded with a scoring drive, starting with a 20-yard rush from sophomore Wyatt Laughrin. Four plays later on third-and-12, Hill hit Vorpahl for a 26-yard gain to set up a first-and-goal from the 5-yard line.

Vandermoss punched in a 5-yard touchdown on the next play. Adding a 2-point conversion run from Dalton

put the Panthers up two with a just over a minute left in the first half. Crandon quickly struck back, going 81 yards in 1:06, finishing with a Palubicki 3-yard rushing touchdown.

Opening the second half down 14-8, Oconto Falls first drive consisted of nine straight rushes, with a 26-yard rush from Vandermoss being the highlight. Dalton ultimately capped the drive with a 4-yard rushing touchdown, followed by a Laughrin 2-point conversion.

Up 16-14, the Panthers forced a turnover on downs on the Crandon's 9-yard line. After an offsides against Crandon, Vandermoss ripped off a 60-yard rush, before Dalton fumbled on the very next play, giving the ball back to the Cardinals on their own 37-yard line. On the second play of the drive, Gretzinger was intercepted by sophomore Cole Bozile.

"Our defense has played well all year," said Bohl on the defense's performance. "Tonight, I thought that our first quarter in a half — we were stout. I don't know if it was the roughing the punter, but all of

a sudden it gave Crandon life and they kind of starting taking it to us in the second half."

Oconto Falls once again built a strong drive, using its run game. A 19-yard rush from Dalton helped to set up a 4-yard rushing touchdown from Vandermoss.

Down 22-14, Crandon scored a 6-yard rushing touchdown from Palubicki. A converted 2-point attempt from Palubicki tied the game with just over five minutes remaining.

Oconto Falls' subsequent drive ended with a turnover on downs on Crandon's 40-yard line. As Crandon was driving, Bozile once again intercepted Gretzinger, giving the ball back to Oconto Falls with 37 seconds left. A turnover on downs, followed by time expiring on Crandon's drive, sent the game to overtime.

Starting at the 25-yard line, Crandon worked inside of the 15-yard line, before Cole Shepherd ran in a 14-yard touchdown, adding a 2-point conversion. Oconto Falls was unable to respond, as two sacks led to a fourth-and-12, where Hill was intercepted to end the game.

"I thought that we did a better job of limiting our mistakes, but we just made one more mistake than the other team," said Bohl, on his initial thoughts after the game. "That cost us."

Bohl said cutting down on mistakes needs to be a point of emphasis for the Panthers if they want to keep their season alive.

"We were so much better than we have played in a couple of a weeks," said Bohl. "I was proud of the way we played. We just have to cut down the mistakes and we are going to be just fine."

Crandon 0 14 0 8 8 — 30
Oconto Falls 0 8 8 6 0 — 22

Second quarter

C: Kaleb Samz 5-yard pass from Logan Gretzinger (run failed), 4:02

OF: Braden Vandermoss 5-yard run (Dalton run), 0:29

C: Caden Palubicki 3-yard run (Jaxson Keepers run), 0:15

Third quarter

OF: Skylar Dalton 4-yard run (Wyatt Laughrin run), 7:43

Fourth quarter

OF: Vandermoss 4-yard run (run failed) 7:46

C: Palubicki 6-yard run (Palubicki run) 5:07

Overtime

C: Cole Shepherd 14-yard run (Shepherd run)

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HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

No area individuals qualify for state

Pulaski, Oconto Falls take 6th as teams, with Shawano and Bonduel 7th

By **MORGAN RODE**
Sports Editor

No area high school girls golfers were able to qualify for state despite some strong rounds being posted at sectionals on Oct. 4.

Pulaski and Shawano each competed in the Kimberly Sectional at High Cliff Golf Course in Sherwood. The Red Raiders placed sixth with a score of 365, with the Hawks in seventh with a mark of 373.

Bay Port (344) and Kaukauna (350) placed first and second as teams to advance to state. The three individual state qualifiers posted rounds of 73, 81 and 82.

