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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Panthers stay perfect after topping Eagles

Thomson rushes for 3 scores to lead Oconto Falls

By MORGAN RODE
Sports Editor

The Oconto Falls High School football team improved to 5-0 on the season after a 36-8 victory over Menominee Indian on Sept. 17 in Oconto Falls.

The turning point of the Northwoods Conference clash came about halfway through the first quarter.

Menominee Indian started the game with the ball and was on a long drive. On a first-and-goal play, Oconto Falls forced a fumble and recovered it in the end zone.

On Oconto Falls' first offensive play, senior Dylan Thomson busted free for an 80-yard touchdown run.

"We got a lot of confidence from that. It was a big momentum swinger. It was huge for us because everyone was fired up," said Thomson.

The sequence turned out to be the theme of the contest, with Menominee Indian putting together long drives before Oconto Falls' defense buckled down. More often than not, the Panthers' offense would then go down the field and score.

Menominee Indian's second drive marched to the Oconto Falls' 18 before the Panthers made a stop on fourth down. The ensuing drive lasted four plays, with Thomson capping it with a 9-yard run.

The Panthers' defense started getting to the quarterback on the next Eagles' drive, which eventually led to a three-and-out.

Menominee Indian's defense flipped the script on the next drive, forcing a stop inside its own 5-yard line. The Eagles' offense then worked out of the shadow of its own goalpost and crossed midfield before the drive broke down. Three straight sacks not only ended the drive, but helped the hosts start at the Menominee Indian 40 for the next drive.

It was another one-play drive for the Panthers to extend the lead to



Oconto Falls' Carter Hill, left, hands off to Dylan Thomson during the team's game against Menominee Indian on Sept. 17 in Oconto Falls.

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20-0. Junior quarterback Carter Hill threw a deep ball up the left sideline that senior Isaac Raddatz pulled down and turned into a 40-yard score.

"It starts with our line, we need protection and we need holes to run through. When we passed, we got protection and that's how we got our touchdowns," said Raddatz.

A nice return from freshman Truper Wilber and penalty from Oconto Falls set the visitors up at the 40-yard line and about a minute to go in the first half.

Senior Devin Beaulieu-Morgan hit senior Andre Corn on a 26-yard pass before a penalty moved the ball back to the 28. Beaulieu-Morgan then found senior Allen Smith to put the Eagles on the 6-yard line. A pass picked up another yard but an incomplete pass in the end zone on a third-down play turned out to be the half's final play.

The Eagles forced and recovered a fumble on the Panthers' first drive of the second half, but Menominee Indian couldn't take advantage, turning the ball over on downs at their own 25.

It took Oconto Falls four plays to score, with Thomson powering in from four yards out.

Another time-consuming Eagles' drive worked the ball into Panthers' territory before the hosts made a fourth-down stop. Oconto Falls then sealed its win with a 15-play touchdown drive. Hill connected with Raddatz on a 6-yard pass to cap it.

Oconto Falls moved to 5-0 on the season and 3-0 in conference play ahead of its showdown with Coleman. The two teams are the lone unbeaten ones left in the conference.

"I think we're all hungry because, I mean Oconto Falls, the last time they were 4, 5-0, (was) 1990-something," said Thomson. "We want it, we're hungry. Coleman is our biggest game, we want to beat them really bad."

Menominee Indian got a little positive momentum built with a touchdown drive late in the fourth quarter.

Beaulieu-Morgan hit Dixon for a 54-yard touchdown pass.

"We need to finish our plays a lot more," said Dixon of the team's offense. "We're always fired up going all the way down (the field) but like our coaches said in the huddle, we kind of relax when we get in the red zone. It just comes down to staying fired up when we're in the red zone and finishing what we started."

"We just need to capitalize on a lot more drives. We hung in there but a few plays got us," said Corn. "We gotta come back stronger next week.

Menominee Indian hosts Tomahawk on Sept. 24.

Menominee Indian 0 0 0 8 -8 Oconto Falls 8 12 8 8 - 36 First quarter

OF: Dylan Thomson 80-yard run (Kody Vorpahl pass from Carter Hill). 5:08

Second quarter

OF: Thomson 9-yard run (run failed), 10:51 OF: Isaac Raddatz 40-yard pass from Hill (pass failed), 1:00

Third quarter

OF: Thomson 4-yard run (Vorpahl pass from Hill), 6:25

Fourth quarter

OF: Raddatz 6-yard pass from Hill (Skyler Dalton run), 7:56

MI: Bryce Dixon 54-yard pass from Devin Beaulieu-Morgan (Gregory Turney run), 2:00

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HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

Eggert leads Shawano to 3rd-place finish at Oconto Falls Invitational

Oconto Falls takes 4th, Bonduel 7th

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The Shawano Community High School girls golf team finished in third place behind a big day from Sophia Eggert at the Oconto Falls Invitational on Sept. 13 at River Island Golf Course in Oconto Falls.

