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### CHIPPEWA COUNTY FOOTBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR | CHI-HI'S DAWSON GOODMAN



**BRANDON BERG PHOTOS**, CHIPPEWA HERALD

Chi-Hi senior Dawson Goodman is a multi-year starter and has been a key fixture on the gridiron for the Cardinals. His senior season included Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-State honorable mention and All-Big Rivers Conference first team honors. Goodman is the 2022 Chippewa County Player of the Year.

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### Family fuels Goodman into all-around, all-state force

**BRANDON BERG | Chippewa Herald** 

ootball is family business for Dawson Goodman. And business was good this season for the Chi-Hi senior as he racked up numerous honors and accolades in his final season on the gridiron for the Cardinals.

Goodman earned Wisconsin Football Coaches Association Large Schools All-State honorable mention at defensive back after earning All-Big Rivers Conference first team. He was a finalist for the WisSports.net Jim Leonhard Award, which is bestowed upon the state's best senior defensive back.

And Goodman is the 2022 Chippewa County Player of the Year, the latest award in a football odyssey that shows no sign of slowing down.

### **Family business**

The impact of the sport of football has always been easy to find in the Goodman family. Dawson's father John played at Stanley-Boyd before a long coaching career at Thorp and later Fall Creek, leading the Cardinals reach the Division 6 state semifinals in 2002. Dawson's older brothers Hayden and Gavin both started for the Cardinals and have gone on to play in college. As a child, Dawson's

first memories with football were taking part in Chi-Hi's Little Champs youth camps before he started as a player. Being the youngest in the family, Dawson had plenty of strong examples and role

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Chi-Hi's Dawson Goodman stiff arms a D.C. Everest defender on Aug. 25 at Dorais Field.

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### **Recent Winners**

- 2021: Brady Potaczek, Stanley-Boyd
- **2020:** Tate Sauerwein, Lake Holcombe/Cornell
- 2019: Tate Sauerwein, Lake
- Holcombe/Cornell ■ 2018: Rico DeLeon, Chi-Hi
- **2017:** Ben Turner, Stanlev-Royd
- 2016: Seth Hause, Stanley-Boyd ■ 2015: Zach Turner, Stan-
- ley-Boyd ■ **2014:** Ronny Ponick, Zach Turner and Clint Warminski,
- Stanley-Boyd
- **2013:** Colten Seibel, Bloomer ■ 2012: Brett Baker, New Au-

### **Also Considered**

■ Dale Tetrault, McDonell The senior wide receiver was

one of the top 8-man pass catchers in the state

this season, hauling in 60 receptions for 1,041 yards and 15 touchdowns in earning Wisconsin Volleyball Coaches Association All-State first team honors.

**PACKERS** 

# Green Bay considering picking up pace

### Offense may go up tempo to provide spark

### **JASON WILDE** For the Herald

GREEN BAY - Aaron Rodgers thinks speeding things up might be just what the Green Bay Packers' downtrodden offense needs to kick into high gear.

The question is whether the Packers four-time NFL MVP quarterback has successfully convinced his head coach, Matt La-Fleur, that an all-gas, no-brakes approach will rev up the opera-

Searching for answers for an of-predecessor, Mike McCarthy, em-



TV: NBC fensive malaise that, with the exception of the team's Nov. 13 victory over the Dallas Cowboys, has spanned the entire season — even before the team lost five consecutive games — Rodgers has been suggesting for several weeks that dose no-huddle will help, just as keep the defense having to make it did in past years when LaFleur's

braced the idea.

Could their prime-time road matchup with the 9-1 Philadelphia Eagles on "Sunday Night Football" be the right time to give

"I just think anytime you're in a funk offensively, this is what Mike and I used to talk about," Rodgers said in the aftermath of the team's 27-17 loss to the Tennessee Titans on Nov. 17. "If there's two, maybe three series where you're just not moving the ball efficiently, changing the tempo after maybe the first going up-tempo and mixing in a play of the drive is a way to just

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Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers said he had success utilizing quick snaps and the no-huddle offense last week against the Titans.

Boys Basketball-McDonell vs Wabeno at Wausau East, 5 p.m.; Stanley-Boyd at Wausau West, 6 p.m.

Girls Basketball-McDonell vs Wausau Newman at Wausau East,

Boys Hockey-Madison Edgewood at Chi-Hi, 1 p.m.

NAHL-Chippewa Steel at Wisconsin Windigo, 7 p.m.

### BRIEFS

### **WORLD CUP**

### **US frustrates England again in 0-0** draw

AL KHOR, Qatar - Loud jeers rang around the stadium. England's fans were not happy. The United States had frustrated them yet again at a World Cup.

That's three times and counting that the teams have met on soccer's biggest stage and England is still waiting for its first win against the Americans after a 0-0 draw on Friday.

Coach Gareth Southgate had reminded his players of that record beforehand, with the U.S. famously winning 1-0 in 1950 and playing out a 1-1 draw in 2010. They didn't seem to heed his warning and didn't respond to Gregg Berhalter's young and energetic team.

England beat Iran 6-2 in its opening game in Qatar to justify its status as one of the tournament favorites. But it could consider itself fortunate not to have dropped another match to the U.S., after Christian Pulisic hit the crossbar with a first-half strike and Weston McKinnie lifted a shot over from eight yards out.

"I'd like to see goals," said Berhalter. "We're proud, but our work is not done."

The draw sets up a match for the U.S. against Iran on Tuesday for a spot in the round of 16. Iran beat Wales 2-0 earlier and sits second in Group B with three points, one more than the Americans.

A win would have advanced England into the knockout stages, but the Three Lions rarely looked in control.

Its supporters were ready to celebrate a late winner when Harry Kane came close to scoring with stoppage

"It wasn't the best performance for sure," said Kane. "Good spells with the ball, but we didn't quite have the final product. Clean sheet puts us in a great position in the group.

"We had two or three opportunities and didn't put it awav."

### **COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

### Narrow win gives No. 19 Tulane **AAC** title game host duties

CINCINNATI - Michael Pratt found Shae Wyatt with a 30-yard touchdown pass with 5 minutes left to lead No. 19 Tulane to a 27-24 win over No. 24 Cincinnati on Friday, making the Green Wave the hosts for the upcoming American Conference Championship game.

Tyjae Spears rushed for two touchdowns and had 181 yards to contribute to the cause for Tulane (10-2, 7-1 AAC), which beat Cincinnati (9-3, 6-2) for the first time in five tries. Tulane also snapped the Bearcats' 32-game home streak.