Oconto Falls and Bonduel each competed in the Catholic Memorial Sectional at Broadlands Golf Club in North Prairie. The Panthers took sixth

with a score of 404, with the Bears taking seventh with a mark of 428.

The Prairie School (354) and Wrightstown (356) qualified for state as teams. The individual qualifiers had scores of 79, 80 and 80.

Pulaski

Summer Jaeger and Vivien Ninham led Pulaski at sectionals with rounds of 86. They tied for 10th place.

Jaeger turned in a score of 42 on the front nine before a 44 on the back nine. Ninham had a score of 45 through nine holes and then needed just 41 shots on the back nine.

Ella Ficarra tallied a round of 92 to tie for 25th place. She fired a 48 on the front nine and 44 on the back nine.

Danika Holewinski and Magdalen Jandric filled out the five-golfer team, posting rounds of 101 and 109, respectively.

Holewinski needed 50 shots to get through the front nine and 51 to get through the final nine. Jandric was at 59 shots through nine holes before tallying a 50 on the back nine.

Shawano

Shawano's top-two finishers on the

day also had rounds of 86, with Braylyn Babino and Tegan Kristof posting those scores.

After a 47 on the back nine, Babino needed only 39 shots to get through the back nine. Kristof was at 40 shots through nine holes before a 46 on the back nine.

Sophia Eggert tallied a round of 91 to tie for 22nd place. Eggert bounced back from a 50 on the front nine by needing only 41 shots on the back nine.

Riley Dreier and Alli Johnson filled out the Hawks' lineup, with rounds of 110 and 135, respectively.

Dreier used 62 shots on the front nine and 48 on the back nine. Johnson was at 65 shots through nine holes before a 70 on the final nine.

Oconto Falls

Kate Pytleski and Kloeigh Seidl led Oconto Falls at the sectional with rounds of 95 and 97, respectively. Pytleski tied for 13th, while Seidl tied for 18th.

Pytleski fired a team-leading 45 on the front nine and 50 on the back nine. Seidl was at 51 shots through nine holes before a team-leading 46 on the back nine.

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Full sectional results can be found at www.wiaawi.org/sports/fall/girls-golf/tournament.

Taylor Miller shot a round of 105 for the Panthers, with a 54 on the front nine and 51 on the back nine.

Kenadee Seidl was the next finisher with a round of 107. She shot 54 times on the front nine and 53 on the back nine.

Lexi Nelson rounded out the five-golfer team with a round of 120. She needed 62 shots on the front nine and 58 on the back nine.

Bonduel

Sarah Garside led Bonduel on the day, taking 11th overall with a round of 92.

Garside had the best team scores on the front nine (43) and back nine (49).

Kerry O'Harrow and Thea Tauchen posted rounds of 106 and 107, respectively. Both shot 53 times on the front nine, with O'Harrow at a 53 and Tauchen a 54 on the back nine.

Raina Dworniczak was final individual on the four-golfer team. She fired a round of 123, with a 66 on the front nine and 57 on the back nine.

HIGH SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY

Witt-Birn's Salvessen wins another invitational

By **NEW MEDIA STAFF**

Wittenberg-Birnamwood High School's Rory Salvessen continued her impressive freshman season by winning the Weyauwega-Fremont Warhawk Invitational on Oct. 6 in Weyauwega.

The Bonduel girls team won the team title after scoring 72 points, just a single point ahead of Weyauwega-Fremont.

The Menominee Indian boys team placed fourth for the top area boys team finish.

Wittenberg-Birnamwood

Salvessen posted a time of 20 minutes, 2 seconds to win the girls race. She was nine seconds ahead of any other runner.

The next Witt-Birn girl to cross the finish line was Jayden Zeinert, who placed 44th in 24:27. Danica Tomson (25:28) claimed 52nd, An-

nika Resch (27:03) took 63rd and Amelia Bessert (30:06) was 66th to cap the team score.

