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SPORTS

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Craig's Nicholson takes Parker Invitational golf title

Cougar standout sets new school record Saturday at Riverside

By John Barry

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JANESVILLE

Mya Nicholson's future is likely in basketball.

The Janesville Craig sophomore is considered one of the top players in the state in the class of 2024.

After Saturday's record-setting performance at the Parker Invitational, she might have to reassess her future plans. Nich-Riverside to win medalist honors and also set a school scoring

to nines of 36 and 33, Nicholson broke the program's scoring record of 73 set by Kallie Lux.

Top-ranked Middleton won the team title with 308, while Union Grove was second on a tiebreaker and Westosha Central third after both teams shot 317. Milton was fourth, Craig eighth and host Parker 11th.

Nicholson began her round with a birdie on her first hole and never let up. She tied Norah Roberts of Union Grove for the low round but won the medalist tiebreaker thanks to a 33 on the back nine compared to Rob-

"I hit so many putts, and my olson shot a 2-under par 69 at drives were really good," Nicholson said of her round. "I knew I was leading after the front nine,

record in the process. Thanks but I bogeyed three holes on the break the school record. back and didn't think I'd be leading anymore. Once I got to my last hole, I looked at the leaderboard again on my phone and knew I needed to birdie because I was one behind. I was able to hit my approach shot close and made the putt."

Nicholson didn't have much time to enjoy her tournament win. She quickly left the golf tournament to join her Let It Rain AAU traveling basketball team for a tournament in Kettle Moraine followed by another one this weekend in Green Bay.

"Basketball's still my favorite, but you never know," Nicholson said of her future plans. "I guess we'll just have to see how it goes."

Craig coach Alex Schaar was not surprised to see Nicholson

"She's already a very good golfer and is only going to get better as she really starts to understand the game," Schaar said.

Lauren Dammen added an 89 for the Cougars.

Parker, behind a career-best 87 from Bailey Carlson and a career-best 38 on the back nine from Sarah Zimmerman, shot its lowest round of the season.

"We came in hoping to possibly break 390, which we haven't done all season, and we end up shooting 375," Parker coach John Zimmerman said. "I'm so proud of these girls right now.

We're playing our best golf of the season as a team right now, and with the Big Eight Conference meet next week and the

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Anthony Wahl/awahl@gazettextra.com Janesville Craig's Mya Nicholson hits her second shot from the edge of the 18th fairway during a golf invitational hosted by Janesville Parker at Riverside Golf Course on Satur-

CITY PREP FOOTBALL



Anthony Wahl/awahl@gazettextra.com

Milton's Zack Bothun finds room to run during the first half of their Homecoming game against Janesville Parker

Red Hawks grind one out

■ Milton shuts out Janesville Parker, stays alive in WIAA Division 2 playoff chase

By David Vantress

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MILTON

Two Badger Large Conference teams looking to keep their playoff hopes alive met at Anderson

Milton **Parker** **17**

on Friday night. And it was the Milton Red Hawks who sent

their Homecoming crowd home happy—and keeping its eyes on ball in the end zone," Kreger said. the prize of a WIAA Division 2 over Janesville Parker.

With the loss, Parker dropped most of the first half.

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Field in Milton to 1-4 (0-3 Badger Large). Milton improved to 2-3 (1-2).

Parker coach Clayton Kreger said his team again had trouble finishing drives.

"We have to be able to put the

It was a sloppy start to the playoff berth-with a 17-0 win game for both teams, who traded three-and-outs and penalties for

On the night, the two teams combined for 20 penalties for 165

Milton finally got on the scoreboard with 3:03 left in the second quarter. The Red Hawks recovered a high snap on a Parker punt attempt at the Vikings 9. Two plays later, Milton quarterback Brayden Bastian connected with Brogan McIntyre on an 11-yard TD pass. A failed kick left the score 6-0 in favor of the Red

The Red Hawks added a 23-yard Colton Conway field goal with 8:03 left in the third.

Meanwhile, Parker had several good, sustained drives, but wasn't able to find the end zone.

Milton added what appeared to be the game-clinching score

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UW-WHITEWATER FOOTBALL

No. 2 Warhawks pull away from No. 25 Berry

By David Vantress

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WHITEWATER

The UW-Whitewater football team had a pretty tough nonconference slate in 2021, including two ranked teams.

The Warhawks dispatched one of those teams, then-No. 8 Salisbury, on the road Sept. 11,

On Saturday afternoon, UW-Whitewater exploded for 30 first-half points before coasting

to a 39-7 win over No.25 Warhawks 39 Berry (Georgia) in front of

Vikings nearly 9,000 fans at Perkins Stadium.

Warhawk senior quarterback Max Meylor said the Warhawk defense set the tone.

"They really set us up well us in positions where we could on a 1-yard Peete run. score quickly.

Senior defensive back Mark McGrath credits the big guys up front for much of UW-Whitewater's defensive success so far. The Warhawks limited Berry to just 62 rushing yards on 29 carries Saturday afternoon-a paltry 2.1 yards per carry.

"It all starts with those guys," McGrath said.

The Warhawks (3-0) got on the board at the 5:54 mark of the first quarter when Meylor and Tyler Holte connected on a 33-yard TD pass. A failed PAT left the score at 6-0 UW-Whitewater. Whitewat5:54er with

5:38 left in the first quarter.

The Warhawks added a second TD at the 5:54 mark of the second quarter when Meylor and receiver Sam DeLany combined on a 13-yard scoring strike. Kaeper Lupa's kick made it 13-0 Warhawks.

Lupa added a 24-yard field goal with 2:57 left in the first half. It looked like that might be the halftime score, but UW-Whitewater got two touchdowns in the space of 23 seconds in the final minute of the first half. Both came off Berry fumbles in their own red zone.

So instead of going into the locker room up 16-0, the Warhawks took a 30-0 advantage into halftime.

The Warhawks substituted freely in the second half and added another field goal-this one a 32-yarder by Matthew today," Meylor said. "They put Maldonado-and another TD

> Berry finally cracked the scoreboard with 1:24 left in the contest when Cameron Kawa caught a 20-yard TD pass from Blake Hembree.

UW-Whitewater coach Kevin Bullis was pleased to see his team convert turnovers into

"That's something we've not done a very good job of so far," Bullis said. "Those two plays (at the end of the second quarter) were huge. That's a good football team over there ... They're very deserving of their ranking."

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UW-Whitewater kicker Matthew Maldonado connects on a 33-yard field goal in the fourth quarter of the Warhawks' 39-7 win over Berry (Ga.) on Saturday afternoon at Perkins Stadium in Whitewater.

Cougars get key Badger Large win

Craig continues to exceed expectations as season progresses

By John Barry

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JANESVILLE

Don't look now, but Janesville Craig is in Craig sole possession of third place Oregon in the Badger

Large Conference. The Cougars, who were 0-5 in the alternate fall season and

picked by many to finish at or near the bottom of the conference standings this season, improved to 2-1 in league play with a resounding 35-21 win over hallway saying every day that Oregon on Friday night at Monterey Stadium.

Hunter Klietz picked apart the Panthers' secondary to the tune of 304 yards passing and three touchdowns. He added a rushing TD as Craig improved to 2-3 overall.

Craig trailed 14-0 in the second quarter but scored 35 unanswered points, including 22 in

the third quarter. Jake Schaffner caught eight

passes for 121 yards and a touchdown. He said the Cougars continue to prove the skeptics wrong.

"I get so sick of people in the Craig football (stinks) and that Craig football won't do anything," Schaffner said. "We're proving them wrong day by day."

The turning point Friday was Klietz's 72-yard bomb to Caleb Brager for a touchdown with Craig trailing 14-0 in the second quarter. Jacob Costello added a 1-yard TD run with 21 seconds left in the half to make it 14-13 at

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High-A Central Standings East Division

Dayton	65	55 .542 —					
Lake County	65	55 .542 -					
Great Lakes	63	57 .525 2					
Lansing	58	62 .483 7					
West Michigan	58	62 .483 7					
Fort Wayne	54	66 .450 11					
West Division							
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WCS	W	L Pct. GB					
x-Quad Cities							
	W	L Pct. GB					
x-Quad Cities	W 77	L Pct. GB 41 .653 —					
x-Quad Cities Cedar Rapids	W 77 67	L Pct. GB 41 .653 — 53 .558 11					
x-Quad Cities Cedar Rapids Wisconsin	W 77 67 59	L Pct. GB 41 .653 — 53 .558 11 60 .496 18½					

75 .375 x-clinched playoff **RESULTS SATURDAY** Lake County 4, Beloit 0 Lansing 5, West Michigan 3

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Wisconsin 8, Great Lakes 6 Dayton 8, Fort Wayne 5 Quad Cities 4, South Bend 3 Cedar Rapids 6, Peoria 3 RESULTS SUNDAY

West Michigan 19, Lansing 4 Wisconsin 2, Great Lakes 0 Beloit 5, Lake County 3 South Bend 5, Quad Cities 4, 10

Dayton 5, Fort Wayne 3 Cedar Rapids 11, Peoria 0 **GAMES MONDAY** No games scheduled **GAMES TUESDAY** Quad Cities vs. TBD