Pratt went 13-for-22 passing for 162 yards and the winning touchdown. He also rushed for 30 yards on nine carries.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: UMBC at Georgetown, FS2, 11 a.m., Houston Christian at Missouri, SEC, 11 a.m.; Hampton at Wake Forest, ACC, 11:30 a.m.; Niagara at St. John's, FS2, 1 p.m.; Columbia at Providence, FS2, 3 p.m.; St. Thomas (Minn.) at Utah, PAC12, 7 p.m.; Chicago St. at Marquette, FS2, 7:30 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Georgia Tech at Georgia, ESPN, 11 a.m.; Michigan at Ohio State, FOX, 11 a.m.; South Carolina at Clemson, ABC, 11 a.m.; West Virginia at Oklahoma State, ESPN2, 11 a.m.; Rutgers at Maryland, BTN, 11 a.m.: Coastal Carolina at James Madison, ESPNU. 11 a.m.; Western Kentucky at Florida Atlantic, CBSSN, 11 a.m.; Louisville at Kentucky, SEC, 2 p.m.; Auburn at Alabama, CBS, 2:30 p.m.; Oregon at Oregon State, ABC, 2:30 p.m.; Minnesota at Wisconsin, ESPN, 2:30 p.m.; Illinois at Northwestern, BTN, 2:30 p.m.; Purdue at Indiana, BTN, 2:30 p.m.; Wake Forest at Duke, ACC, 2:30 p.m.; Memphis at SMU, ESPN2, 2:30 p.m.: Troy at Arkansas State, ESPNU, 2:30 p.m.: UAB at Louisiana Tech, CBSSN, 2:30 p.m.; Iowa State at TCU, FOX, 3 p.m.; Michigan State at Penn State, FS1, 3 p.m.; Utah at Colorado, PAC12, 3 p.m.; LSU at Texas A&M, ESPN, 6 p.m.; UCF at South Florida, ESPN2, 6 p.m.; Notre Dame at USC, ABC, 6:30 p.m.; Tennessee at Vanderbilt, SEC, 6:30 p.m.; Oklahoma at Texas Tech, FS1, 6:30 p.m.; Tulsa at Houston, ESPNU, 6:30 p.m.: Kansas at Kansas State, FOX, 7 p.m.: Pittsburgh at Miami (Fla.), ACC, 7 p.m.; Air Force at San Diego State, CBSSN, 8 p.m.; SE Missouri at Montana, ESPN2, 9 p.m.; Washington at Washington State, ESPN, 9:30 p.m.; BYU at Stanford, FS1, 10 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL: Wisconsin at Ohio St., BTN, 6 p.m.; Minnesota at Nebraska, BTN, 8 p.m.

GOLF: DP World Tour: The Fortinet Australian PGA Champoinship, GOLF, 8:30 p.m.

NBA: Oklahoma City at Houston, NBA, 7 p.m.

NHL: Edmonton at NY Rangers, NHL, noon; Toronto at Pittsburgh, NHL, 6 p.m.

**SKIING/SNOWBOARDING:** Freestyle Skiing/Snowboarding, NBC,

MEN'S SOCCER WORLD CUP: Poland vs Saudi Arabia, FS1, 7 a.m.; France vs Denmark, FS1, 10 a.m.; Argentina vs Mexico, FS1, 1 p.m.

**TENNIS:** Davis Cup Semifinal, TENNIS, 6 a.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: Rhode Island at Boston College, ACC, 11 a.m.; East Tennessee State at Georgia, SEC, noon; Saint Louis at Auburn, SEC, 2 p.m.; Wofford at LSU, SEC, 2 p.m.; Yale at Colorado, PAC12, 2 p.m.; Alcorn State at Arizona State, PAC12, 4 p.m.; Bellarmine at UCLA. PAC12. 6 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: East Carolina at Virginia, ACC, 1 p.m.; Coastal Carolina at Wake Forest, ACC, 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL: NCAA Women's Volleyball Tournament Selection Show, ESPNU, 6:30 p.m.

FIGURE SKATING: ISU: The Grand Prix of Figure Skating (taped), NBC, 2:30 p.m.

HORSE RACING: NYRA: America's Day at the Races, FS2, 11 a.m. NBA: Golden State at Minnesota, BSNO, 2:30 p.m.; Dallas at Milwau-

kee, NBA and BSWI, 7 p.m.

NBA G-LEAGUE: Austin at Birmingham, NBA, 2 p.m.

NFL: Cincinnati at Tennessee, CBS, noon; Chicago at NY Jets, FOX, noon; LA Rams at Kansas City, FOX, 3:25 p.m.; Green Bay at Philadelphia, NBC, 7:15 p.m.

NHL: Arizona at Minnesota, NHL, BSNO and BSWI, 1 p.m.; Winnipeg at Chicago, NHL, 6 p.m.

SKIING/SNOWBOARDING: Freestyle Skiing/Snowboarding, NBC, 11:30 a.m.

MEN'S SOCCER WORLD CUP: Japan vs Costa Rica, FS1, 4 a.m.; Belgium vs Morocco, FS1, 7 a.m.: Croatia vs Canada, FS1, 10 a.m.: Spain

vs Germany, FS1, 1 p.m. **TENNIS:** Davis Cup Championship, TENNIS, 6 a.m. BADGERS MEN'S BASKETBALL | UW 64, USC 59

# Wisconsin closes tourney strong

### Hepburn comes to life in victory over USC

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Wisconsin State Journal

NASSAU, Bahamas — It was another tight finish for the University of Wisconsin men's basketball team in the third-place game of the Battle 4 Atlantis.

There were 50 seconds left when Southern Cal's Boogie Ellis scored his only points of the second half to make it a three-point game. The lot less time to even things out having been forced into overtime Thursday because of a last-second shot.

Sophomore guard Chucky Hepburn wasn't going to let that happen again. He missed the step-back jumper to further UW's lead. He made up for it when he stole the ball from Drew Peterson with 15 seconds left and scored the crucial lavup to seal a 64-59 win on Friday.

"I recognized that (Peterson) had been dribbling the ball with his right hand the whole game," Hepburn said. "He wasn't going back to his left. So I made a play on the ball. I knew we had a foul and I made a play on the ball to be able to score."

The Badgers, who trailed by as many as seven points in the first half, claimed third place at the Battle 4 Atlantis.

UW utilized a 12-5 run over the last 4 minutes, 33 seconds of the first half to gain a two-point lead heading into halftime. Jordan Davis scored five of his eight first-half points in that stretch.

The Trojans took back the lead with a 8-0 run early in the second half. The two good showing in the first the Trojans out with the fi- was in."

game when the Badgers took eight points on 3-of-19 and kept the lead until the (15.8%) shooting. end of the game.

deficit and the Trojans' best with his last bucket of the 3-point performance this stanza at 8:14. season.