The Witt-Birn girls placed ninth with 204 points. The boys team was seventh with a mark of 181.

Craig Wendel led the boys team with a 28th-place finish in 19:43. Mason Meverden claimed 33rd in 20:00.

Ian Salvessen finished 38th in 20:15, while Jonas Bushman placed 41st in 20:21. Hayden Miller capped the team score with a 51st-place finish in 21:07.

Bonduel

The Bonduel girls team grabbed first behind top-10 individual finishes from Teagan Engel (20:46), Mariah Wondra (20:46) and Ashlyn Kurey (21:07). Engel placed seventh, with Wondra in eighth and Kurey in 10th.

Kendra Troxel placed 19th for the girls in 21:49. Cierra Schnell capped the team score with a 32nd-place

finish in 22:35.

The Bonduel boys team placed fifth with 133 points.

Ben O'Brien (17:34) and Race Anvelink (18:24) paced the boys team and placed fourth and 10th, respectively.

Ayden Dunst claimed 17th in 19:12. Ben Reisner finished 49th in 21:06, while Griffin Uelmen capped the team score with a 60th-place finish in 21:23.

Menominee Indian

The Menominee Indian boys were led on the night by Barron Waupoose, who posted a time of 19:02 to place 14th.

Isaiah Moss claimed 24th in 19:32, while Lloyd Reeves (19:46) and Francis Delabrau (19:48) grabbed 29th and 30th, respectively. Maech Corn (20:43) capped the team score, taking 43rd in 20:43.

Two Menominee Indian girls

ONLINE

Full results from the invitational can be found at www.performancetiming.com.

ran in the invitational, with Urijah Reeves leading the way with a 22nd-place finish in 22:05. Mariah Fish (24:56) placed 48th.

Gresham/Bowler

Three Gresham/Bowler boys participated in the invitational, with Bryson Nelson earning a 19th-place finish in 19:14.

Kevin Miller (23:22) and Kobe Miller (24:57) also competed, taking 73rd and 78th, respectively.

Marion

Just two Marion runners competed in the race, with one boy and one girl in action.

Bridget Much claimed 62nd in the girls race in 26:47. Tristan Herro placed 69th in 22:38.

COLLEGE HIGHLIGHTS

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

Concordia-St. Paul

Pulaski High School graduate Andrew Egnarski tallied 19 total tackles in the Concordia-St. Paul football team's loss to Bemidji State on Oct. 8.

Thirteen of the tackles were solo ones, with six being assisted. He was also credited with a ½ tackle for loss.



ANDREW EGNARSKI

UW-Green Bay

Wittenberg-Birnamwood grad McKenna Metropulos enjoyed a big day while swimming for the UW-Green Bay women's team during a dual loss to St. Thomas on Oct. 7.

Metropulos won the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 53.75 seconds and the 50 freestyle in 24.4 seconds.

She was also on the first-place finishing 200 medley relay team that had a time of 1:50.67 and the second-place finishing 200 freestyle relay team that posted a mark of 1:40.71.

Carroll University

Pulaski graduate Jake Binkowski recorded three total tackles in

the Carroll football team's loss to North Central on Oct. 8.

Binkowski now has 24 total tackles on the season.

UW-La Crosse

Pulaski grad Maggie Hernandez helped the UW-La Crosse women's soccer team to two wins last week.

She was credited with an assist in a 6-0 win over UW-River Falls on Oct. 5. She also took one shot.

Hernandez played 47 minutes in the team's 2-0 win over UW-Eau Claire on Oct. 8.

Grand Canyon University

Witt-Birn grad Wyatt Dickman had a busy couple days competing for the Grand Canyon University men's swim team during the Colorado Mesa Intermountain Shootout on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1.

Dickman finished fourth in the 100 IM with a time of 52.85 seconds. He was seventh in the 100 breaststroke (57.44) and sixth in the 50 breaststroke (26.35).

Dickman also placed ninth in the 200 breaststroke (2:09.46) and 25th in the 200 IM (2:01.85). He was on the seventh-place finishing 200 medley relay team that had a time of 1:33.8.