Pro football

NFL Standings AMERICAN CONFERENCE **East**

	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA					
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	51	23					
Miami	1	1	0	.500	17	51					
New England	1	1	0	.500	41	23					
N.Y. Jets	0	2	0	.000	20	44					
South											
W L T Pct PF PA											
Houston	1	1	0	.500	58	52					
Tennessee	1	1	0	.500	46	68					
Indianapolis	0	2	0	.000	40	55					
Jacksonville	0	2	0	.000	34	60					
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١	N	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA					
Baltimore	1	1	0	.500	63	68					
Cincinnati	1	1	0	.500	44	44					
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	60	54					
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	40	42					
	V	۷e	st								
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA					
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	50	26					
Las Vegas	2	0	0	1.000	59	44					
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	68	65					
L.A. Chargers	1	1	0	.500	37	36					
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N.Y. Giants	0	2	0	.000	42	57			
South									
	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA			
Carolina	2	0	0	1.000	45	21			
Tampa Bay	2	0	0	1.000	79	54			
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	45	29			
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	31	80			
	N	loi	rth						
,	W	L	Т	Pct	PF	PA			
Chicago	1	1	0	.500	34	51			
Detroit	0	1	0	.000	33	41			
Green Bay	0	1	0	.000	3	38			
Minnesota	0	2	0	.000	57	61			
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	W	/ L	. Т	Pct	PF	PA			
Arizona	2	2 0	0	1.000	72	46			
L.A. Rams	- 2	2 0	0	1.000	61	38			
San Francisco	0 2	2 0	0	1.000	58	44			
Seattle	1	1 1	0	.500	58	49			

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RESULTS THURSDAY Washington 30, N.Y. Giants 29 RESULTS SUNDAY Buffalo 35, Miami 0

Carolina 26, New Orleans 7 Chicago 20, Cincinnati 17 Cleveland 31, Houston 21 Denver 23, Jacksonville 13 L.A. Rams 27, Indianapolis 24 Las Vegas 26, Pittsburgh 17 New England 25, N.Y. Jets 6 San Francisco 17, Phila, 11 Arizona 34, Minnesota 33 Tampa Bay 48, Atlanta 25 Dallas 20, L.A. Chargers 17 Tennessee 33, Seattle 30, OT Baltimore 36, Kansas City 35

Detroit at Green Bay, 7:15 p.m. **GAMES THURSDAY** Carolina at Houston, 7:20 p.m. **GAMES SUNDAY**

Arizona at Jacksonville, noon Atlanta at N.Y. Giants, noon Baltimore at Detroit, noon Chicago at Cleveland, noon Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, noon Indianapolis at Tennessee, noon L.A. Chargers at Kansas City, noon

Washington at Buffalo, noon Miami at Las Vegas, 3:05 p.m. N.Y. Jets at Denver, 3:05 p.m. Seattle at Minnesota, 3:25 p.m. Tampa Bay at L.A. Rams, 3:25 p.m. Green Bay at San Francisco, 7:20 p.m.

GAME MONDAY, SEPT. 27 Phila. at Dallas, 7:15 p.m.

Auto racing

NASCAR Cup Series Bass Pro Shops Night Race Results Saturday At Bristol Motor Speedway Bristol, Tenn. Lap length: 0.53 miles

(Start position in parentheses)
1. (5) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 500 laps, 59 points. 2. (8) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 500, 45.

- 3. (14) William Byron, Chevrolet, 500, 42 points. 4. (7) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 500, 43.
- 5. (11) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 6. (10) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 500.
- 7. (1) Martin Truex Jr, Toyota, 500,
- 32 8. (22) Erik Jones, Chevrolet, 500,
- 29. 9. (2) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 500,
- 10. (19) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford,
- 11. (3) Joey Logano, Ford, 500, 26. 12. (13) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet,
- 500, 27. 13. (20) Chase Briscoe, Ford, 500,
- 14. (17) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet,
- 15. (18) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet,
- 500, 22. 16. (28) Bubba Wallace, Toyota,
- 17. (27) Ryan Preece, Chevrolet, 18. (12) Aric Almirola, Ford, 500, 19.
- 19. (15) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 500,
- 20. (23) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Chev-
- 21. (9) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 499, 21. 22. (21) Daniel Suarez, Chevrolet,
- 23. (25) Chris Buescher, Ford, 498, 24. (16) Michael McDowell, Ford,
- 498, 13, 25. (4) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet,

- 26. (31) Corey Lajoie, Chevrolet, **Pro baseball**
 - 27. (35) JJ Yeley, Chevrolet, 495, 0. 28. (26) Cole Custer, Ford, 494, 9. 29. (6) Christopher Bell, Toyota,
 - 30. (36) Garrett Smithley, Chevro-let, 487, 0. 31. (33) Josh Bilicki, Ford, 482, 6.
 - 32. (38) David Starr, Toyota, 482, 0. 33. (37) James Davison, Chevrolet,
 - 474, 4. 34. (34) Quin Houff, Chevrolet, accident, 375, 3. 35. (30) Anthony Alfredo, Ford, ac-
 - cident, 313, 2. 36. (29) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, accident, 216, 0.
 - 37. (32) BJ McLeod, Ford, accident, 38. (24) Ryan Newman, Ford, ga-

NASCAR-Xfinity Food City 300 Results Friday At Bristol Motor Speedway

Bristol, Tenn. Lap length: 0.53 miles (Start position in parentheses)
1. (10) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet,

- 306 laps, 50 points.
 2. (9) Austin Cindric, Ford, 306, 45.
- 3. (8) Riley Herbst, Ford, 306, 34. 4. (2) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 306, 52,
- 5. (16) Brandon Jones, Toyota, 306,
- 6. (5) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 306,
- 7. (6) Harrison Burton, Toyota, 306,
- 8. (17) Myatt Snider, Chevrolet, 9. (22) Sam Mayer, Chevrolet, 306,
- 10. (4) Daniel Hemric, Toyota, 306,
- 11. (3) Ty Gibbs, Toyota, 306, 32.
- 12. (1) Noah Gragson, Chevrolet, 13. (13) Jeremy Clements, Chevro-
- let. 306, 24, 14. (11) Brandon Brown, Chevrolet,
- 15. (31) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 305,
- 16. (32) Sage Karam, Chevrolet, 305, 21. 17. (36) Joe Graf Jr, Chevrolet, 305, 18. (39) Gray Gaulding, Chevrolet,
- 19. (14) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, 305,
- 20. (18) Josh Williams, Chevrolet, 21. (21) Brandon Gdovic, Toyota, 305, 16. 22. (27) Stefan Parsons, Chevrolet,
- 23. (23) Tommy Joe Martins, Chev-
- rolet, 304, 14 24. (7) Jeb Burton, Chevrolet, 303,
- 25. (29) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 303, 12.
- 26. (37) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet, 303, 27. (30) Jade Buford, Chevrolet,
- 28. (25) Jesse Little, Chevrolet, 302, 29. (19) Kyle Weatherman, Chevro-
- let. 301. 8. 30. (24) David Starr, Toyota, 300, 7. 31. (33) Spencer Boyd, Chevrolet,
- 32. (34) Carson Ware, Chevrolet,
- 33. (38) Chad Finchum, Toyota, 282, 4. 34. (12) Ryan Sieg, Ford, fuelpump, 259, 5
- 35. (15) Josh Berry, Chevrolet, 215,
- 36. (26) Matt Mills, Chevrolet, ac-37. (28) Ryan Vargas, Chevrolet,
- 38. (40) Bayley Currey, Chevrolet,
- 39. (35) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, electrical, 40, 1.
 40. (20) Brett Moffitt, Chevrolet, accident, 9, 1.
 Race Statistics
- Average Speed of Race Winner: Time of Race: 2 hours, 10 minutes, 26 seconds
- Margin of Victory: 0.082 seconds.

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Selected
the contract of RHP Thomas Eshelman from Norfolk (Triple-A East), Recalled RHP Brooks Kriske from Norfolk. Optioned RHP Spenser Watkins to Norfolk. Designated RHP Dusten Knight for assignment.

CLEVELAND INDIANS - Sent RHP Shane Bieber to Akron (Double-A Northeast) on a rehab assignment. DETROIT TIGERS - Placed LHP Gregory Soto on the 10-day IL, retro-

active to Sept. 18. Placed OF Derek Hill on the 10-day IL. Recalled OF Daz Cameron and INF Isaac Paredes from Toledo (Triple-A East).

NEW YORK YANKEES — Optioned RHP Luis Gil to Scranton/Wil-kes-Barre (Triple-A East). Sent OF

Miguel Andujar to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre on a rehab assignment. Recalled OF Estevan Florial from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. Optioned RHP Clarke Schmidt to Scranton/ Wilkes-Barre.

TAMPA BAY RAYS — RHP Louis Head to Durham (Triple-A East). Designated RHP Joey Krehiel for assignment. Reinstated LHP Shane McClanahan and CF Kevin Kiermaier from the 10-day IL.

TEXAS RANGERS — Designated RHP Kohei Arihara for assignment. Activated RHP Mike Foltynewicz from the COVID-19 II .

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Placed LHP Hyun Jin Ryu on the 10-day IL, retroactive to Sept. 18. Recalled LHP Tay-ler Saucedo from Buffalo (Triple-A

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS - Selected the contract of 3B Ildemaro Vargas from Reno (Triple-A West). Designated RHP Jake Faria for as-

ATI ANTA BRAVES — Optioned SS Orlando Arcia to Gwinnett (Triple-A East). Reinstated RHP Luke Jackson from the paternity list.

CHICAGO CUBS — Activated 2B Nico Hoerner and RHP Keegan Thompson from the 10-day IL. Designation nated RHP Dillon Maples for assignment. Optioned RF Nick Martini to Iowa (Triple-A East). NEW YORK METS - Sent RHP Rob-

ert Gsellman to Syracuse (Triple-A East) on a rehab assignment.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Recalled RHP Max Kranick from Indianapolis (Triple-A East). Placed RHP Bryse Wilson on the 10-day IL. FOOTBALL

National Football League CAROLINA PANTHERS — Added CB Rashaan Melvin and C Sam Tecklen-burg to the active roster.