Ellis, scorer, was held to 1-for-7 Badgers knew that it took a 18.5 points per game, but eight second-half points. was held to 15. As a team, the Trojans converted 50% First half 3-point of first-half shots but were held to 33.3% in the second half.

scored more than 10 points. additional 14 and 12, respectively. The team shot 44.6%.

Battle 4 Atlantis 2-1 with its lone loss coming in overtime reigning national champi-

"I'm extremely proud of help us and not hurt us? ... Third game in three days, that's going to help us as we go forward."

### Hepburn breaks out of slump

The sophomore came out The Badgers (5-1) capital with a bang against USC hitized on USC's high turnover ting his first two 3-pointers rate, forcing 14 turnovers to open the scoring for the and scoring 15 points off Badgers. He finished the the mistakes. That helped first half with nine points offset a 36-32 rebounding on 3-of-43-point shooting

He kicked off the second USC's leading half scoring, too, with a second-chance layup. He finshooting in the second half ished the game making 7 of after going 5 for 9 in the 13 shots (53.8%). His layup first. He typically averages to seal the game gave him

## showers

Neither UW nor USC are left in the first half. Three Badgers players particularly great 3-point shooting teams convert-Hepburn had a game-high ing 33.3% and 29.5% of 17. Tyler Wahl and freshman attempts this season, re-Connor Essegian added an spectively. That wasn't the case for the first half as both teams showcased their un-UW walks away from the proven ability to hit longrange shots.

The Badgers had five difagainst No. 3 Kansas, the ferent players hit 3-pointers, led by Hepburn's nine on 3-for-4 shooting. Essegian only made one of his two our guys," UW coach Greg first-half attempts, but it Gard said. "The question tied up the game at 16 with was how were we going to 12:02 left in the half. Sterespond after yesterday's ven Crowl, Davis and Isaac tough loss (to Kansas)? Lindsey also hit 3-pointers How can we use that to for the team to go a combined 7-for-16.

UW entered the game again, three good teams. We with the best 3-point delearned a lot. We've grown fense in the country. The a lot in this three day span Badgers held their opponents to 17.8% 3-point Here is what else stood five games. USC went 6-for-Ellis' 13 first-half points

2-for-2 and Milwaukee na-Hepburn has not had a tive Kobe Johnson rounded was really solid when he

teams proceeded to trade two games at the Battle 4 nal 3-pointer. He finished leads until 4:25 left in the Atlantis, combining for with eight points, one off a career high set Thursday

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against Brigham Young. The Trojans (4-3) were 5 for 10 from the perimeter in the second half and finished 11-for-23 (47.8%) shooting on 3-pointers for

### It takes everyone

the game.

Nobody was dominant for the Badgers. Coach Greg Gard played nine players and all but two scored.

Davis didn't score against Kansas, but came back to add eight points all of which came in the first half. He also had a huge pair of offensive rebounds that resulted in a layup to cut USC's lead to just three points with 4:33

"He stayed true to who he needs to be," Gard said. "He can't be tied to whether the ball goes in emotionally. I thought he defended, did some good things rebounding. He cuts well. Just stav true to who you are and how you can best help this team. He did that. It's the best he's ran toward that objective in quite a while."

Essegian stepped up in the second half, when he scored nine of his 12 points and grabbed three of his four rebounds. He also drew three separate fouls on defense to cause the Trojans to turn the ball over.

Eight different Badgers players grabbed a rebound with Wahl and Crowl leading with nine and seven, respectively.

"To be able to get some shooting through the first contributions from Connor from off the bench as 13, which included nine of he's still learning," Gard said, "but it was across coming from 3-point range. the board. (Carter Gilm-Peterson went a perfect ore) gave us some good minutes. Isaac Lindsey

### **Packers**

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quick calls.

"It's a good way to just get some plays quickly and get that urgency maybe picking up a little bit."

Rodgers pointed to a couple of plays against the Titans in which he hurried the offense to the line of scrimmage and quick-snapped the ball, including a 28-yard third-quarter completion to Randall Cobb. It wasn't a no-huddle play, but the Packers broke the huddle with 17 seconds left on the play clock and Rodgers had center Josh Myers snap the ball just four seconds later instead of running the clock down to almost zero, as he

normally does. 'The few times we went on a quick count (against the Titans), I hit 'Cobby' across the middle for (almost) 30 and we had another positive play in the run game, as well. Maybe I've got to mix up some cadences a little bit, too," Rodgers continued. "If we do up-tempo, we can stay in the same personnel. And we've had success over the years doing that and this season in some of the called (at the line of scrimmage)

situations." When the subject was brought back up to Rodgers at his locker on Wednesday, he was less expansive and borderline coy about sharing his thoughts — perhaps an indicator that his sales pitch to LaFleur worked and the Packers will deploy the no-huddle against the Ea-

"Anything that you work on and emphasize, the results are going to follow," Rodgers said. "I think you look at some of the stagnation we've had on offense, over the season, a lot of times what's brought us out were some of those up-tempo drives. So, we'll see what happens this week."

beyond 2-minute drills or games in which they fell behind significantly and needed to play catch-up. What Rodgers wants to see is usage of the up-tempo approach during the natural course of the game, when it

The Packers haven't really



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in a season which celebrations for them have not been commonplace, Packers wide receivers Allen Lazard (13) and Christian Watson react after one of Watson's two touchdown receptions against the Titans on Nov. 17 at Lambeau Field.

give us the best opportunity to win a game, then that's exactly where we'll go," LaFleur different plan each and every from an offensive standpoint but from an overall team standpoint, then, certainly, (I'm) always up for whatevgame."

Rodgers isn't the only player intrigued by the plify its schemes. It can also idea. Veteran wide receiver Sammy Watkins was part of a Baltimore Ravens offense downside: If your offense that went up-tempo frequently, and while the Kansas City Chiefs didn't do it very often when he was playteam Watkins played on used it on occasion.

do it. I really think it switches up the flow of the game. With the Ravens, I loved it," Watkins said. "Because I just feel to get on the ball quick. like when you're stagnant, it's like, 'Let's try some difmoved the ball and we're like, 'They can't stop us.' And once they can't stop you, now they're all flustered.

"Whoever's on the field, they get in the flow of the game better. Defenses can Packers' offense was largely only run a couple things. predicated on the no-hudhas an element of surprise You can't really blitz, you dle during the 2013 and or not."

can pretty much only run 2014 seasons – interrupted communication. Can it help? I think it will help.