UW-Stevens Point

Oconto Falls grad Joe Adams placed 80th while running for the UW-Stevens Point men's cross-

country team at the Gene Davis Invitational on Oct. 8.

Adams completed the course in 29:05.

Minnesota State University Moorhead

Pulaski graduate Jocelin Feutz played one set in the Minnesota State University Moorhead volleyball team's loss Northern State on Oct. 4.

Feutz was credited with one block assist.

Northland College

Marion grad Isaiah Gueths placed 38th while golfing for the Northland College men's team during the UMAC Golf Championships on Oct. 6-8.

He opened the championships with a round of 117. He bounced back with rounds of 96 and 103 to finish with a total score of 316.

UW-River Falls

Shawano grads Gage and Crede Timm each played in the UW-River Falls football team's tight win over UW-Oshkosh on Oct. 8.

Gage Timm had a solo tackle and returned a kickoff 15 yards.

Crede Timm booted a 39-yard punt.

UW-Eau Claire

Bonduel graduate Isaac Garside

enjoyed a big game, but the UW-Eau Claire football team still lost to UW-Whitewater on Oct. 8.

Garside caught a 14-yard touchdown pass and ran for an 11-yard touchdown. He finished with five rushes for 27 yards and eight catches for 91 yards. He also returned one kickoff and one punt.

Former Bonduel teammate Parker Bohm also played in the game, serving as the long snapper on four kick attempts. The team made all four kicks.

Ripon College

Gillett grad Angela Mosconi placed 15th while running for the Ripon women's cross-country team during the Gene Davis Invitational on Oct. 8.

Mosconi posted a time of 24:24.4.

UW-Whitewater

Bonduel graduate Baylie Hansen played in one set during the UW-Whitewater volleyball team's sweep of Montclair State on Oct. 9.

Hansen recorded an attack kill and one block assist.

University of Minnesota Duluth

Pulaski graduate Logan Kobus punted twice in the Minnesota Duluth football team's win over University of Mary on Oct. 8.

The two punts traveled 86 combined yards.

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Team	W	L	Team	W	L	Lunds Corner Bar 9 12			193, Barbara Praslowicz 186, Cindy Mortenson		
Golfside	65	15	Karcz Lending 11 1			Brothers Pub Too 7 7			186, Alicia Schinzel 180, Kim Zeller 176, Jonelle		
Bamboo	52	28	CWAA 8 4			Just 4 Fun 6 15			Resch 173.		
Northern Advantage	50	30	S and M Tool 7 5			CDH 5 16			High team handicap series: Banner Banks 2,084,		
Rosie's Railway	50	30	Rew Motors 7 5			The Farmers 4 17			Star Campsite 2,058, Cady Home 2,020.		
Launching Pad	48	32	Kropf's Meat 5 7			High individual scratch games: Kevin Zuleger					
Farmall Fanatics	44	36	Kessen Auto Body 5 7			279, Bob Reiter Sr. 269, Mary Metoxen 247,					
Full Service Tents	37	43	TLC Auto Body 3 9			Jesse Metoxen 246, Shannon Beyersdorf 246,					
Brother's	31	49	Chet and Emil's 2 10			Bill Grosskreutz 235, Eric Schuh 233, Jesse					
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Lakeshore Lanes	28	52	S and M Tool 1,030, CWAA 934.			Renik 183, Sharon Buss 182, Darcie O'Kimosh 171.					
Pin Pricks	26	54	High individual scratch games: Stephan Miller			High individual scratch series: Kevin Zuleger					
Shawano Auto Sales	19 1/2	60 1/2	736, Adam Karcz 705, Doug Kunst 628.			738, Jesse Metoxen 698, Shannon Beyersdorf					
High team scratch games (top 3): Golfside 672,			High team scratch series: Karcz Lending 3,072, S			666, Bob Reiter Sr. 648, Mary Metoxen 646,					
Lakeshore Lanes 670, Farmall Fanatics 670.			and M Tool 2,957, Kropf's Meat 2,628.			Bill Grosskreutz 631, Eric Schuh 625, Jessie					
High individual scratch games (top 7): Carl			High individual scratch series: Jeremy			VanDerLinden 529, Mary Renik 521, Sharon Buss					
Malueg 279, Cody Lindal 266, Mark Cornish 259,			Praslowicz 267, Rhett Matz 226, Tyler Krull 224.			519, Darcie O'Kimosh 477, Sandy Weisnicht 464.					
John Campbell 256, Don Pedersen 255, Zack			Him & Hers Couples — Lakeshore Lanes			Chet and Emil's Monday Women's League					
Ruehle 253, Carson Malueg 245.			Team	W	L	Team	W	L	Chet and Emil's Tuesday Commercial		
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						Cady Home 741, Star Campsite 740.					