SOCCER **Major League Soccer**

FC DALLAS - Announced the departure of Luchi Gonzalez as head

On TV/Radio

TODAY FUTSAL 11:50 a.m.

■ FS2-FIFA World Cup: U.S. vs. Serbia, Group F, Klaipeda, Lithuania

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

6 p.m.

■ MLBN-Texas at NY Yankees OR Baltimore at Philadelphia

6:40 p.m.

■ Bally Sports Wisconsin—St. Louis at Milwaukee

■ MLBN-Houston at LA Angels OR Seattle at Oakland

7:15 p.m. **■ ESPN**-Detroit at Green Bay

(Games Joined in Progress)

■ ESPN2-Detroit at Green Bay (MNF with Peyton and Eli)

SOFTBALL

6 p.m. ■ FS1-Athletes Unlimited: Team Ocasio vs. Team Osterman, Rosemont III.

9 p.m.

■ CBSSN-Athletes Unlimited: Team Jaquish vs. Team Chidester, Rosemont III.

5 a.m.

■ TENNIS-Metz-ATP, Nur-Sultan-ATP, Ostrava-WTA, Early Rounds

1 a.m. (Tuesday)

■ TENNIS-Metz-ATP, Nur-Sultan-ATP, Ostrava-WTA, Early Rounds

5 a.m. (Tuesday)

■ TENNIS-Metz-ATP, Nur-Sultan-ATP, Ostrava-WTA, Early Rounds

RADIO

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

6:40 p.m.

■ WCLO 1230 AM and 92.7 FM-St. Louis at Milwaukee (pregame begins at 6:05 p.m.)

Pro golf

PGA Tour Fortinet Championship Par Scores Sunday

Max Homa (500), \$1,260,000

At Silverado Resort and Spa North Napa, Calif. Purse: \$7 million Yardage: 7,123; Par: 72 **Individual FedExCup Points in Parentheses Final Round**

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Maverick McNealy (300), \$763,000	68-64-70-68_270	-18
Mito Pereira (190), \$483,000	67-67-70-68_272	-16
Marc Leishman (123), \$315,000	69-71-68-65_273	-15
Talor Gooch (123), \$315,000	69-70-66-68_273	-15
Hideki Matsuyama (86), \$220,850	69-69-71-66_275	-13
Patrick Rodgers (86), \$220,850	68-70-70-67_275	-13
John Augenstein (0), \$220,850	68-69-70-68_275	-13
C.T. Pan (86), \$220,850	71-68-67-69_275	-13
Scott Stallings (86), \$220,850	67-70-67-71_275	-13
Austin Cook (61), \$150,150	68-71-68-69_276	-12
Will Zalatoris (61), \$150,150	68-67-71-70_276	-12
Scott Piercy (61), \$150,150	69-69-68-70_276	-12
Si Woo Kim (61), \$150,150	68-70-68-70_276	-12
Jim Knous (61), \$150,150	70-67-65-74_276	-12
Mark Hubbard (48), \$103,250	70-68-71-68_277	-11
Bronson Burgoon (48), \$103,250	68-67-73-69_277	-11
Nate Lashley (48), \$103,250	67-70-70-70_277	-11
Harold Varner III (48), \$103,250	68-68-70-71_277	-11
Beau Hossler (48), \$103,250	70-64-70-73_277	-11
Troy Merritt (48), \$103,250	67-68-69-73_277	-11
Brendon Todd (37), \$65,333	71-70-70-67_278	-10
Peter Malnati (37), \$65,333	71-66-73-68_278	-10
Cameron Tringale (37), \$65,333	66-72-71-69_278	-10
David Lipsky (37), \$65,333	73-64-70-71_278	-10
Charley Hoffman (37), \$65,333	69-71-67-71_278	-10
Dawie van der Walt (37), \$65,333	68-70-68-72_278	-10
Chez Reavie (30), \$51,100	65-75-70-69_279	-9
Patton Kizzire (30), \$51,100	69-70-67-73_279	-9
Greyson Sigg (24), \$42,875	68-72-71-69_280	-8
Nick Watney (24), \$42,875	71-70-69-70_280	-8
Wyndham Clark (24), \$42,875	68-71-70-71_280	-8
Kevin Tway (24), \$42,875	70-69-69-72_280	-8
Andrew Putnam (24), \$42,875	72-69-66-73_280	-8
Webb Simpson (24), \$42,875	70-71-65-74_280	-8
Taylor Pendrith (18), \$32,608	71-68-71-71_281	-7
Nick Hardy (18), \$32,608	69-72-68-72_281	-7
Matt Kuchar (18), \$32,608	70-66-72-73_281	-7
Aaron Baddeley (18), \$32,608	71-68-68-74_281	-7
Tom Hoge (18), \$32,608	71-66-69-75_281	-7
Phil Mickelson (18), \$32,608	70-69-67-75_281	-7

LPGA Tour Cambia Portland Classic Par Scores

At The Oregon Golf Club West Linn, Ore. Yardage: 6.478: Par: 72 **Final Round**

Jin Young Ko, \$210,000	69-67-69_205 -	11
Jeongeun Lee, \$110,744	73-67-69_209	-7
Su Oh, \$110,744	69-71-69_209	-7
Perrine Delacour, \$72,036	69-73-69_211	-5
Patty Tavatanakit, \$48,376	76-67-69 212	-4
Esther Henseleit, \$48,376	72-70-70_212	-4
Carlota Ciganda, \$48,376	68-71-73_212	-4
Jennifer Kupcho, \$27,168	73-72-68_213	-3
Jennifer Song, \$27,168	72-73-68_213	-3
Ashleigh Buhai, \$27,168	70-74-69_213	-3
Anne van Dam, \$27,168	72-70-71_213	-3
Jeongeun Lee6, \$27,168	70-70-73_213	-3
Pajaree Anannarukarn, \$27,168	68-72-73_213	-3
Gemma Dryburgh, \$27,168	68-69-76_213	-3
Sarah Schmelzel, \$18,413	71-74-69_214	-2
Mi Jung Hur, \$18,413	69-75-70_214	-2
Emma Talley, \$18,413	71-72-71_214	-2
Sung Hyun Park, \$18,413	70-73-71_214	-2
Alana Uriell, \$18,413	74-66-74_214	-2
Mina Harigae, \$14,471	75-70-70_215	-1
Wei-Ling Hsu, \$14,471	73-72-70_215	-1
Nasa Hataoka, \$14,471	71-74-70_215	-1
Haley Moore, \$14,471	71-74-70_215	-1
Cydney Clanton, \$14,471	72-71-72_215	-1
Andrea Lee. \$14.471	72-68-75 215	-1

PGA Tour Champions Sanford International Par Scores

Sunday At Minnehaha Country Club Sioux Falls, S.D. Yardage: 6,729; Par: 70 Purse: \$1.8 Million

Darren Clarke won in playoff

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K.J. Choi. \$144.000

Tim Petrovic, \$27,036

Davis Love III, \$27,036

Billy Andrade, \$27,036 Jerry Kelly, \$19,470

CITY PREP ROUNDUP

Compiled from Gazette staff reports

VOLLEYBALL Parker wins **Comet Invitational**

Schober led Janesville Parker's volleyball team to the Comet Invitational title at Delavan-Darien High School on Saturday.

The senior had 47 kills, seven aces and 53 digs to lead the Vikings to a 4-1 dual meet record. Parker defeated Racine Lutheran 22-25, 25-22 and 15-9 in the championship match.

Parker also defeated Wilmot, Beloit Memorial and host Delavan-Darien.

Sydney Pajerski set the pace offensively for the Vikings with 94 assists in the tournament, and Brooke Payne had a teamhigh eight blocks.

Parker returns to Big Eight Conference action Tuesday night at Madison

Comet Invitational
Parker results: Defeated Delavan-Darien 21-25, 25-20, 15-8; lost to Lake Geneva Badger 22-25, 20-25: defeated Wilmot 25-23, 25-11: defeated Beloit Memorial 25-11 25-7; defeated Racine Lutheran 22-

25-7; dereated Racine Lutneran 22-25, 25-22, 15-9 Parker leaders: Aces—Jayda Schober 7, Kendall Buehl 6. Kills— Schober 47, Kylee Skrzypchak 37. Assists—Sydney Pajerski 94. Digs—Schober 53. Blocks—Brooke Payne 8, Schober 7

BOYS SOCCER Parker loses twice at Watertown tournament ${f WATERTOWN}-$

Janesville Parker's boys

over the Lake County Captains.

soccer team played two good halves of soccer at the Watertown Invitational on Saturday but a **DELAVAN**—Jayda lack of offense led to two

losses. Lake Geneva Badger blanked the Vikings 10-0 in the first game and host Watertown was a 9-0 winner in the second game. Parker trailed 3-0 at half to Badger and 2-0 to Watertown but the wheels fell off in the second half in both games.

"In the first game, we were without three starters," Parker coach Zach Pratt said.

"And in the second game, we lost an additional two starters by the end of the first half, so we were playing everyone from our bench in the second half.

"But, I was happy with the way our bench players were able to step up and play with a high intensity throughout both games todav.'

Parker (0-6) hosts East Troy in a nonconference match Monday.