"That wasn't our strong said when asked about the suit (in Kansas City). With tensively for as long as he idea Thursday. "You have a the Ravens, we did it a lot, and everybody loved it. Did week. If you think you can the OC (offensive coordinagain an advantage, not only tor) love it? No. He wanted to dial up plays. That's just the nature of any offensive coordinator or head coach."

The upside of going uper's going to help us win the tempo is that it limits the defense's ability to substitute, it forces the defense to simwear out defensive players, but there's also a very clear goes three-and-out, your own defensive players could be the ones sucking wind.

"From my perspective, I ing with Patrick Mahomes, think it puts a lot of stress leur combined elements of the 2017 Los Angeles Rams on the defense. They can't get as many calls in as fast as they want. I think the The offensive coordinator D-linemen get tired. So do for that Rams team? LaFleur. we, of course, but I think "I think it's a great idea to those are all pros," said Mydo it. Because we have the ers, who did lots of no-hudplays, we have the offense to dle work in college at Ohio ier, because those guys can State. "I think it's easier to get in a groove when you're tempo-ing like that. Easier

(But) one of my biggest things I don't love about it is ferent (expletive).' And it if you're not moving the ball gone no-huddle this season helped us out. And then we and you're tempo-ing, you can go three-and-out and take about 25 seconds off the clock. So there are definitely pros and there are definitely

cons to it, for sure." Under McCarthy, the

"If we feel like it's going to one coverage, there's limited in 2013 by Rodgers breaking his collarbone – but the no-huddle is no panacea.

> In fact, after using it exdid. McCarthy actually nixed it during the team's offensive struggles during the first half of the 2016 season, the year Rodgers' run-the-table prediction late in the year led to eight straight victories and an NFC Championship Game berth.

> Rodgers admitted earlier in the week that the Packers' wide receiving corps back then - Jordy Nelson, Davante Adams, Cobb — were more versatile and experienced than the current group he has at his disposal.

> At the same time, Rodgers pointed to how he and LaF-LaFleur's system and McCarthy's system when LaFleur first arrived in 2019, which should allow them to toggle between the traditional and no-huddle approaches.

> "Obviously that was easplay every position. But you get what you emphasize and if you emphasize some of that stuff, you're going to be more prepared for it," Rodgers said.

"The beauty in the meshing of systems that we did a few years ago as far as terminology is we can call everything at the line of scrimmage. We'll see. It's easier at home, for sure, but we've done it on the road for many, many years. Not sure if that's going to be a part of the plan  $_{00}$ 



### FIRST TEAM OFFENSE, SPECIAL AND HONORABLE MENTIONS

### **Grant Smiskey** Quarterback

**McDonell** 

Number: 3 | Class: Sophomore

Height: 5-10 | Weight: 169

**Resume:** All-Central Wisconsin West Conference first team...Completed 95 of 134 passes for 1,636 yards, 21 touchdowns and six interceptions and ran for three touchdowns.

Coach Mark Maloney says: "Grant was like having a coach out on the field running the offense. His vision is unbelievable and we could discuss and strategize during each game, he believed in me and I believed in him, it was great to have that option. The best part of it all is I get to do it with him for the next two years. It will be fun to watch him grow as an athlete and a leader."

### **Dylan Bowe**

**Running Back** 

Cornell

Number: 11 | Class: Senior Height: 5-10 | Weight: 165

Resume: All-Central Wisconsin West Conference first team at running back and second team at defensive back...Rushed for 1,197 yards on 164 carries and scored 15 touchdowns.

**Coach Craig Braaten says: "We** saw tremendous growth in Dylan this year; he was put in a tough spot when we lost one of our senior leaders early in the season. Dylan stepped up as seniors should and led the conference in rushing and our team in tackling.'

### **Mason Howard**

**Running Back** 

Chi-Hi

Number: 1 | Class: Senior Height: 5-10 | Weight: 150

**Resume:** All-Big Rivers Conference first team...Ran for team-high 563 yards on 101 carries and nine touchdowns while catching a team-high

scores. Coach Chuck Raykovich says: "He's so guick and athletic and does everything. He's got great hands, he's

got great vision, balance. He's the

17 receptions for 340 yards and four

### **Gabe Prince**

**Running Back** 

**Bloomer** 

real deal."

Number: 6 | Class: Junior Height: 5-8 | Weight: 160

Resume: All-Heart O'North Con-

ference first team...Ran for 998 yards and eight touchdowns on 152 carries...Caught four passes for 54 yards.

**Coach John Post says:** "Gabe was the second leading rusher in the conference from the QB position. It took a few games to get figured out and then he was very good and improved steadily throughout the season. He is one of our best all-around football players."

### **Landon Karlen**

**Wide Receiver** 

Stanley-Boyd

Number: 7 | Class: Junior

**Height: 5-9 | Weight: 165** 

**Resume:** Led team in receiving with 42 receptions for 477 yards and two touchdowns and rushing with 105 attempts for 349 rushing yards and seven touchdowns.

Coach Jeff Koenig says: "Landon is a quick football player. Our offense went through him this year."

### **Dale Tetrault**

**Wide Receiver** 

**McDonell** 

Number: 89 | Class: Senior

Height: 5-9 | Weight: 165

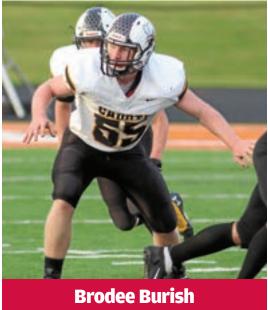
**Resume:** Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-State First Team and All-Region...Central Wisconsin West Conference Offensive Player of the Year...Central Wisconsin West Conference First Team at wide receiver and defensive back.

Coach Maloney says: "Dale is one of those coaches dream players, the kid that works his tail off in the off season, has a ton of experience and is a great leader. First team All-Conference on Offense and Defense, Offensive Player of the Year, All-Region, All State, WOW, he deserves all the accolades he has been receiving, and throw on top of that breaking the 8-Player Career Receptions (record). I had the opportunity to coach him as an eighth grade player and now as a senior, it was fun to watch him continue to get better and betoo ter each year."





**Mason Howard** 



**Tegan Ritter** 

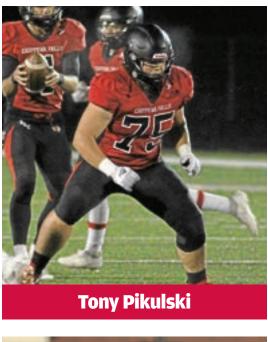
















**Tegan Ritter** 

**All-Purpose** 

Cadott

Number: 22 | Class: Senior

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Height: 6-1 | Weight: 195

Resume: All-Dunn-St. Croix Conference second team selection at fullback/tight end...Ran for 512 yards on 63 carries and five touchdowns while catching six passes for 147 vards and one score.