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Badgers win Leonhard's debut, topping Northwestern

Mertz tosses 5 TDs

By **ANDREW SELIGMAN**
The Associated Press

The nerves that hit Jim Leonhard during the week as he prepared for his first game following longtime boss Paul Chryst's firing were long gone by the time game day rolled around.

He woke up feeling just fine. This made his day better.

Graham Mertz threw for a career-high 299 yards and matched a career high with five touchdowns, Chimere Dike set personal bests with 185 yards receiving and three TD catches, and Wisconsin dominated in interim coach Leonhard's first game, pounding struggling Northwestern 42-7 on Oct. 8 in Evanston, Illinois.

Braelon Allen added 135 yards rushing. He also threw a 23-yard touchdown late in the second quarter, and the Badgers (3-3, 1-2 Big Ten) raced out to a 28-0 halftime lead on the way to an easy win in their first game since Chryst was fired.

"There was a lot more nerves throughout the week than there was today," the 39-year-old Leonhard said.

"Game day is game day. I've been a part of a lot of these, obviously not in this role. This is the reward. You put in the work, you put in the time and you should have confidence when you step off that bus that you have the right plan, you have the right guys, you put them in position to have success."

Wisconsin decided to make a leadership change following losses by a combined 55 points to Ohio State and Illinois, led by former coach Bret Bielema. Chryst was let go in his eighth season and replaced by Leonhard, a former All-America safety in his sixth year as defensive coordinator and seventh on staff at his alma mater.

"I lost one of my best friends that I saw every day," said linebacker Nick Herbig, who spoke to Chryst on Oct. 7. "I miss that guy for sure. I know he was watching us."

Herbig wouldn't reveal much about his conversation with Chryst, though he said Leonhard had a message to the team.

"He told us it was still coach Chryst's team. We're playing for him," Herbig said.

Mertz completed 20 of 29 passes.

Dike had touchdown receptions of 52 and 21 yards in the first half as well

as a 6-yarder in the fourth quarter. He caught 10 passes and easily surpassed his previous high of 106 yards.

Wisconsin racked up 515 yards in all and finished with 193 on the ground after being held to 2 yards rushing on 24 carries for its lowest total since 2015.

Northwestern (1-5, 1-2 Big Ten) lost its fifth straight since opening with a win over Nebraska in Ireland. The Wildcats are 6-16 since beating Wisconsin at home in 2020 on the way to winning the Big Ten West.

Ryan Hilinski threw for 147 yards and was intercepted twice.

The Badgers missed a field goal on the game's opening drive, but they took control with touchdowns on their next two possessions.

Mertz capped a nine-play, 98-yard march when he hit a wide open Skyler Bell for a 15-yarder, and Wisconsin wasted little time adding to it.

Kamo'i Latu intercepted Hilinski near midfield. Three plays later, Dike caught a pass from Mertz over the middle to start the second quarter and outran several defenders for a 52-yard score.

Dike set up another touchdown with a 43-yard catch, this time hauling in a 21-yarder from Mertz midway

through the quarter to bump the lead to 21-0. Allen took a direct snap and threw a 23-yard TD to Chez Mellusi with just over two minutes left in the half to make it a 28-point game.