RESULTS SATURDAY

BADGER 10, PARKER 0 0 0 7 Badger Parker saves--Brennan Lovell 13

WATERTOWN 9, PARKER 0

BRIEFS

Watertown

Compiled from staff reports

Setting record straight on HOF tix

Tickets for the upcoming Janesville Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony have the wrong day of the

week listed for the event. The event is being held on Thursday, Oct. 7, not Sat-

urday, Oct. 7 as is stated on the tickets.

Snappers close out 2021 with win EASTLAKE, Ohio—The Beloit Snappers finished the 120-game 2021 season on Sunday with a 5-3 win

It was the final game the Snappers played under the franchise name. A new name is scheduled to be announced this fall. The Snappers pieced together four straight two-out hits, plating two runs in the top of the first inning.

going of his start, finishing with 52/3 innings and three earned runs. Beloit added to its lead in the top of the sixth with three runs on four straight hits again. Up 5-0, the Snap-

Snappers' starter George Soriano dealt in the early

pers gave up three runs in the sixth inning to Lake County, closing the gap to two runs. The Captains made one final push in the bottom of the ninth inning. Lake County loaded the bases with no outs against Snappers' closer Tyler Mitzel who struck out José Tena and forced Jhonkensy Noel to ground into a season ending 5-4-3 double play and securing

the win for the Snappers. Beloit ends the 2021 season at 55-65. Lake County finishes 66-55. Connor Scott, Bennett Hostetler, and

Troy Johnston each had two-hit efforts in the win.

Vikings/Parker unable to score

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several good, sustained drives, but wasn't able to find the end zone.

Milton added what appeared to be the game-clinching score with 1:56 left to play when Jack Campion found pay dirt from 15 yards out on a direct snap.

A few plays earlier, Campion called his own number on the same play to convert a fourth-and-1 from the Red Hawk 33 and keep the drive alive.

Campion's statistics line showed just five carries for 36 yards. But as is often the case in football, the stats didn't necessarily tell the whole story: Those two touches for Campion were two of the most important plays of the game.

Campion said, "The coaches had confidence in

me, and me and my teammates executed, Campion said."

Milton coach Rodney Wedig said his team had to make some adjustments at halftime to clean up some of the penalties and other unforced errors.

"It was a bit of a slog there in the first half," Wedig said. Milton travels to

Watertown next week. Parker will meet Craig at Monterey Stadium in the highly anticipated annual Battle for the Monterey

MILTON 17, **JANESVILLE PARKER 0**

Scoring—M: Brayden Bastian 11 pass to Brogan McIntyre (Kick failed), M: Colton Conway 23 FG.

M: Jack Campion 15 run (Bastian

Statistics-First downs: P 7, M 10. Rushing: P 20-113; M 31-114. Yards passing: P 87; M 58. Passes: P 33-12-0-; M 13-7-1. Fumbles-lost: P 1-1; M 0-0. Penalties-yards: P 10-80; M 10-85.

Craig swimmers mix things up in dual meet victory over Parker

■ Cougars start getting into postseason mindset in meet against rival Parker

By Art Kabelowsky

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JANESVILLE

This was an intracity rivalry, a battle for bragging rights and a David-vs.-Goliath scenario all

Mostly, though, Friday's Big Eight Conference girls swimming dual meet between Craig and Parker was a lot of fun-and as close to normal as either team has seen in a while.

Craig, which fields a team of 44 swimmers, won nine of 11 events and scored a 113-57 victory at home over Parker, which had 13 swimmers in the pool Fri-

Craig coach Jen Punzel said she used swimmers in a lot of events they normally didn't

She had a lesson to teach her team with conference and WIAA competition right around the corner.

'Our goal tonight was to have all our (varsity) girls finish in the top five in every event because that's how far the scoring goes. And we did that," Punzel said. "It's important for them to learn that every swim matters. You can win every event and still lose the meet. That's just math."



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Janesville Craig's Ally Donagan competes in the 200-yard freestyle during their crosstown dual girls swim meet against Janesville Parker on Friday.

Craig's Kadence Woods.

After helping the Cougars open the meet by winning the 200-yard medley relay in 1 minute, 58.80 seconds, she held off Amber Schoville by .08 seconds in the 50 freestyle, winning in 26.47 seconds.

After winning the sprint, Woods swam in the night's longest race, the 500 freestyle, and finished second in 5:52.80. behind teammate Natalie Blank

"Natalie is such a hard worker, and it paid off—this was four seconds better than her best time," said Punzel, adding that 12 Craig

personal bests Friday.

Woods said she hadn't swum the 50 and 500 freestyle races in the same meet before.

"But I do swim in a lot of events," she said.

"She's like my jackknife-I can use her in anything," Punzel said of Woods, who also swam on the winning 200 freestyle relay

Craig also got four victories from Izzy Walter, who won the 100 freestyle (59.15) and 100 backstroke (1:22.22) and swam on the winning 200 medley and 200 freestyle relays.

Dakota Reece also won four Living proof of that plan was swimmers achieved two-year times for Craig, in both relays

and the 200 individual medley (2:20.93) and 100 breaststroke (1:11.99), and Ally Donagan won the 200 freestyle (2:08.00) and 100 butterfly (1:05.31) and anchored the medley relay.

Parker's standout performer was Tadyn McCann, who was part of the Vikings' only two event victories.

She won the 100 backstroke in 1:05.23 and anchored the winning 400 freestyle relay (4:00.23) to close the meet.

"My team gave me a good head start," McCann said of the 400 freestyle relay, where she held off Donagan in the final leg.

McCann added that the 100

backstroke is her strongest event, and her time was "by far my best of the season."

It was the first time Craig and Parker competed in the same pool since fall 2019. Last year's fall season was pushed to an alternate season in the spring for some Big Eight Conference

"I've been swimming with a lot of these girls (from both schools) since I was too young to remember," McCann said.

"It's so much fun to get the chance to compete again."

JANESVILLE CRAIG 113, JANESVILLE PARKER 57

200-yard medley relay—1, Craig (Izzy Walter, Dakota Reece, Kadence Woods, Ally Donagan), 1:50.80; 2, Craig (Savhanna Stecker, Natalie Blank, Maya Van Berkum, Vetravira Prisch 2:08.15 Katarina Dries), 2:08.15.

200 freestyle—1, Donagan, JC, 2:02.41; 2, Tadyn McCann, JP, 2:08.00; 3, Kendal Richard. 2:10.37.

200 individual medley-1, Reece, JC, 2:20.93; 2, Kyley Evens, JP, 2:28.78; 3, Natalie Blank, JC, 2:33.32.

50 freestyle—1. Woods, JC. :26.47: 2. Amber Schoville, JP, :26.55; 3, Stecker, JC, :27.99. **100 butterfly**—1, Donagan, JC, 1:05.31;

2, Katie Leach, JP, 1:08.76l 3, Van Berkum, 100 freestyle-1, Walter, JC, :59.15; 2, Richard, JC, 1:00.14; 3, Schoville, JP, 1:00.89 500 freestyle-1, Blank, JC, 5:48.35; 2,

Woods, JC, 5:52.80; 3, Arambula-Etchell,

200 freestyle relay—1, Craig (Walter, Richard, Woods, Reece), 1:45.53; 2, Parker (Evans, McCann, Leach, Schoville), 1:46.84; 3, Craig (Van Berkum, Lilly Warren, Aria Clark, Claire Decker), 1:58.38.

100 backstroke—1, McCann, JP, 1:05.23; 2, Evans, JP, 1:09.92; 3, Walter, JC, 1:10.64.

100 breaststroke—1, Reece, JC, 1:11.99; 2, Annika Wargowske, JC, 1:24.45; 3, Van Berkum, JC, 1:24.85.

freestyle relay-1, Parker (Leach, Schoville, Evans, McCann), 4:00.23; 2, Craig (Katarina Dries, Richard, Blank, Donagan), 4:03.47; 3, Craig (Stecker, Warren, Wargows-

AREA PREP FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

Brodhead/Juda dominates Platteville

Gazette staff

BRODHEAD

Aidyn Vondra rushed for 138 yards and three touchdowns, leading a 392yard rushing attack that carried the unbeaten Brodhead/Juda football team to a 43-0 victory over Platteville in Southwest Wisconsin Conference play.

Vondra scored on runs of 11, 23 and 75 yards as the Cardinals (5-0, 3-0 Southwest Wisconsin) opened a 35-0 halftime lead over the Hillmen.

rushing scores and totaled 98 yards, and Brady Rosheiser ran for 90 yards and one score.

The Brodhead/Juda defense held Platteville to minus-6 rushing yards, 64 total yards and five first downs.

Cole Hoesly completed three of his four passes for 68 yards to help the Cardinals total 460 yards of offense.

Brodhead/Juda travels to Spring Green to play River Valley on Friday night.

BRODHEAD/JUDA 43. PLATTEVILLE 0

Platteville......0 0 0 0 - 0 Brodhead/Juda.....6 0 0 0 - 43 Scoring: BrJ—Ayden Vondra 11 run (Cole Hoesly kick). BrJ—Gage Boegli 66 run (Hoesly kick). BrJ—Brady Roshheisen 4 run (run failed). BrJ— Vondra 23 run (Hoesly kick). BrJ— Boegli 2 run (Boegli run). BrJ—Vondra 75 run (kick failed), Br I-Safety, 15. Rushes-yards-P 23-(minus-6); BrJ 41-392. Yards passing—P 70; BrJ 68. Passes—P 14-6-0; BrJ 4-3-0.

Berghorn's 4 TDs lead Badger past Elkhorn

Fumbles-lost-P 0-0; BrJ 1-1. Penal-

ties-yards-P 1-11; BrJ 5-45.