Coach Jeff Goettl says: "Tegan is the most unselfish player I've ever coached. He could've played any position on our team and been an all-conference player."

### **Brodee Burish**

**Offensive Line** 

Cadott

Number: 55 | Class: Junior

Height: 6-0 | Weight: 210

Resume: All-Dunn-St. Croix Conference second team.

Coach Goettl says: "Brodee has a tremendous amount of potential. He's scraping the surface of the player he could become."

### **Grant Hatfield**

**Offensive Line** 

Stanley-Boyd

Number: 78 | Class: Senior

Height: 5-10 | Weight: 185

**Resume:** All-Cloverbelt Conference first team...Wisconsin Football Coaches Association Academic All-

Coach Koenig says: "Smart and physical football player. Was able to play any position for us, he even took snaps at QB for us in our playoff game.'

### **Tony Pikulski**

**Offensive Line** 

Chi-Hi

Number: 75 | Class: Senior

Height: 5-10 | Weight: 260

**Resume:** All-Big Rivers Conference second team.

Coach Raykovich says: "Tony's talent and abilities were just scratching the surface and I wish I could have him back for a couple more years because he turned into at the end of the year a dominant offensive lineman."

### Malaki Suckerman

**Offensive Line** 

McDonell

Number: 79 | Class: Senior

Height: 6-3 | Weight: 325

Resume: All-Central Wisconsin West Conference first team.

Coach Maloney says: "Malaki was our offensive line captain with a lot of experience through his high school career. He was a great mentor to our younger linemen and when we needed those short yards during any game we could rely on Malaki to pave the way."

### **Jace Zwiefelhofer**

**Offensive Line** 

Chi-Hi

Number: 60 | Class: Senior

Height: 6-5 | Weight: 220

Resume: Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-Region...All-Big Rivers Conference first team.

Coach Raykovich says: "Just like Mason a three-year starter. They both started as sophomores and their work on the field speaks for itself. They were well rewarded for it."

### **Special and Honorable Mentions**

**Special Mentions** 

Quarterback: Logan Burzynski, Stanley-Boyd

**Running Back:** Easton Goodman, Cadott; Dawson Moulton, McDonell

Wide Receiver/Tight End: David Andersen, McDonell

Offensive Line: Griffen Sokup, McDonell; Grayden Thatcher, Chi-Hi

**Honorable Mentions** 

Quarterback: Daniel Person, Cornell; Mason Von Haden,

Running Back: Mayson Tester,

Wide Receiver/Tight End: Kolbe Solberg, Chi-Hi

Offensive Line: Levi Lindsay, Cadott; Kai Harder, New Auburn







### **Nathan Drivas Defensive Line**

Chi-Hi

Number: 7 | Class: Senior

**Height:** 5-10 | **Weight:** 188

Resume: Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-Region...All-Big Rivers Conference first team...34 total tackles, one defensive fumble recovery for touchdown...Ran for 197 yards and two touchdowns on 32 carries.

### **Coach Chuck Raykovich says:**

"Our defensive is predicated on our d-linemen not so much making tackles but spilling runners to our linebackers."

### **Samy Espinal Defensive Line**

**Bloomer** 

Number: 63 | Class: Senior

Height: 5-10 | Weight: 220

Resume: All-Heart O'North Conference first team...21 total tackles including three tackles for loss.

Coach John Post says: "Samy has been a very solid player for us on both sides of the ball. He is one of our top players both ways and will be very hard to replace."

### **Carter Harycki Defensive Line**

Cornell

Number: 66 | Class: Junior

**Height:** 6-5 | **Weight:** 270

**Resume:** All-Central Wisconsin West Conference first team...25 total tackles and two fumble recoveries.

**Coach Craig Braaten says: "Carter** played well for us this year in one of the toughest positions on the field. He led the team in tackles for a large portion of the season getting us big plays when we needed them."

### **Reid Post Defensive Lineman**

Chi-Hi

Number: 42 | Class: Senior

**Height:** 6-1 | **Weight:** 230

**Resume:** All-Big Rivers Conference second team...48 total tackles including two tackles for loss and two fumble recoveries.

Coach Raykovich says: "He's an athlete. He's a heck of a hockey player and he's worked hard in the weight room."

### **Thomas Clary**

Linebacker Chi-Hi

Number: 52 | Class: Senior

Height: 6-1 | Weight: 230

**Resume:** All-Big Rivers Conference first team...69 total tackles including one quarterback sack and one forced fumble.

### **Nick Fasbender** Linebacker

**Cadott** 

Number: 32 | Class: Senior

Height: 5-9 | Weight: 150

Resume: All-Dunn-St. Croix Conference second team at linebacker and honorable mention at running back...112 total tackles with two forced fumbles and fumble recoveries...717 rushing yards and four touchdowns on 109 carries with four catches for 55 yards.

Coach Jeff Goettl says: "One of the most instinctive football players in our area. Nick plays as hard as any player I've ever coached."

### **Special Mentions**

Defensive Line: Caleb Leet, McDonell

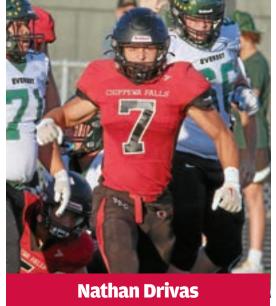
Linebacker: Karim Bah, Bloomer

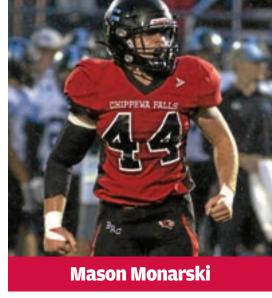
**Defensive Back:** Jace North, New Auburn

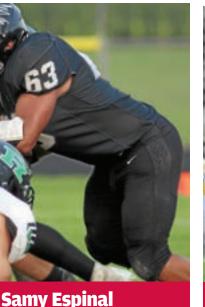
Specialist: Thomas Clary, Chi-Hi; Esubalew Mason, Chi-Hi; Simon Polman, Stanley-Boyd

NOTE: All-Chippewa County teams are selected by Chippewa Herald staff with input from county coaches.

















Carter Harycki













### Mason Monarski Linebacker

Chi-Hi

Number: 44 | Class: Senior

Height: 6-1 | Weight: 180

**Resume:** All-Big Rivers Conference honorable mention...73 total tackles including one tackle for loss and one interception.

Coach Raykovich says: "Our defense is predicated on our linemen taking care of the offensive linemen so our linebackers can flow and make plays and both of those guys (Clary and Monarski) did a heck of a job."