Northwestern had a chance to score just before the break, only to come away empty-handed when Jack Olsen missed a 21-yarder on his first attempt this season as time expired.

The Wildcats converted a fourth-and-1 at the 4 in the final minute and threw two incompletions before coach Pat Fitzgerald opted to go for the field goal with two seconds remaining and the ball on the 3. Fans booed and they weren't happy, either, when the kick went wide left.

Dort hurt

Leonhard said defensive back Cedric Dort was feeling "much better" after being taken from the field on a cart early in the third.

Dort hit his head on the ground and stayed motionless for several minutes after breaking up a pass early.

He eventually sat up, and teammates surrounded him before he was carted off the field.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

WIAA will announce playoff field and pairings on live show

The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association will release the 2022 11-player and 8-player football playoff qualifying fields and pairings during a one-hour live program on Bally Sports Wisconsin and online with authentication as well as on Bally Sports Wisconsin Plus at 10 a.m. Oct. 15.

Veteran sports announcer Jay Wilson will serve as the host of the show, which will feature the announcement and first-round matchups for seven divisions of 11-player

football and one division of 8-player football. Joining in the commentary is lead analyst Travis Wilson of Wisports.net and regional analysts Jason Zaleski of the Zaleski Sports Show and Bob Brainerd, veteran Bally Sports Wisconsin announcer.

Dan Brunner, executive director of the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association, and WIAA Assistant Director Tom Shafanski are also scheduled to contribute commentary on the process of determining and executing the WIAA football playoffs.

There will be 224 teams qualifying for the 11-player postseason with four playoff levels prior to the state championship finals. The state finals will be played Nov. 17-18 at Camp Randall in Madison and will be aired on Bally Sports Wisconsin.

There will be 16 teams participating in the 8-player postseason with three playoff levels prior to the state championship final, which will be played Nov. 12 at Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln High School in Wisconsin Rapids.

Complete brackets and the level one schedule of games will be available on the WIAA website immediately following the live announcement of the bracket pairings.

There are 404 football teams eligible to participate in the 2022 football playoffs, 362 are 11-player programs and 42 are 8-player programs.

The program will be produced by Rush Media.

Check local listings for the Bally Sports Wisconsin channel on your cable system.

DNR hosting webinar Oct. 19 on where to practice shooting

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources will host the fourth of several educational hunting webinars at 7 p.m. on Oct. 19 for anyone new to hunting or looking to learn more about hunting.

October's webinar is titled – Wanna Go Hunting: Where Can We Practice

Shooting? – and will share information about finding firearm and archery shooting ranges, target practice opportunities, range etiquette and safety rules.

The webinar can be viewed on YouTube (www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rj6bQjcJWUs&feature=youtu

[be&ab_channel=WIDNRTV.](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rj6bQjcJWUs&feature=youtu))

"Shooting ranges provide a safe, quality experience for hunters and recreational shooters to practice their shooting skills," said Bob Nack, DNR recruitment, retention and reactivation team supervisor. "During this webinar, we will hear from new hunters about

their experience with finding a place to practice shooting and get their advice on honing your shooting skills."

Following a brief presentation and panel discussion, the audience will have opportunities to ask questions the panelists will answer at the end of the program.

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Pulaski boys earn No. 1 seed in Division 2 for postseason

By NEW MEDIA STAFF

The Pulaski, Shawano and Gresham/Bowler boys soccer teams all found out their postseason seeds and first opponents after the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association revealed playoff brackets.

Pulaski earned a No. 1 seed in its Division 2 playoff pod. The Red Raiders will host eighth-seeded Green Bay West at 7 p.m. Oct. 18.

Should Pulaski top Green Bay West, it would either face No. 4 Wausau East or No. 5 Marshfield on Oct. 22 in Pulaski.