Eggert carded an 18-hole round of 89 to lead Shawano, which had a team score of 419. The 89 for Eggert helped her tie for the top individual score on the day. The Hawks finished behind Wrightstown (396) and Marinette (399).

Oconto Falls turned in a team score of 428 to place fourth. The Panthers also had a junior varsity team in action, and that group took eighth with a score of 473.

Bonduel and Pulaski were among the other teams at the invitational. Bonduel took seventh with a mark of 442, while Pulaski's golfers accumulated a score of 508. Pulaski sent a varsity team to an invitational in Sheboygan.

Eggert fired a 44 on the front nine before a 45 on the back nine for her round of 89.

"That gave me confidence but also something to motivate me," said Eggert.

Braylyn Babino carded a round of 102 for the Hawks, while Riley Dreier fired a 107. Alli Johnson (121) was the golfer who rounded out the team score.

Shawano was down a golfer on the day, making the team's finish even more meaningful.

"Today we were a golfer short," Eggert said. "It proved that if you play your game and shoot a good score, we can still place good as a team."

"It was a big loss without our No. 1 golfer today. But after today, it showed that we could persevere as a team and have confidence to play at a higher level," said Babino, who tied for eighth as an individual.

The Oconto Falls varsity team was led by Kate Pytleski, but it was JV golfer Lexi Nelson who posted the best round of the day at 102. Both golfers finished among the invitational's 12 top golfers.

Pytleski carded a 103 to tie for the 10th spot as an individual. Nelson was one of two golfers at a 102, tied for the eighth-best round.

Danielle Darby and Kenadee Seidl each fired rounds of 107 for the Panthers' varsity team. Alexis Euclide (111) and Kloeigh Seidl (115) capped the balanced team.

"I really think that we were able to golf the way we did today was because of how close and supportive our team is," said Darby. "We all have things each of us need to work on and and struggle with, but all of us motivate each other to do our very best. I know for myself, I wouldn't be golfing as good if I didn't have my team there pushing me."

Amber Krause (114) and Gina Sconzert (115) had the next best rounds behind Nelson on the JV team. Hailey Kopke (142) and Ava Salscheider (152) capped the fivegolfer team.

It was Sarah Garside leading Bonduel on the course, posting a round of 103 to tie for 10th as an individual.

Thea Tauchen (107) and Ava Pleshek (109) had similar showings on the day, finishing the day with better scores on the back nine.

"Honestly, at first I could not hit anything, but as I kept going, it slowly got better," said Tauchen of her round. "I shot a 107, which isn't terrible and I'm pretty content with it. Personally, I need to work on my chipping more than anything."

Meghan Wondra (122) and Raina Dworniczak (123) rounded out the Bears' team.

"Since this was our first individual 18-hole meet, I think it was a great way to prepare everyone for conference and regionals that's coming up," said Pleshek. "It will also help build our confidence and stay positive for when we have to golf 18 again later in the season. Our team has a lot of room for improvement, but we make the most of it when we're out there playing."

Pulaski's team was led by Katie Fuiten's round of 118. Danika Hole-



Shawano's Sophia Eggert takes a shot during the Oconto Falls Invitational on Sept. 13 at River Island Golf Course in Oconto Falls. Eggert led the Hawks on the course and tied for the top individual score on the day.

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Maggie Jandrin (134), Savannah

Malicoat (136) and Amelia Rassmuson (139) capped the team.

HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

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GIRLS GOLF

Eggert the top individual at Bay meet

Shawano's Sophia Eggert fired a nine-hole round of 39 to earn the top individual mark at a Bay Conference meet on Sept. 16 at Mid Vallee Golf Course in De Pere.

Shawano placed fifth as a team with a score of 203. Bonduel came in seventh with a mark of 226.

Braylyn Babino shot a round of 51 for Shawano, while Riley Dreier tallied a 55. Alli Johnson (58) and Elizabeth Kary (65) capped the team.

Sarah Garside led Bonduel with a round of 52, while Thea Tauchen shot a 55. Ava Pleshek (59), Meghan Wondra (60) and Raina Dworniczak (63) filled out the team.

BOYS SOCCER

Pulaski 6

Manitowoc 2

Pulaski eased past Manitowoc in a Fox River Classic Conference match on Sept. 14 in Manitowoc.

Ben Uelmen scored a goal and assisted on a goal from Austin Lipsey to lead Pulaski. Alex Kouzov and Hayden Burkel scored unassisted goals for the Red Raiders.