### **Brady Rubenzer** Linebacker

McDonell

Number: 46 | Class: Senior

**Height:** 5-11 | **Weight:** 170

Resume: All-Central Wisconsin West Conference first team.

Coach Mark Maloney says: "Brady is one of the hardest working athletes on our team and his hard work in the offseason paid off for him. He was our leading defensive player at linebacker and a great leader out on the field. He was our QB on the defensive side of the ball."

### **Tristan Drier Defensive Back**

Cadott

Number: 1 | Class: Senior

Height: 5-9 | Weight: 180

Resume: All-Dunn-St. Croix Conference second team at defensive back and honorable mention at quarterback...76 total tackles including two forced fumbles and recoveries...464 rushing yards and nine touchdowns on 92 carries and completed 41 of 84 passes for 622 yards, six touchdowns and three interceptions.

Coach Goettl says: "Tough nosed. Always around the ball. Played like an extra linebacker in the box."

### **Dawson Goodman Defensive Back**

Chi-Hi

Number: 23 | Class: Senior

**Height:** 6-0 | **Weight:** 185

Resume: Wisconsin Football Coaches Association All-State honorable mention and all-region...Wis-Sports.net Jim Leonhard Award state finalist...All-Big Rivers Conference first team selection...93 total tackles including one for loss, one forced fumble and three interceptions... Rushed for 365 yards and four touchdowns on 48 carries.

Coach Raykovich says: "A guy like Dawson moving onto play college football, it's almost like I'm giving some coach the winning lottery number."

### **Jackson Gugel Defensive Back**

Chi-Hi

Number: 11 | Class: Senior

**Height:** 6-0 | **Weight:** 160

second team...65 total tackles including one for loss, one fumble recovery and finished among statewide leaders with seven interceptions.

**Resume:** All-Big Rivers Conference

Coach Raykovich says: "He's another athlete. He plays basketball and baseball and his athleticism really showed through with his ability to gauge passes and jump at the proper time and pick off quarterbacks."

### **Peter Weir Specialist**

Cadott

Number: 10 | Class: Senior

Height: 6-0 | Weight: 170

Resume: All-Dunn-St. Croix Conference first team...21-of-23 on extra points with three made field goals including a 31-yarder.

Coach Goettl says: "We've been lucky to have Pete. A state cross country runner that would give his time to football. He can be a D1 football kicker if he wants to take that path."

### **Honorable Mentions**

Defensive Line: Axel Tegels, Cadott; Storm Tiry, Stanley-Boyd

Linebacker: Andrew Person, Cornell; Jordan Peters, Cadott; Chase Sturm, Stanley-Boyd; Austin Woolever, New Auburn

Defensive Back: Ezra Lindstrom, Chi-Hi; Brayden Lotts, New Auburn

**Specialist:** Davis Bromeisl, Chi-Hi; Aly Ferguson, McDonell





Illinois St.

W, 38-0

Sept. 10 Wash. State L, 17-14

My Sept. 17 N.M. State W, 66-7

Sept. 24 @Ohio State L, 52-21

Oct. 1 Illinois

L, 34-10

Oct. 8 @Northwestern W. 42-7

Oct. 15 @Michigan St. L, 34-28

Oct. 22 Purdue W, 35-24 Nov. 5

Maryland W, 23-10

Nov. 12 @lowa

L, 24-10

Nov. 19 @Nebraska





# BADGERS GAMEDAY ....



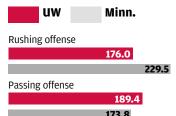
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26,

W, 15-14

GAME 12 | Minnesota | 2:30 p.m., Camp Randall Stadium, ESPN

### **BREAKDOWN**

Per-game averages



Points per game 27.5 28.7 Rushing defense

102.5 Passing defense

Points allowed per game

20.3 13.1

### **UW LEADERS**

RUSHING	AII	YUS	AVG	עו
B. Allen	207	1,121	5.4	10
I. Guerendo	58	350	6.0	5
C. Mellusi	77	321	4.2	1
S. Bell	11	115	10.5	0
PASSING	C-A	YDS	TD	INT
G. Mertz	148-259	9 1,966	19	9
M. Burkett	4-5	84	0	0
B. Allen	2-3	33	1	0
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	TD
C. Dike	39	601	15.4	6
S. Bell	27	423	15.7	5
K. Lewis	15	251	16.7	3
C. Cundiff	9	142	15.8	2
DEFENSE	TKL	SACK	TFL	INT
M. Njongmeta	ı 76	3	8	1
J. Turner	56	2	3.5	1
C.J. Goetz	53	2	9	0
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### MINN LEADERS

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	TD
M. Ibrahim	277	1,524	5.5	19
T. Potts	90	445	4.9	3
B. Williams	48	232	4.8	3
A. Kaliakmanis	25	137	5.5	1
PASSING	C-A	YDS	TD	INT
T. Morgan 1	03-153	1,324	7	5
A. Kaliakmanis	34-73	547	1	4
C. Kramer	5-8	41	0	0
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	TD
D. Jackson	28	398	14.2	2
B. Spann-Ford	33	386	11.7	2
M. Brown-Steph	nens 2	2 338	15.4	0
C. Autman-Bell	11	214	19.5	1
DEFENSE	TKL	SACK	TFL	INT
M. Sori-Marin	72	1	4.5	0
M. Sori-Marin T. Nubin	72 55	1 0	4.5 2	0 4
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### **MINN SCHEDULE**

J. Howden

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Sept. 1	Beat New Mexico State 38-0
Sept. 10	Beat Western Illinois 62-10
Sept. 17	Beat Colorado 49-7
Sept. 24	Beat Michigan State 34-7
Oct. 1	Lost to Purdue 20-10
Oct. 15	Lost to Illinois 26-14
Oct. 22	Lost to Penn State 45-17
Oct. 29	Beat Rutgers 31-0
Nov. 5	Beat Nebraska 20-13
Nov. 12	Beat Northwestern 31-3
Nov. 19	Lost to Iowa 13-10
Nov. 26	at Wisconsir

### **HISTORY**

Series: UW leads 62-61-8

First meeting: UW lost 63-0 in 1890

Last meeting: UW lost 23-13 last season

**Longest UW winning streak:** UW won 14 consecutive games from 2004 to 2017

**Longest Minnesota winning streak:** The Gophers won nine consecutive games from 1933 to 1941

### BY THE NUMBERS

Mohamed Ibrahim has 51 rushing touchdowns in his college career, more than UW's entire roster combined.