Shawano is a No. 3 seed in the same playoff pod. The Hawks will open the postseason by hosting sixth-seeded Green Bay Southwest at 4 p.m. Oct. 18.

If Shawano were to defeat Green Bay Southwest, the Hawks would either host No. 7 Ashwaubenon or hit

the road to face No. 2 West De Pere.

Gresham/Bowler is a No. 9 seed in its Division 4 playoff pod. The co-op will travel to face No. 8 Northland Lutheran at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 18.

The winner will advance to face No. 1 Somerset at 4 p.m. Oct. 20.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

VOLLEYBALL

Oconto Falls takes 2nd at home tournament

Oconto Falls placed second at its home tournament on Oct. 8 in Oconto Falls. The Panthers defeated Menasha (25-14, 25-17), Green Bay NEW Lutheran (25-18, 25-19), Chilton (25-21, 25-10) and Peshtigo (25-19, 25-22) before losing to Freedom (25-15, 25-20) in the championship match.

Amber Otto led the Panthers with eight attack kills against Menasha, while Brailyn St. Louis had five. Hanna Krejcarek tallied three aces, Madison Uelmen recorded six digs and Morgan Moynihan had eight assists. Otto and St. Louis were credited with eight and seven attack kills, respectively, against Green Bay NEW Lutheran. Uelmen served five aces and had seven digs, Krejcarek posted 12 assists and eight digs, Otto also tallied eight digs and Kyndra Staidl chipped in seven digs.

In the win over Chilton, Otto recorded 15 attack kills, three aces and nine digs. St. Louis added seven attack kills, while Krejcarek led the team with 17 assists. Otto finished with nine attack kills against Peshtigo, while Keira Cole served six aces. Uelmen led the Panthers with 11 digs, while Moynihan had a team-leading 11 assists.

Otto and St. Louis posted six attack kills each against Freedom. Staidl paced the team with 11 digs, while Krejcarek had seven. Krejcarek also tallied nine assists, with Moynihan adding seven assists.

Gresham goes 2-1 at home invite

Gresham knocked off Oneida Nation (25-12, 25-14) and Northland Lutheran (26-24, 25-19) while losing to Bonduel (25-13, 22-25, 16-14) during the Wildcat Invite on Oct. 8 in Gresham.

In the win over Oneida Nation, Chloe Bohl led Gresham with nine kills. Maddie Haffner tallied 11 service points and Josie Cerveney had eight assists.

Against Northland Lutheran, Bohl and Haffner recorded eight kills each.

Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes led the Wildcats with nine assists, while Rylie Kakwitsch chipped in six digs.

In the setback to Bonduel, Bohl finished with 11 kills. Jessa Jensen provided 13 digs and seven kills, with Baddmoccasin-Barnes tallying 12 assists. Cerveney finished with eight assists, while Haffner had 11 digs and six service points.

Bonduel 3

Rosholt 0

Bonduel swept Rosholt by scores of 25-12, 25-20, 25-22 and saw a couple players reach milestones in a Central Wisconsin Conference crossover match on Oct. 6 in Bonduel.

Hailee Thompson finished the match with 26 assists, seven digs and four kills for Bonduel. The junior's fifth assist was the 1,000th of her career.

Macy Niles recorded 22 digs on the night for the Bears. The senior's first dig was the 1,000th of her career.

Lila Pleshek added 15 digs for Bonduel. Audrey Weier and Josie Anvelink each recorded nine kills, while Nakiyah Henning had eight and Abby Stoltzenow tallied six.

Tigerton 3

Gresham 2

Tigerton rallied for a five-set nonconference win over Gresham on Oct. 4 in Tigerton. The Tigers won by scores of 20-25, 25-23, 15-25, 25-23, 17-15.

Skyler Hauser posted 26 total kills, 17 digs and nine service points to lead Tigerton, while Abby Swartz had 10 attack kills and 18 digs. Samantha Suehring contributed 25 digs and 10 service points.

McKenzie Hoffman led Tigerton with 16 assists, while also providing 13 digs. McKenzie Miller tallied 14 service points, while Jade Selle had 11 digs and eight service points.

