

BULLDOGS: C-W ends season with win, snaps 15-game losing streak



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Senior Carter Kummet, pictured at left, rushed for 100 yards and one touchdown, and also had a game-sealing interception to help propel the Bulldogs to a three-point win over Barron last week. Pictured in the middle, senior Ryan Smith hauls in a third-down pass for a key first down in the first half. Pictured at right, the C-W defense celebrates after sacking the Golden Bears' quarterback for a safety.

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opening possession gave the Golden Bears the ball at C-W's 38-yard line. A 17-yard completion on 3rd and 14 by Barron quarterback Colin Kappel helped setup a 1-yard touchdown run by Caiden LaLiberty who plunged in for the score. The visitors added the two-point conversion to take an 8-0 lead.

On the ensuing possession C-W responded with a promising drive deep into Barron territory but another fumble—this time on the Bears' 7-yard line ended another scoring drive.

Both defenses settled in from that point on until the Bulldogs took over near midfield with 5:54 left in the half.

Junior quarterback found senior Ryan Smith for an 18-yard completion on 4th and 9 for a key first down. From there, senior Carter Kummet had runs of 18, 11 and 6 yards before scoring a touchdown on a 1-yard run. The two-point conversion was unsuccessful as C-W trailed 8-6 at the

break. Senior Ashton Kummert intercepted a pass by Kappel just before halftime to end Barron's final drive of the quarter.

The Bulldogs started the second half with a 76-yard kick return by Smith, giving the C-W offense the ball at Barron's 11-yard line. Although the 'Dogs had to settle for a go-ahead field goal, senior Han Johnson's 29-yard kick was true as C-W claimed a 9-8 lead with 10 minutes left in the third quarter.

Johnson shined once again midway through the fourth quarter with a beautiful 48-yard punt that was downed on Barron's own 2-yard line.

On the very next play C-W senior lineman Vinny Murray sacked Kappel for a safety which gave the 'Dogs two points and increased the lead to 11-8.

Carter Kummert iced the game late in the fourth quarter with an interception as the Bulldogs celebrated its first win in over two years. A celebration soon ensued with the school song and a jug of

Gatorade being dumped over coach Knickerbocker.

C-W's last win came against Barron on Oct. 11, 2019, when the 'Dogs defeated the Golden Bears 28-6.

"Our offense made the plays and controlled the game at the line of scrimmage. The defense did a great job of executing the game plan and getting to the football. Special teams made some huge plays that wound up giving us the momentum at several points," Knickerbocker stated. "All in all, our seniors have a lot to be proud of. They set the tone for us early on in the season with their expectations, and they saw it through until the end. They deserve a lot of credit."

It was the final high school game for 8 seniors—Ashton Kummert, Carter Kummert, Tristan Wendt, William Sexton, Eric Taft, Ryan Smith, Han Johnson and Vinny Murray.

C-W rushed for a season-high 123 and was led by Carter Kummert with 100 yards and one touchdown on 14 carries. Han Johnson

added 34 yards on seven attempts while senior Ashton Kummert rushed for 25 yards on five carries.

Cade Johnson had an efficient game at quarterback

completing 5-7 passes for 31 yards and zero turnovers. Smith was the leading receiver with two receptions for 21 yards and a score.

The win over Barron

signaled the end of the 2021 football season for both squads as neither the Bulldogs or Golden Bears qualified for the WIAA playoffs which begin this week.



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Keg 'N Kork teams take first, second place in White League

The Wednesday White and Yellow Golf Leagues at Sunset View Golf Course recently wrapped up with an awards banquet where several trophies, plaques and cash payouts were disbursed. The team of Pat Norton and Duane Bowers won first place in the white league while Kevin Masters and Tom Neu were the second-place team—both teams were sponsored by Keg 'N Kork in Chetek. Dave Larson and Neil Fockel were champions of the Yellow League while Chuck Holder and Tim Adams were the second place team. Top individual golfers pictured above, from left to right, from the White League are Kevin Masters (second place), Keith King (first place) and Tim Adams (third place). Pictured below, from left to right, are the top individual golfers of the Yellow League: Tim Adams (first place), Dave Chirstensen (second place) and Tom Thompson (third place).



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