LAKE GENEVA-Cole Berghorn spearheaded a 372-yard rushing attack, picking up 228 yards and

four touchdowns on 18 carries to lead Lake Geneva Badger to a 42-21 victory over Elkhorn in Southern Lakes Conference play Fri-

Berghorn opened the scoring with a 6-yard run, and then helped the Badgers (4-1 overall, 3-0 Southern Lakes) build a 42-7 lead with scoring runs of 66, 41 and 28 yards. $Badger totaled\,398\,yards$

added 110 yards rushing with one touchdown. Quarterback Kegan

of offense as Jacob Needle

Gage Boegli added two Huber ran for Badger's

Tyler Etten led Elkhorn (2-2, 1-2) with 127 yard rushing and one touchdown, and Connor Lom added 76 vards and another score.

LG BADGER 42, ELKHORN 21

....0 7 0 14 — 217 21 7 7 — 42 Scoring: LGB-Cole Berghorn 6 run (kick good). LGB—Jacob Needle 53 run (run failed). E—Connor Lom 11 run (kick good). LGB—Kegan Huber 14 run (run good). LGB—Berghorn 66 run (kick good). LGB—Berghorn 41 run (kick good). LGB—Berghorn 28 run (kick good). E—Tyler Etten 32 run

(kick good). E-2 run (kick good).

Statistics: First downs-E 14,
LGB 17. Rushes-yards-E 49-210; LGB 40-372. Yards passing—E 27; LGB 26. Passes—E 7-2-2; LGB 3-2-0. Fumbles-lost—E 1-0; LGB 3-1. Penalties-yards—E 3-30; LGB 4-35.

Westosha Central rolls to 42-0 win over Comets PADDOCK LAKE-

Jakob Simmons broke the 1,000-yard rushing mark to spark a big first half Friday that carried the Westosha Central football team to a 42-0 victory over Delavan-Darien.

Westosha (3-2 overall, 1-2 Southern Lakes Conference) opened a 35-0 halftime lead over the Comets (2-3, 0-3).

Delavan-Darien host Union Grove Friday night.

Clinton forced to forfeit game to Pardeeville

CLINTON - Clinton was forced to call off Friday's scheduled Eastern Suburban Conference football game against Pardeeville due to what Pardeeville athletic director Alex Hammerschmidt attributed to a COVID-19 issue with Clinton.

Pardeeville was able to quickly switch to play Shiocton on Friday after Shiocton's game against Weyauwega-Fremont was called off due to COVID-19

Shiocton took a 27-0 victory over Pardeeville.

Columbus forfeits game to Walworth Big Foot

The Columbus football team was forced to call off its Friday Capitol Conference game against Walworth Big Foot for officially unspecified reasons.

Big Foot was awarded a 2-0 forfeit victory. The Chiefs travel to play Horicon-Hustisford on Friday night.

Lodi stays unbeaten with win over Turner

LODI-The Lodi football team, ranked third in Division 4 by Wissports .net, kept its unbeaten record intact with a 24-6 victory over Beloit Turner on Friday night.

The Blue Devils (5-0, 3-0 Capitol Conference) also are ranked No. 6 among state midsized schools by The Associated Press.

Turner (2-3, 0-3) halted two Lodi drives on turnovers in the first half, with a fumble recovery by Nate Pozzani and an interception by Cam Combs.

Turner forced two more turnovers later on, but Lodi used its defense to maintain control, taking a 10-0 halftime lead and making it 17-0 on a 32-yard run in the third quarter.

The Trojans scored on a 93-yard pass from Sean Fogel to Emmanuel Galvan on a third-and-24 play in the third quarter.

McFarland takes a 28-14 victory over Whitewater

WHITEWATER-Caden Quelle scored three times on rushing plays and Travis Zadra added a TD run Friday to lead the McFarland football team to a 28-14 victory over Whitewater in Rock Valley Conference play.

The Spartans (2-3, 2-1 Rock Valley) broke away from a 7-6 halftime lead with two third-quarter touchdowns.

Whitewater (1-4, 0-3) trimmed the lead to 21-14 with 9 minutes, 20 seconds remaining on a touchdown catch by Marcus DePorter, but Quelle capped a long drive with a touchdown run with less than 2 minutes remaining to lock up McFarland's victory.

Fennimore tops Parkview/Albany

FENNIMORE-The Fennimore football team picked up its first Southwest Wisconsin Athletic League victory Friday with a 56-22 victory over winless Orfordville Parkview/ Albany.

Fennimore improved to 2-3 overall and 1-2 in SWAL play. Parkview/Albany fell to 0-5 and 0-3.

Craig/Cougars get hard-fought win

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the break.

The third quarter belonged to Craig. The Cougars took the lead for good at 21-14 on Schaffner's 39-yard TD reception and pushed the margin to 28-14 with 2:28 left in the third on Costello's 22-yard scoring strike from Klietz.

After a fumble on the ensuing kickoff, Klietz made it 35-14 when he kept the ball on an option play from a yard out with 1:02 left in the quarter.

"We definitely liked the looks we had in trips (formation)," Craig coach Adam Bunderson said. "We have five or six guys that can catch the ball and do stuff, and you saw that tonight.

"And again, the one thing I've learned with

no quit in them. That's what makes this win so special. We got down 14-0 again, but nobody hung their heads or pouted. They just kept playing hard and good things started happening."

this team is that there is

Craig plays crosstown rival Janesville Parker (1-4, 0-3) next Friday at Monterey.

CRAIG 35, OREGON 21

Oregon 7 7 0 7-21 Janesville Craig 0 13 22 0-35 Scoring summary: O-Teague Szudy 4 run (Joe Roemer kick). O-Austin Saunders 1 run (Roemer kick). C-Caleb Brager 72 pass from Hunter Klietz (Lily Rick kick). C—Jacob Costello 1 run (kick failed). C—Jake Schaffner 39 pass from Klietz (Owen Shucha pass from Klietz). C-Costello 22 pass from Klietz (Rick kick). C-Klietz 1 run (Rick kick). O-Saunders 22

Statistics: First downs-0 19, C 21. Rushes-O 40-254, C 31-120. Yards passing-O 43, C 304. Passes-0 8-4-1, C 34-24-0, Fumbles-0 3-2, C 1-0. Penalties - O 3-30, C 8-40.

Golf/Craig golfer cards record round

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regional meet here (Riverside) in a couple of weeks, that's a good sign."

Milton was led by Hannah Dunk, who finished fifth overall with a 2-over par 73.

Craig and Parker compete in the Big Eight Conference meet Thursday at Evansville.

> Parker Invitational At Riverside (Par 71)

TEAM SCORES

Middleton 308, Union Grove 317,

353, Mukwonago 361, Janesville Craig 367, Jefferson 369, Lake Geneva Badger 373. Janesville Parker 375, Verona 400, Edgerton 435, Stoughton 444, Beloit Memorial, Madison La Follette and Madison Memorial incomplete MEDAL LEADERS 1. Mya Nicholson (JC) 69; 2. Norah Roberts (UG) 69; 3. Kylie

Westosha Central 317, Milton 334 The Prairie School 341, Sun Prairie

Walker (WC) 70; 4. Ellie Frisch (Midd) 72; 5. Hannah Dunk (Mil) 73; 6. Ellen Close (Midd) 75; 7. Sarah Ramsden (BM) 76
OTHER AREA RESULTS

Craig—Lauren Dammen 85; Es-ther Jung 98; Josie Thomsen 115 Parker—Bailey Carlson 87; Sarah Zimmerman 88; Madelyn Olson 99; McKenna Haenel 101

Milton-Molly Jaeggi 81; Bethany Vidruk 89; Sara Kronberg 91

NFC NORTH ROUNDUP

Joseph's missed kick sends Vikings to 34-33 loss in Arizona, 0-2 start

Gazette wire services

GLENDALE, ARIZ.

The Vikings started the 2020 season 1-5 because of two onepoint losses. They have been outscored by four points in their first two games of 2021, but they are 0-2, heading home to face a quarterback they've never beaten in

seven tries, because of a one- Sunday against Russell Wilson "a big, wide hole" open to his left. pair of runs to gain another first point loss they will rue for a long

Greg Joseph missed a 37-yard field goal wide right as time expired, giving the Cardinals a 34-33 win over the Vikings on cago Bears clinging to a three-Sunday at State Farm Stadium. The Vikings' home opener is next

and the Seahawks.

Fields leads Bears to win over Bengals in relief of Dalton

On third-and-9 with the Chipoint lead Sunday afternoon at Soldier Field, Justin Fields saw

off, slid through the grasp of Cincinnati Bengals defensive Montgomery followed with a being evaluated.

The rookie quarterback took down, and the Bears held on for a 20-17 victory.

Fields will have a lot to corend Trey Hendrickson and beat rect from his first extended NFL defensive end Cam Sample to the outing after he played the entire first-down marker with 2 min- second half because of Andy Dalutes, 45 seconds to play. David ton's knee injury, which still is

Crew drops series finale to Cubs

Milwaukee's magic number to clinch NL Central remains at 3

By Tom Haudricourt

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MILWAUKEE

The Chicago Cubs, who had served as the Milwaukee Brewers' punching bag all season, finally punched back Sunday.

Having lost 11 consecutive games to the Brewers and 15 of the previous 18 meetings this season, the sagging Cubs took advantage of one last chance to stop the madness, rallying for five runs in the eighth inning to pull out a 6-4 victory at American Family Field.

By finally losing to the Cubs and St. Louis remaining white-hot with an 8-7 victory over San Diego, the Brewers' magic number for clinching the NL Central crown remained at three. They will need no help lowering it over the next four days because the Cardinals, winners of eight in a row and 10 of 11, come to town for a four-game series beginning Monday night.