Peyton Winkelman added a goal on a penalty kick for Pulaski. Jack Ryan had the team's other goal.

Chase Ambrosius and Dylan Carley each were credited with an assist for the Raiders. Mason Baker and Gaven Haldemann each spent time defending the net.

CROSS-COUNTRY

Bonduel boys 5th, girls 8th at invitational

The Bonduel boys earned a score of 119 to place fifth at the New London Invitational on Sept. 18 in New Lon-

don. The Bonduel girls took eighth.

Cooper Uelmen led the Bonduel boys with a eighth-place finish in 18 minutes, 33.8 seconds. Ben O'Brien (18:58.1) came in 15th, while Race Anvelink (20:27.3) took 35th. Ben Reisner (24:11.5) and Keaton Bahr (33:28.5) capped the five-runner team, taking 50th and 54th, respectively.

Ashlyn Kurey claimed llth in 21:31.1 to pace the Bonduel girls team. Teagan Engel (22:41.9) took 31st, while Kendra Troxel (23:26.5) was 39th. Joselyn Bohm (23:39.3) and Kaitlin Brooks (24:27.7) capped the team's top five, finishing 42nd and 53rd, respectively.

Much paces Marion girls

Bridget Much posted a time of 28:55.7 to lead three Marion girls at the New London Invitational.

Peytra Bailey (31:25.7) and Kelsey Zillmer (31:27.9) were the other two runners, taking 69th and 70th, respectively.

VOLLEYBALL

Seymour 3

Shawano O

Shawano was swept by scores of 25-15, 25-12, 25-16 in a Bay Conference match against Seymour on Sept. 16 in Seymour.

Brianna Wright recorded three of Shawano's seven attack kills on the night. Faith Passehl served five aces.

Margo Gull led the Hawks with 15 digs, while Wright and Alix Heath had seven each.

Witt-Birn 3

Bonduel 0

Bonduel dropped a Central Wisconsin Conference-East Division match to Wittenberg-Birnamwood by scores of 25-13, 25-21, 25-14 on Sept. 14 in Wittenberg.

Allaina Robaidek recorded eight

kills for Bonduel, while Brenna Hertzfeldt had five. Hailee Thompson finished with 11 assists and Macy Niles was credited with 14 digs.

FOOTBALL

Southern Door 22

Bonduel 8

Bonduel scored first but then surrendered 22 unanswered points in a Packerland Conference clash against Southern Door on Sept. 17 in Bonduel.

Louis Hrabik rushed for Bonduel's touchdown.

Noah Weier passed for 82 yards, with Gaven Vance hauling in three passes for 51 yards. Bonduel had just 196 total yards to Southern Door's 356.

Pulaski 56

Ashwaubenon 7

Pulaski rolled to a Fox River Classic Conference-North Division game against Ashwaubenon on Sept. 17 in Ashwaubenon. Pulaski is now 5-0 overall and 3-0 in conference play.

Pulaski rushed for 401 yards and seven touchdowns as a team. Jacob Doxtater finished with 144 rushing yards and two scores, while Aaron Maroszek added 128 rushing yards and two touchdowns.

Gatlin Robaidek, Maverick Cole and Aidan McDougal each had a rushing touchdown each. Derek Block threw a touchdown pass to McDougal.

Riley Lorn was credited with an interception for the Red Raiders.

GIRLS TENNIS

Shawano 7

Green Bay East 0

Shawano rolled to a Bay Conference win over Green Bay West on Sept. 16 in Green Bay.

Rylie Anderson (No. 1), Jenna

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More high school and college highlights, the recreation scoreboard, plus a video of the Bonduel Cross-Country Invitational on Sept. 14 can be found at www.newmedia-wi.com.

Ainsworth (No. 2), Sarah Carroll (No. 3) and Anna Etten (No. 4) had the singles wins for Shawano.

Kate Williams and Nicole Piantek teamed up for a win at No. 1 doubles. The No. 2 team of Elise Pyatskowit and Adison Moesch and No. 3 team of Kylie Teetzen and Kloie Boyles each won by forfeit.

Singles: No. 1: Rylie Anderson S def. Kyra Brosig, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Jenna Ainsworth S def. Zola Kambandu Schilz, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Sarah Carroll S def. Emelyn Lopez Villarreal, 6-0, 6-0; No. 4: Anna Etten S def. Rowan Clark, 6-0, 6-0; Doubles: No. 1: Kate Williams-Nicole Piantek S def. Yaquelin Lopez Segovia-Jersemy Dejesus, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Elise Pyatskowit-Adison Moesch S by forfeit, 2-0, 2-0; No. 3: Kylie Teetzen-Kloie Boyles S by forfeit, 2-0, 2-0.