Career passing touchdowns for Badgers QB Graham Mertz, which is tied for fifth-most in program history with Randy Wright (1981-83) and Brooks Bollinger (1999-2002).

UW has eight players with 100 or more yards receiving in a season for the first time since 2015.

# WHO HAS THE EDGE?



### WHEN THE BADGERS **HAVE THE BALL**

UW has to hope high winds aren't a factor this weekend because wind has been detrimental to the play of quarterback Graham Mertz this month. He hasn't thrown for more than 200 yards since Oct. 22, and he has two touchdowns and three interceptions in November. He's a combined 29 of 71 (40.8%) this month, which won't get it done against a good Minnesota defense.

Mertz has to get the passing game back on track to beat Minnesota because the Gophers front seven stops the run well. The Gophers allow just more than 100 yards per game on the ground. UW tried with little success to get screen passes involved early last week, but offensive coordinator Bobby Engram would be wise to get some shorter routes incorporated first to get Mertz in rhythm. Minnesota doesn't blitz often, so Mertz will have to be smart throwing into seven-man coverages.

Tailback Braelon Allen is nursing shoulder and ankle injuries, but the Badgers' backfield got a boost with the return of Chez Mellusi. His hard running helped spur the comeback win over Nebraska and will be needed against Minnesota. How carries are split and how much Allen can play will be things to watch, but the Gophers will be tested more than they were last season when Allen was banged up and both Mellusi and Isaac Guerendo were unavailable. **Edge:** Minnesota

### **SPECIAL TEAMS**

The Badgers' special teams rebounded somewhat after a bad showing two weeks ago at Iowa, but it's not a strength this season. UW interim coach Jim Leonhard said addressing the lack of explosiveness on special teams would be high on his list of priorities if he was to be hired as coach.

Minnesota kicker Matthew Trickett has hit 12 of 14 tries this season, including all five of his attempts of 40-plus yards. Menomonee Falls native Quentin Redding has become a solid kick returner for the Gophers, featuring a long return of 92 yards this season.

UW's focus needs to be on fielding punts cleanly and not allowing Redding to break any kind of return so the Gophers have to beat the Badgers' defense.

**Edge:** Push

### WHEN THE GOPHERS **HAVE THE BALL**

The Gophers employ a scheme that's heavy on run-pass options and use play-action passes to attack defenses. Those strategies allow Minnesota's big offensive line to wear down an opponent's fronts and senior running back Mohamed Ibrahim is a battering ram. His 1,524 yards are second-most in the FBS, and he's coming off a 263-yard performance against a strong Iowa defense.

Ibrahim has been a consistent force for the Gophers after tearing his Achilles last season, but the question mark for the Gophers is under center. Senior Tanner Morgan suffered an upper-body injury three weeks ago and hasn't started the past two games. Redshirt freshman Athan Kaliakmanis has stepped in and adds a bit of a rushing threat that Morgan doesn't. He was hampered by the wind last week, but the Gophers' play-calling appears to be limited with the inexperience at quarterback.

UW hasn't had an interception in two weeks but still is tied for second-most in the FBS with 17, trailing only Southern Cal (18). A pick or two could be the momentum swing the Badgers need to get out to a lead and put the ball-control-focused Gophers in a bind.

UW's pass rush will be down its best player in Nick Herbig, who will miss the first half after he was flagged for targeting last week. UW appealed the flag on Herbig's behalf, but it was denied. **Edge:** Wisconsin

### **TRENDS**



UW's defense hasn't allowed an opponent to gain 200 total yards in each of the past three games.

Minnesota running back Mohamed Ibrahim has run for 19 touchdowns this season.



### **COLTEN'S PICK**



These defenses are built to stop the other team's offense, with strong front sevens able to halt the run. It's very likely UW will need Graham Mertz to throw to win this game. UW has more weapons on offense and one of them makes a game-changing play, but the Gophers keep it close.

### THE FANS' PICK

BADGERS IN A ROUT 12% BADGERS IN A CLOSE ONE 68%

GOPHERS IN A CLOSE ONE 15% **GOPHERS IN A ROUT** 5%

### **THREE KEYS**

for the Badgers

**1 No picks:** UW quarterback Graham Mertz made just enough plays down the stretch against Nebraska for UW to eke out a win, but he'll need to be better for UW to beat a good Minnesota defense. The first step is not turning over the ball. Mertz has nine interceptions this season and the opponent has scored a touchdown off six of them. Minnesota's defense has 12 picks this season, a bit over one per game, but Mertz has to avoid it the best he can.

**Tackle Ibrahim:** Gophers tailback ■ Mohamed Ibrahim is a force. He was named the Big Ten's top tailback in 2020, then tore his Achilles last year in the opener and seemingly has come back no worse for wear. Ibrahim's leading the league in rushing yards per game (152.4) and has had success against UW in the past with a 151-yard performance in 2020. UW can't afford to miss tackles in the box and let him get loose in the second level of the defense.

**3 Confuse the QB:** Minnesota is expected to be without senior quarterback Tanner Morgan against UW. Redshirt freshman Athan Kaliakmanis has started the past two games for the Gophers, and the fresh-faced QB should be met with a variety of looks from Jim Leonhard's defense. UW can't get too crazy and get out of position to stop the run, but any passing situation should show Kaliakmanis something he likely hasn't seen before.

### **THREE KEYS**

for the Gophers

**1 Start fast:** Both teams are playing for pride and rivalry more than big-picture stakes. Neither can represent the Big Ten West in the conference title game. But Minnesota as the road team would be wise to get on the board quickly and force the Badgers' inconsistent offense to play from behind. Kaliakmanis' mobility could be put to use here - he's not afraid to keep the ball on read-option looks and can extend plays by moving in the pocket, something that UW has struggled with this season.

**Beat up Braelon:** Leonhard said the coaching staff will be smart with tailback Braelon Allen's workload as he deals with shoulder and ankle injuries. Minnesota tackled well against Allen last season, a key factor in Paul Bunyan's Axe residing in Minneapolis for the past 12 months. Minnesota must hit Allen and force him to the sideline. leaving UW with a still-shakingoff-the-rust Chez Mellusi and Isaac Guerendo in the backfield.

**3**Pick spots to be aggressive: Minnesota's coaches rave about Kaliakmanis' potential, but they were fairly conservative in what they allowed him to do last week against Iowa. He threw for 87 yards against Iowa's stout defense, but he likely will need to do more against UW. The run-pass option schemes Minnesota runs create safe, easy throws, but Minnesota should mix in more shots downfield against UW, which hasn't had to defend those plays in nearly a month.