"It's pretty simple. We've got to beat this team twice to do it," Brewers manager Craig Counsell said. "That's the mission in front of us; that's the next challenge.

"It's right in front of us. They're playing great baseball, so we'll have to tackle that. But enjoy that we get to try to do it against the Cardinals."

The last time the Cardinals were in town, on Sept. 3-5, the Brewers lost the series opener but won the last two games, including a stunning walk-off grand slam by Daniel Vogelbach. Brewers starting pitcher Eric Lauer, noting that outcome, said, "I think we had something to do with them getting on a run here because I think we kind of lit a fire under their (butts) a little bit with the way we did them last time.

"But, yeah, it's that atmosphere and feel of the game that we strive for and play for. It's the most fun baseball you can play, so everyone wants to be in there, looks forward to it and obviously wants to win the

How unusual was it for the Brewers to have an eighth-inning meltdown by the bullpen? They had a 67-3 record this season when leading after seven innings.

The game turned on an epic at-bat in the top of the eighth. Pinch-hitter Willson Contreras stayed alive by fouling off eight two-strike pitches finally walked him on the 14th pitch.

a game-tying homer off Boxberger retiring Jace Peterson on a fly to in the seventh inning in a game the deep center. Brewers went on to win, 6-4.

That prolonged at-bat took the starch out of Boxberger, who surrendered a game-tying double on a first-pitch changeup to Matt Duffy, then a go-ahead double on a firstpitch slider to Frank Schwindel. That would be all for Boxberger, who yielded to Jandel Gustave.

After Gustave issued a walk to David Bote, Patrick Wisdom snapped out of a strike-out funk (seven in two games) with a booming three-run home run to center, giving the Cubs a 6-2 lead.

"It was a great at-bat by Contreras," Counsell said. "I don't know that it took anything out of (Boxberger) but he made two pitches, kind of over the middle of the plate.



Associated Press

Milwaukee Brewers pitcher Eric Lauer tags out Chicago's Rafael Ortega after catching him in a rundown during the fifth inning Sunday in Milwaukee.

CHICAGO CUBS 6, MILWAUKEE 4

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Duffy 3b	412	1	Wong 2b	521	1
Schwindel 1b	512	1	Escobar 3b-1b	211	1
Wick p	000	0	Yelich If	501	2
Rucker p	000	0	Narváez c	501	0
Bote 2b	310	0	Urías ss	300	0 (
Wisdom If	511	3	Peterson rf	501	0
Hoerner ss	400	0	Vogelbach 1b	201	0
T.Thompson rf	311	1	Cousins p	000	0 (
Ortega cf	300	0	Boxberger p	000	0 (
Romine c	300	0	Gustave p	000	0 (
K.Thompson p	000	0	Lopes ph	100	0 (
Sampson p	100	0	Sánchez p	000	0 (
Morgan p	000	0	Bradley Jr. cf	310	0 (
Contreras ph	010	0	Lauer p	100	0 (
Heuer p	000	0	Strickland p	000	0 (
Rivas ph-1b	101	0	Reyes 3b	101	0
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Heuer	1		0	0	0	0	0
Wick		2-3	2	2	2	3	1
Rucker S,1-1		1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Milwaukee							
Lauer	5	1-3	1	1	1	3	6
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Cousins H,7	1		0	0	0	1	2
Boxberger L,5-4 BS,4-8	0		2	3	3	1	0
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Thompson (Lauer), Sampson (Urías). WP_Wick Umpires_Home, Tony Randazzo; First, Nestor Ceja; Second, Scott Barry; Third, Chad Whitson. T_3:46. A_34,213 (41,900).

after that and they hit them pretty hard. So, credit to Contreras. He had a nice at-bat."

The Brewers peeled two runs off the lead in the ninth on a two-out single by Christian Yelich and got the go-ahead run to the plate in Luis Urías, who drew a walk from Rowan from reliever Brad Boxberger, who Wick to load the bases. Michael Rucker took over for the Cubs at that The previous night, Contreras hit point and finally ended the game by

> Cubs "opener" Keegan Thompson pitched only two innings and didn't allow a run, but the Brewers had their chances. Kolten Wong reached on an error by first baseman Schwindel to open the bottom of the first and Eduardo Escobar drew a walk, but Yelich bounced into a force and Omar Narváez grounded into a double play in which Yelich was caught time in two games. in a rundown between first and second without Wong trying to score from third

With one down in the Brewers second, Peterson singled to left and Vogelbach walked. Jackie Bradley Jr. grounded into a force at second but Thompson nicked Lauer with a pitch to load the bases.

That threat ended when Wong He definitely gave us a shot."

grounded out to first. Narváez grounded into another double play in the fifth, and it wasn't the greatest day for clutch hitting by the Brewers, who went 2-for-11 with runners in scoring position while leaving 11 men on base.

'We didn't get the 'next' hit," Counsell said. "That, to me, was as much the story of the game as anything. The first six innings, not getting the extra hit. We scored two (in the fifth) but I thought we had chances for much more and we didn't capitalize on any of those opportunities.

'So, when 'Box' came in the game, it's a one-run game and not much margin for error. We had a chance to definitely put some space between us in that game."

Lauer (1.83 ERA in his last 13 outings) cruised through the first four innings, allowing only a one-out walk to Austin Romine in the third. Pitcher Adrian Sampson bunted him to second but Lauer struck out Duffy to strand him.

Both Lauer's no-hit bid and shutout were spoiled with one swing of the bat in the fifth with two down. He made a mistake with an 0-2 fastball and Trayce Thompson sent it out to left field for his first majorleague homer since 2018.

The Brewers responded in the bottom of the inning, beginning with a leadoff walk by Jackie Bradley, Jr., who was 1 for his last 34 and 0 for 18. After Lauer struck out trying to bunt, Wong sent a booming double into right-center to score Bradley all the way from first base to tie it.

When Lauer walked Duffy with ne down in the sixth Counsell decided it was time for a new pitcher and summoned reliever Hunter Strickland. Schwindel dumped a blooper over first baseman Vogelbach for a hit that sent Duffy to third.

After Strickland whiffed Bote, Schwindel swiped second to put two runners in scoring position. But that's where they stayed as Wisdom also went down swinging for the third time in the game and seventh "I thought (Lauer) pitched really

well; five really strong innings," Counsell said. "Hunter came in and did a nice job in the sixth. The pitcher (reliever Adrian Sampson) gave him a pretty tough at-bat, long at-bat (before striking out). As you get tired, maybe the command starts to waver a little bit, but a great job.

Major League Baseball AMERICAN LEAGUE

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	w	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
Tampa Bay	92	58	.613			4-6	L-2	47-28	45-30
Boston	86	65	.570	6½	_	7-3	W-5	47-29	39-36
Toronto	84	65	.564	71/2	_	7-3	W-2	43-31	41-34
New York	83	67	.553	9	1½	5-5	L-2	42-33	41-34
Baltimore	47	102	.315	441/2	37	2-8	L-3	23-51	24-51
Central Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
Chicago	85	64	.570	_	_	5-5	W-1	49-27	36-37
Cleveland	73	74	.497	11	10	5-5	W-2	36-36	37-38
Detroit	72	78	.480	131/2	121/2	7-3	W-2	39-36	33-42
Kansas City	67	82	.450	18	17	5-5	L-1	36-39	31-43
Minnesota	65	85	.433	201/2	191/2	3-7	L-2	34-40	31-45
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	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
Houston	88	61	.591	_	_	7-3	W-1	47-28	41-33
Oakland	82	67	.550	6	2	7-3	W-5	40-34	42-33
Seattle	80	69	.537	8	4	5-5	W-1	42-33	38-36
Los Angeles	72	77	.483	16	12	3-7	L-3	38-37	34-40
Texas	55	94	.369	33	29	4-6	L-1	33-42	22-52
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Atlanta	77	70	.524			4-6	W-1	37-36	40-34
Philadelphia	76	73	.510	2	3½	5-5	L-1	42-32	34-41
New York	73	77	.487	51/2	7	3-7	W-1	44-33	29-44
Miami	63	86	.423	15	161/2	5-5	W-1	39-36	24-50
Washington	61	88	.409	17	181/2	3-7	W-1	35-43	26-45
			C	entral I	Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB	WCGB	L10	Str	Home	Away
z-Milwaukee	91	58	.611	_	_	7-3	L-1	42-32	49-26
St. Louis	79	69	.534	11½	_	9-1	W-8	42-33	37-36
Cincinnati	77	73	.513	141/2	3	3-7	L-2	39-35	38-38
Chicago	67	83	.447	241/2	13	3-7	W-1	39-36	28-47
Pittsburgh	56	93	.376	35	231/2	6-4	L-1	34-41	22-52
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z-San Francis	co	97	53 .64	17 _		7-3	L-1	49-26	48-27
z-Los Angele	s :		54 .64			8-2	W-2	52-23	44-31
San Diego		76	73 .51	10 201/2	31/2	2-8	L-3	44-31	32-42
Colorado		70	79 .47	70 261/2	91/2	7-3	L-1	45-27	25-52
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RESULTS SATURDAY

Boston 9, Baltimore 3 Cleveland 11, N.Y. Yankees 3 Toronto 6, Minnesota 2 Detroit 4, Tampa Bay 3 Texas 2, Chicago White Sox 1 Kansas City 8, Seattle 1 Arizona 6, Houston 4, 10 innings Oakland 3, L.A. Angels 1

RESULTS SUNDAY Detroit 2, Tampa Bay 0 Boston 8, Baltimore 6 Cleveland 11, N.Y. Yankees 1 Houston 7, Arizona 6 Chicago White Sox 7, Texas 2 Oakland 3, L.A. Angels 2, 10 innings

GAMES MONDAY Kansas City (Singer 4-10) at Cleveland (McKenzie 5-6), 3:10 p.m., 1st

Chicago White Sox (Rodón 12-5) at Detroit (Manning 4-6), 5:40 p.m. Baltimore (Means 5-7) at Philadelphia (Suárez 6-4), 6:05 p.m. Texas (Alexy 2-0) at N.Y. Yankees

(Cortes Jr. 2-2), 6:05 p.m. Kansas City (TBD) at Cleveland (TBD), 6:10 p.m., 2nd game

Toronto (Ray 12-5) at Tampa Bay (Baz 0-0), 6:10 p.m. Houston (Valdez 10-5) at L.A. Angels (Barria 2-3), 8:38 p.m.
Seattle (Anderson 6-9) at Oakland (Manaea 10-9), 8:40 p.m.
GAMES TUESDAY

Kansas City at Cleveland, 5:10 p.m. Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 5:40 p.m. Baltimore Philadelphia.