Maddie Haffner recorded 13 service points and seven kills for Gresham. Lexi Baddmoccasin-Barnes finished with 15 assists, while Chloe Bohl had 15 kills. Janay Pecore-Kirkland contributed 12 service points, while Josie Cerveney had 10 digs.

Suring 3

Gillett 1

Suring knocked off Marinette & Oconto Conference foe Gillett by scores of 23-25, 25-23, 25-22, 25-13 on Oct. 4 in Suring.

Christine Sleeter led Suring with 15 total kills, six digs and five aces. McKenzie Chesterfield added seven attack kills, while Bailey Stuart had four.

MaShya Seefeldt led the Eagles with 15 assists, Emma Kristof tallied 10 digs and MacKenzie Bailey served four aces.

CROSS-COUNTRY

Suring girls with invite behind Noack

The Suring girls won the Lena Invite on Oct. 4 in Lena behind a first-place individual finish from Olivia Noack.

Noack completed the course in 22 minutes, 10 seconds.

Georgia Gerndt came in third in 23:40, while Hailey Thomson was eighth in 25:13. Ginger Gerndt (25:30) claimed 10th and Morgan Suring (26:58) was 13th to cap the team score.

Comins, VanArk guide

Lena/STAA co-op at invite

Dylan Comins and Haley Van Ark led the Lena/St. Thomas Aquinas Academy co-op during the Lena Invite on Oct. 4 in Lena.

Comins placed seventh in the boys race with a time of 20:02. Van Ark finished 16th in the girls race in 27:37.

Mason Belongia (20:50), Erik Kosch (21:11) and Reed Hosking (21:43) also ran for the boys team, placing 10th, 11th and 13th, respectively.

Miriam Alberts (31:28), Chaela Rabas (31:30) and Kali Fischer (33:34) ran for the girls team, taking 26th, 27th and 36th, respectively.

Lange takes 28th at Lena invite

James Lange took 28th place while representing Wolf River Lutheran at the Lena Invite on Oct. 4 in Lena.

Lange completed the boys race in 25:26.

Nelson leads co-op at invitational

Gresham/Bowler's Bryson Nelson turned in a fourth-place individual finish to lead the co-op at the Marion Invitational on Oct. 3 in Marion. Nelson posted a time of 20:51.1.

Kevin Miller (26:04.9) and Kobe Miller (29:51.2) also ran for the boys, placing 23rd and 29th, respectively.

Waupoose, Reeves

guide Eagles in Marion

Barron Waupoose and Urijah Reeves had the top individual finishes for Menominee Indian at the Marion Invitational on Oct. 3 in Marion.

Waupoose led a boys team of four runners with a sixth-place finish in 21:09.7. Reeves was one of two girls competing, placing eighth in 26:37.6.

Mariah Fish was the other girls runner, taking 12th in 28:31.8. Lloyd Reeves (21:30) claimed ninth, while Francis Delabrau (22:15.3) was 11th and Maech Corn (22:33.5) 13th in the boys race.

Much with top finish for

Mustangs at home meet

Bridget Much placed 17th in the girls race while representing the Marion girls at the Marion Invitational on Oct. 3 in Marion. Much completed the course in 31:21.9.

Tristan Herro (24:45.6) placed 21st to lead the boys team. Jaden Stuhr (26:12.6) finished 24th, while Jesse Trebus (27:33) claimed 25th. Jackson Krohn placed 28th in 29:17.2.

BOYS SOCCER

Pulaski 2

Sheboygan South 1

Pulaski doubled up Sheboygan South in a Fox River Classic Conference clash on Oct. 6 in Sheboygan.

Alex Kouzov tied the match with a goal off a Chase Ambrosius assist in the 28th minute.

Hayden Schultz netted the game-winning goal in the 32nd minute, scoring unassisted.

Goalie Mason Baker stopped three shots to help preserve the win for Pulaski.

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