Manitowoc Lincoln 4

Pulaski 3

Pulaski came up just short in a Fox River Classic Conference match against Manitowoc Lincoln on Sept. 16 in Manitowoc.

Treva Robaidek (No. 4) picked up Pulaski's lone win in singles action.

Mikalah Due and Olivia Shelly earned a tough win at No. 2 doubles, while Lucy Piczkowski and Carlee Elliott earned a win in straight sets at No. 3 doubles.

Singles: No. 1: Olivia Minikel ML def. Kelsey Waggoner, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Sophia Wergin ML def. Kylie Coel, 6-3, 6-3; No. 3: Molly Forkins ML def. Isabella Skalecki, 6-0, 6-0; No. 4: Treva Robaidek P def. London Vang, 6-0, 6-0; Doubles: No. 1: Mckenna Pleus-Hannah Dvorak ML def. Madeline Diefenthaler-Paige Vanderveren, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Mikalah Due-Olivia Shelly P def. Maddi Blaeser-Zylia Kleinfeldt, 6-4, 1-6, 10-8; No. 3: Lucy Piczkowski-Carlee Elliott P def. Morgan Kennedy-Alexis Jeske, 6-0, 6-0.



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ATHLETE PROFILE: GRACE BEYER

Shawano senior piling up top-10 finishes

The Shawano Community High School cross-country teams are enjoying fall seasons. Senior Grace Beyer has led the girls team in competition.

Beyer's top finish of the year came on Sept. 7 when she won the Chargers Invitational in Wittenberg. She posted a time of 20 minutes, 37.8 seconds.

The senior finished sixth with a time of 20:35.74 at the Terror Invite on Aug. 30 in Neenah, while placing third in 20:31.9 at the De Pere Invitational on Sept. 2 in De Pere.

Beyer took seventh in 20:45.3 at the Shawano Invitational on Sept. 11 and was fourth with a time of 20:42.3 at the Smiley Invitational on Sept. 18 in Wausau.

Q: When did your interest in cross-country begin?

A: My interest in cross-country began in fifth grade when I joined the Olga Brener running club. My mom (Jamie) and sister (Lydia) were also runners which helped me grow up in the sport.

Q: What is your favorite part about the cross-country season?

A: One thing that makes crosscountry so fun is the team. The boys and girls team practice together which builds a team comradery and we all have so much fun. One thing I also look forward to during the cross-country season is the midnight run which kicks off our season.

Q: You've turned in a number of strong finishes this season. What would you attribute that success to?

A: I would not be running where I am right now if I did not have my teammates and coaches pushing me. Lily (Guenther) and Grace (Chelberg) are always running with me at practice and pushing me to do my best. Also coach (Steve) Stomberg is always creating workouts to help us meet the goals that we have set.

Q: As you look toward the post-



Shawano's Grace Beyer nears the finish line at the Shawano Invitational on Sept. 11 in Shawano. $\label{eq:Shawano}$

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season, what kind of things are you hoping to keep doing and then also be improving upon?

A: As I look towards the postseason I want to keep having strong starts in the beginning of races. I would like to improve on getting my time down and hopefully getting my PR (personal record) this year.

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

A: I try to help lead the girls team by always supporting them and moti-

vating them to work hard at meets and at practice. Some days running sucks so I try to come up with fun things like bringing some music or planning theme days.

Q: Do you have any individual goals you hope to accomplish by the end of the season?

A: I have many goals that I have set for myself for this season. I would like to break 20 minutes in a race as well as make first team all-conference. Another goal that myself and many of my teammates have is to make it to state.

AT A GLANCE

ATHLETE: Grace Beyer SPORT: Cross-country

SCHOOL: Shawano Community High School

YEAR: Senior

Q: Do you have any rituals you go through before a race starts?

A: Before a race I tend to get very nervous. I spend the time before my race thinking about how I am going to run by breaking down each section of the race. My teammates know to kind of let me do my own thing before a race but I always give a pep talk to the girls before we step up to the starting line.

Q: What's your favorite memory of competing on the Shawano girls cross-country team?

A: My favorite memory of competing in cross-country is the girls team winning conference my freshman and junior year. The excitement that the girls team had on those days was amazing and the bus rides home were a lot of fun.

Q: Favorite movie and TV show?

A: Movie — "50 First Dates." TV show — "Greys Anatomy."

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

A: I love to go shopping.

Q: What's the greatest piece of advice you have ever been told?

A: The best piece of advice I have received is to make the most of today because you never know what can happen tomorrow. I practice my hardest every day because I never know what tomorrow is going to bring.

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

A: After high school I plan on going to college to become a chiropractor. I hope to own my own practice one day and travel a lot.