6:05 p.m. Texas at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m. N.Y. Mets at Boston, 6:10 p.m. Toronto at Tampa Bay, 6:10 p.m. Houston at L.A. Angels, 8:38 p.m. Seattle at Oakland, 8:40 p.m **NATIONAL LEAGUE**

RESULTS SATURDAY L.A. Dodgers 5, Cincinnati 1 Colorado 6, Washington 0 Pittsburgh 6, Miami 3 St. Louis 3, San Diego 2 Milwaukee 6, Chicago Cubs 4 Philadelphia 5, N.Y. Mets 3 Arizona 6, Houston 4, 10 innings San Francisco 2, Atlanta 0 RESULTS SUNDAY

Washington 3, Colorado 0 L.A. Dodgers 8, Cincinnati 5 Miami 6, Pittsburgh 5, 10 innings Houston 7, Arizona 6 St. Louis 8, San Diego 7 Chicago Cubs 6, Milwaukee 4 Atlanta 3, San Francisco 0 N.Y. Mets 3, Philadelphia 2 **GAMES MONDAY**

Pittsburgh (Peters 1-2) at Cincin nati (Gutierrez 9-6), 5:40 p.m. Washington (Fedde 7-9) at Miami (Luzardo 5-8), 5:40 p.m. Baltimore (Means 5-7) at Philadel-

phia (Suárez 6-4), 6:05 p.m. St. Louis (Woodford 2-3) at Milwaukee (Peralta 9-4), 6:40 p.m. Atlanta (Ynoa 4-5) at Arizona (TBD), 8:40 p.m.

GAMES TUESDAY

Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 5:40 p.m.

Washington at Miami, 5:40 p.m. Baltimore at Philadelphia, Baltimore N.Y. Mets at Boston, 6:10 p.m. Minnesota at Chicago Cubs

6:40 p.m. St. Louis at Milwaukee, 6:40 p.m. L.A. Dodgers at Colorado, 7:40 p.m. Atlanta at Arizona, 8:40 p.m. San Francisco at San Diego

Major League Leaders

NATIONAL LEAGUE

BATTING T.Turner, Los Angeles. .316; Soto, Washington, .315; B.Harp-er, Philadelphia, .313; N.Castellanos, Cincinnati, .310; A.Frazier, San Diego, .307; Winker, Cincinnati, .305; Segura, Philadelphia, .300; Crawford, San Francisco, .299; Riley, Atlanta, .298; F.Freeman, Atlanta, .297.

RBI_Duvall, Atlanta, 105; Arenado, St. Louis, 99; Albies, Atlanta, 94; LAquilar, Miami, 93: M.Machado, San Diego, 93; Tatis Jr., San Diego, 92; Votto, Cincinnati, 89; Riley, Atlanta, 89; Alonso, New York, 87; Gold-schmidt, St. Louis, 87. HOME RUNS Tatis Jr., San Diego,

39; Duvall, Atlanta, 36; Muncy, Los Angeles, 34: B.Harper, Philadelphia, 33; Alonso, New York, 33; Arenado, St. Louis, 32; Votto, Cincinnati, 31; Báez, New York, 31; F.Freeman, Atlanta, 30; N.Castellanos, Cincinnati, 29: Rilev. Atlanta. 29.

PITCHING_J.Urías, Los Angeles, 18-3; Wainwright, St. Louis, 16-7; Scherzer, Los Angeles, 15-4; Buehler, Los Angeles, 14-4; Gausman, San Francisco, 14-6; Hendricks, Chicago, 14-6; Wheeler, Philadelphia, 14-9; Morton, Atlanta, 13-6; Mahle, Cincinnati, 12-5; Suter, Milwaukee, 12-5. ERA_Scherzer, Los Angeles, 2.08;

Burnes, Milwaukee, 2.34; Buehler, Los Angeles, 2.39; Woodruff, Mil-waukee, 2.55; Gausman, San Francisco, 2.78; Wheeler, Philadelphia, 2.83; Stroman, New York, 2.88; Wainwright, St. Louis, 2.89; Musgrove, San Diego, 2.99; J.Urías, Los Angeles,

STRIKEOUTS_Wheeler, phia, 231: Scherzer, Los Angeles, 226; Burnes, Milwaukee, 221; Aa.Nola, Philadelphia, 211; Gausman, San Francisco, 208; Woodruff, Milwau-kee, 198; Morton, Atlanta, 195; Buehler, Los Angeles, 194; Mahle, Cincinnati, 192; Alcantara, Miami, 189. AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING_Guerrero Jr., Toronto, .321; Brantley, Houston, .315; Gurriel, Houston, .314; T.Hernández, Toronto, .303; Ti.Anderson, Chicago, .301; Bogaerts, Boston, .301; N.Lopez, Kansas City, .301; Mullins, Baltimore, .301; Tucker, Houston, .297; Bichette, Toronto, .294; France, Seattle, .294. RBI_J.Abreu, Chicago, 113; S.Pe-

rez, Kansas City, 113; T.Hernández, Toronto, 106; Devers, Boston, 105; Guerrero Jr., Toronto, 105; Olson, Oakland, 103: Meadows, Tampa Bay 100; Alvarez, Houston, 98; Bichette, Toronto, 97; Seager, Seattle, 96. HOME RUNS_Guerrero Jr., Toronto,

46; S.Perez, Kansas City, 45; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 44; Semien, Toronto, 40; Gallo, New York, 37: Olson, Oakland, 36; J.Ramírez, Cleveland, 35; Judge, New York, 35: B.I owe, Tampa Bay, 34: Devers, Boston, 34; Seager, Seattle, 34: Haniger, Seattle, 34. PITCHING_G.Cole, New York, 15-8;

Matz, Toronto, 13-7; Ryu, Toronto, 13-9; Bassitt, Oakland, 12-4; McCullers Jr., Houston, 12-4; Ray, Toronto, 12-5; Rodón, Chicago, 12-5; Flexen, Seattle, 12-6; Cease, Chicago, 12-7; Berríos, Toronto, 12-8.

ERA_Ray, Toronto, 2.64; G.Cole, New York, 3.03; McCullers Jr., Houston, 3.11; Bassitt, Oakland, 3.22; Berríos, Toronto, 3,45: Montas, Oakland, 3.57; Eovaldi, Boston, 3.58; Flexen, Seattle, 3.66; Giolito, Chicago, 3.70; Irvin, Oakland, 3.94. STRIKEOUTS Ray, Toronto, 233; G.

Cole, New York, 231; Cease, Chicago, 212; Giolito, Chicago, 192; Montas, Oakland, 192; Eovaldi, Boston, 188; Berríos, Toronto, 187: Manaea, Oak-176; Rodón, Chicago, 175.

No more scoreboard watching for Crew

■ Milwaukee truly in control of its destiny with Cardinals in town

By Todd Rosiak

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MILWAUKEE

With clinching the Central Division remaining No. 1 on their to-do list, the Milwaukee Brewers welcome their next opponent to American Family Field beginning Monday. And how fitting that it's

the St. Louis Cardinals.

Winners of eight in a row and 10 of 11, the Cardinals are as hot as any team in the major leagues right now after sweeping away

the wild-card contending challenge," Brewers man- these four games upcom-San Diego Padres at Busch Stadium.

You can also bet they're going to be a thorn in the Brewers' side over the next aims to delay Milwaukee's celebration plans just a little longer.

Tyler O'Neill and the Cardinals return to American Family Field on Monday for the start of a fourgame series. O'Neill has been red-hot at the plate recently, batting .339 with seven homers and 16 RBI in 16 games.

"I mean, it's pretty simple. We've got to beat this team twice to do it, and that's the mission in Milwaukee stands at 7-5

ager Craig Counsell said. ing and then a final three-"You talk about the next series is the next challenge, and it's right in front of us.

four games as St. Louis baseball, and so we'll have Brewers' most memorable to tackle that, but enjoy that we get to try to do it against the Cardinals."

The Brewers' magic number remains at three after they gave up a fivespot in the eighth inning to withstood an eighth-inning rally by the Padres to win, 8-7.

After winning two of three at American Family Field from Sept. 3-5, front of us. It's the next against St. Louis with

game series at Busch Stadium, Sept. 28-30.

The teams' last meeting "They're playing great wound up being one of the games of the season, with Daniel Vogelbach's walkoff, pinch-hit grand slam capping a five-run ninth and a miraculous 6-5 victory.

The Cardinals went the Chicago Cubs and lost, home after that and 6-4, while the Cardinals dropped two more games—this time to the Los Angeles Dodgers—to run their losing streak to

> But they've run off 10 wins in 11 games since, vaulting themselves right back into contention.

Warhawks/UW-W heads into bye 3-0

Continued from 1B

On the afternoon, the Warhawks amassed 450 yards in total offense while limiting Berry to just 198.

The Warhawks have a bye this week before beginning WIAC play at home Oct. 2 against UW-Stout.

Stout is also 3-0 entering WIAC play. The Blue Devils also have a bye after deafeating UW-Stevens Point, 45-14 on Saturday.

UW-WHITEWATER 39, BERRY (Ga,) 7

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W-Tyler Holte 33 pass from Max Maylor (Kick failed), 4:17.

W-Sam DeLany13 pass from Meylor (Kaeper Lupa kick), 5:54 W— FG 24 Lupa, 2:57.

W-Alex Peete 2 run (Lupa kick),

W-Holte 13 pass from Meylor (Lupa kick), :04.

Third quarter W—Peete 1 run (Kick failed), 3:38. Fourth quarter W-FG 32 Matt Maldonado, 7:57. B-C. Kawa 20 pass from Blake Hembree (Matthew Syverson kick),

Team statistics

First downs-B 12, W 23, Rushing yards—B 137, W 257. Passes—B 28-15-0, W 29-17-1. Fumbles-lost—B 3-2, W 0-0. Penalties-yards-B 5-51,

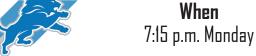
Individual leaders

Rushing: B—Josh Rogers 9-27; W—Tamir Thomas 2-68. Passing: B— Hembree 17-9-0 90 yards; W-Meylor 26-16-0 256 yards. Receiving: B-De ionde Wilson 6-47; W—Holte 3-68, Wisniewski 6-54, DeLany 3-41.

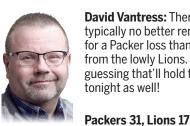
PACKERS GAMEDAY

THIS WEEK'S OPPONENT:





Where Lambeau Field, Green Bay



David Vantress: There's typically no better remedy for a Packer loss than a visit from the lowly Lions. I'm guessing that'll hold true tonight as well!

John Barry: A stunning development! I actually saw a commercial on TV today that didn't have Shaquille O'Neal

Lions 24, Packers 20

Art Kabelowsky: It's a good bet that few of the oddsmakers who've set the Packers as a double-digit favorite over Detroit had the stomach to actually sit and watch all of both teams' openers.

Packers 24, Lions 17



Tim Seeman: There will be more growing pains on defense, unfortunately, but I think the Packers offenseparticularly Aaron Jonesgets on track in this one.

Packers 30, Lions 23

PACKERS IN 2021 (0-1)

Sept. 12: L, Saints 38, Packers 3 Sept. 20: DETROIT, 7:15 p.m. Sept. 26: @ San Francisco, 7:20 p.m. Oct. 3: PITTSBURGH, 3:25 p.m. Oct. 10: @ Cincinnati, noon Oct. 17: @ Chicago, noon Oct. 24: WASHINGTON, noon Oct. 28: @ Arizona, 7:20 p.m. Nov. 7: @ Kansas City, 3:25 p.m. Nov. 14: SEATTLE, 3:25 p.m. Nov. 21: at Minnesota, noon Nov. 28: L.A. RAMS, 3:25 p.m.

Dec. 12: CHICAGO, 7:20 p.m. Dec. 19: @ Baltimore, noon Dec. 25: CLEVELAND, 3:30 p.m. Jan. 2: MINNESOTA, 7:20 p.m. Jan. 9: @ Detroit, noon

LIONS IN 2021 (0-1)

Sept. 12: L, 49ers 41, Lions 33 Sept. 20: @ Green Bay, 7:15 p.m. Sept. 26: BALTIMORE, noon Oct. 3: @ Chicago, noon Oct. 10: @ Minnesota, noon Oct. 17: CINCINNATI, noon Oct. 24: @ L.A. Rams, 3:05 p.m. Oct. 31: PHILADELPHIA, noon Nov. 14: @ Pittsburgh, noon Nov. 21: @ Cleveland, noon Nov. 25: CHICAGO, 11:30 a.m. Dec. 5: MINNESOTA, noon Dec. 12: @ Denver, 3:05 p.m. Dec. 19: ARIZONA, noon Dec. 26: @ Atlanta, noon Jan. 2: @ Seattle, 3:25 p.m. Dec. 30: GREEN BAY, noon

TV/RADIO

Steve Levy, Louis Riddick and Brian Griese will call the game with Lisa Salters reporting from the sideline for ESPN. Kevin Harlan and Tony Boselli will be on the call for Westwood One, and Wayne Larrivee and Larry McCarren will call the action on the Packers Radio Network, including affiliate WCLO 1230 AM in Janesville.

LINE

Spread: Green Bay -11.5 Money line: Green Bay -550 Detroit +430 **Over/under:** 48.5

LAST MEETING

Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers completed 26 of 33 passes for 290 yards and three touchdowns in a 31-24 victory in Detroit on Dec. 13, 2020.

THE COACHES

Detroit coach Dan Campbell is 0-1 in his first full-time NFL head coaching gig. He was 5-7 as interim coach for the Dolphins in 2015. Matt LaFleur is 28-9 in his third season as Packers coach, including 2-2 in the playoffs. His Packers teams are 6-0 after regular season losses.

LAST WEEK

Detroit nearly pulled off a stunning comeback after trailing 41-17 with two minutes left but lost to San Francisco, 41-33. The Packers lost a 38-3 laugher to New Orleans. Let us never speak of it again.

KEY STATS

■ The Packers are 102-72-7 in 181 games against the Lions. Only the Packers and Bears (200 games) and Lions and Bears (182 games) have played each other more often.

■ Since 1992, the Packers are 27-3 against the Lions in games played in Wisconsin.

■ Green Bay's 229 yards of offense in Week 1 was its lowest output since gaining 201 yards at Tampa Bay in Week 6 of 2020.

■ Former Packers running back Jamaal Williams had 110 total yards in his first game with the Lions and scored a rushing touchdown.

■ The Packers defense recorded no sacks and no turnovers against the Saints in Week 1



Burn the tape: To say the Week 1 game against New Orleans did not go to plan would be a massive, massive understate-

Two long Saints touchdown drives in the first half drained the clock and seemingly drained the Packers of the will to compete.

Head coach Matt LaFleur said it was embarrassing. Quarterback Aaron Rodgers played one of the worst games of his career, and he knew it. The defense offered little resistance.

Luckily, the Packers have a potential get-right dramatically scaled back.

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tonight against Detroit, a team that gave up almost 450 yards of offense and the only team to allow more points in Week 1 than the Packers

The shocking Week 1 result puts even more meaning on what happens today. If the Packers play the way they're expected to play, maybe fans can write off Week 1 as an aberration. But if they lose? Or even if they win but play poorly? The entire perception of the team and the expectations for the season might have to be

Pesky pride: The record book shows the Packers haven't lost to the Lions in the Matt LaFleur era, but fans shouldn't let that lull them into complacency. None of the four wins-not even the 42-21 victory in Week 2 of 2020—were easy to come by.

The Packers officially led for zero minutes and zero seconds in their sweep of the Lions in 2019, winning both games on Mason Crosby field goals as time expired. Then last season, Detroit led Green Bay 14-3 in the aforementioned game before the Packers scored 31 straight to pull away. The 2020 rematch again saw the Lions score first before the Packers overtook them and won 31-24.

Running backs: One area where the Packers could not replicate their winning formula from 2020 in the first game of 2021 was in the running

Aaron Jones and A.J. Dillon combined for just 28 yards on nine rushing attempts, about 3 yards per carry. Jones averaged better than 5 yards per run in 2020, which helped unlock the rest of Matt LaFleur's offense.

Detroit's backfield, on the other hand, had a field day. D'Andre Swift and former Packer Jamaal Williams combined for more than 200 yards of offense and a pair of touchdowns in the Lions' near-comeback against the 49ers in Week 1.



Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers threw two uncharacteristic interceptions against the New Orleans Saints last week.

Efficiency deficiency: The hyper-efficient Green Bay Packers offense of 2020 was nowhere to be found in

They gained 6.3 yards per play in 2020 but just 4.4 yards per play in Week 1 against the Saints. They were second in the NFL in 2020 in third-down conversions at 49.4% but converted just 1 of 10 in Week 1. They committed an NFL-low 11 turnovers last season but gave away three in Jacksonville, including one on their lone foray into the red zone, where they scored touchdowns on 4 out of 5 trips last season. And the Packers, who led the league in time of possession last year at 32:50 per game, only had the ball for 25:24 against New Orleans and just 7:48 of the first half.

Each of those numbers on their own are enough to lose you a game in the NFL. When they all happen at once, you lose 38-3. ■ Forgettable debut: There wasn't a lot of enthusiasm when the Packers hired Joe Barry to replace Mike Pettine as defensive coordinator, and Barry's first game

in charge did nothing to drum up any excitement. Sure, the Florida heat took a toll after the defense was on the field so much in the first half. But it's ultimately up to the players and the coordinator to earn themselves a break.

We'll see if Barry can figure out a way to mask the personnel deficiencies in the front seven (not enough speed or size up the middle apart from Kenny Clark) and put the right combination of secondary players behind them (Eric Stokes in, Kevin King out?).

This is a team that still has Super Bowl aspirations—the Saints game was just one game and it is a long season, after all but the defense will have to improve, and quickly, for the team to get to that level. -By Tim Seeman