# **PROJECTED TWO-DEEP**

E	BAD	GER	S OFFENSE	
		5	Graham Mertz	Jr.
	QB	2	Chase Wolf	Sr.
	D.D.	0	Braelon Allen	So.
	RB	1	Chez Mellusi	Sr.
	FB	34	Jackson Acker	R-Fr.
	гБ	37	Riley Nowakowski	So.
,	WR	13	Chimere Dike	Jr.
1	WK	6	Dean Engram	Jr.
,	WR	11	Skyler Bell	R-Fr.
1	WK	3	Keontez Lewis	So.
,	WR	87	Hayden Rucci	Jr.
1	WK	82	Jack Eschenbach	Sr.
	LT	79	Jack Nelson	So.
		66	Nolan Rucci	R-Fr.
	LG	63	Tanor Bortolini	So.
	Lu	65	Tyler Beach	Sr.
	С	75	Joe Tippmann	Jr.
		61	Dylan Barrett	Fr.
	RG	78	Trey Wedig	So.
	Νu	74	Michael Furtney	Sr.
	RT	71	Riley Mahlman	R-Fr.
	K I	78	Trey Wedig	So.
	v	29	Nate Van Velst	R-Fr.

Gavin Lahm

GOP	HER	S DEFENSE	
DE	8	Thomas Rush	Sr.
DT	1	Trill Carter	R-Jr.
DT	93	Kyler Baugh	Sr.
DE	97	Jalen Logan-Redding	R-So.
LB	55	Mariano Sori-Marin	Sr.
LB	45	Cody Lindenberg	R-So.
DB	11	Michael Dixon	Jr.
СВ	5	Justin Walley	So.
S	23	Jordan Howden	Sr.
S	27	Tyler Nubin	Sr.
СВ	4	Terell Smith	Sr.
Р	96	Mark Crawford	Jr.

GOP	HER	S OFFENSE	
QB	8	Athan Kaliakmanis	R-Fr.
RB	24	Mohamed Ibrahim	Sr.
TE	88	Brevyn Spann-Ford	R-Sr.
WR	9	Daniel Jackson	Jr.
WR	22	Michael Brown-Stephens	R-Jr.
WR	0	Lemeke Brockington	R-Fr.
LT	69	Aireontae Ersery	R-So.
LG	65	Axel Ruschmeyer	R-Sr.
С	60	John Michael Schmitz	Sr.
RG	76	Chuck Filiaga	Gr.
RT	77	Quinn Carroll	Gr.
K	95	Matthew Trickett	Sr.

### **BADGERS DEFENSE**

DE	56	Rodas Johnson	Jr.
DE	96	Cade McDonald	So.
БТ	95	Keeanu Benton	Sr.
DT	94	Gio Paez	Jr.
D.T.	99	Isaiah Mullens	Sr.
DT	90	James Thompson Jr.	So.
-	19	Nick Herbig	Jr.
DE	52	Kaden Johnson	So.
	55	Maema Njongmeta	Jr.
LB	36	Jake Chaney	So.
	54	Jordan Turner	So.
LB	39	Tatum Grass	Jr.
	98	C.J. Goetz	Jr.
LB	17	Darryl Peterson	R-Fr.
CD.	1	Jay Shaw	Sr.
СВ	21	Justin Clark	Sr.
	15	John Torchio	Sr.
S	41	Titus Toler	Jr.
	13	Kamo'i Latu	Jr.
S	24	Hunter Wohler	So.
CD.	11	Alexander Smith	Sr.
СВ	2	Ricardo Hallman	R-Fr.
	38	Andy Vujnovich	Sr.
P	28	Gavin Meyers	So.



# THE BLITZ

### YOUR QUICK-HIT GUIDE TO WEEK 12 IN THE NFL



### Bengals (6-4) at Titans (7-3)

This is a rematch of last January's playoff game that sent Cincinnati to the Super Bowl. The Bengals rank third in the NFL in scoring (26.5 points per game). The Titans have the NFL's longest active streak of holding opponents to 20 points or fewer at seven. Bengals QB Joe Burrow threw for 355 yards last week, becoming the third-fastest player in NFL history to reach 10,000 passing yards.



### Saints (4-7) at 49ers (6-4)

The 49ers are hitting their stride once again in the second half of the season. They will try to win four straight in the regular season for the first time since 2019. San Francisco has outscored the opposition 54-0 in the second half during the winning streak, 49ers OB Jimmy Garoppolo has thrown at least two TD passes in five of his past six games. The Saints are hoping for their first back-to-back victories this season. The Saints have won only once on the road this season, in Week 1 at Atlanta.



### **Buccaneers (5-5) at Browns (3-7)**

Following a trip to Germany and a bye, Tom Brady and Tampa Bay are well rested. Brady is 7-1 in his career against Cleveland. The Bucs will look to exploit the Browns' awful rushing defense, which has given up at least 160 yards five times this season. This will be Browns quarterback Jacoby Brissett's final start before giving way to Deshaun Watson, who returns from is suspension next week.



### Packers (4-7) at Eagles (9-1)

The Eagles rebounded from their first loss of the season by defeating the Colts last week to improve to an NFL-best 9-1. The slumping Packers are on life support regarding the postseason after dropping six of their past seven games. Combined with his 2,407 yards passing, Philly QB Jalen Hurts ranks fourth in the NFL in total yards (2,847) and also fourth in total TDs (23).



### Bears (3-8) at Jets (6-4)

The Jets benched underachieving QB Zach Wilson after he was 9 of 22 for a measly 77 yards in their 10-3 loss to New England last week. The Jets managed just two total yards on seven possessions in the second half. Mike White will start. The Bears have lost four in a row and have their own quarterback issues. Starter Justin Fields is dealing with an injury to his non-throwing shoulder.

### Texans (1-8-1) at Dolphins (7-3)

The Dolphins will look to win their fifth straight game coming off a bye week and a Week 10 blowout win over Cleveland. Behind QB Tua Tagovailoa, the Dolphins have the No. 3 offense in the NFL and will pose a tough threat for the Texans' 31st-ranked defense. Miami is the only NFL team with two of the top 10 leading receivers in Tyreek Hill and Jaylen Waddle. Houston is coming off a 23-10 loss to the Commanders in Week 11. The Texans have lost their past five games.

### Falcons (5-6) at Commanders (6-5)

This is a matchup of mobile quarterbacks who can extend plays. Marcus Mariota has been a boon to the Falcons running game almost as much as their passing game in his first season with the team. Taylor Heinicke is Washington's starter even with Carson Wentz ready to return from surgery to repair a broken finger. Both are in the mix for wild card playoff spots in the NFC. Washington coach Ron Rivera is looking for his 100th coaching victory, counting the regular season and

### Broncos (3-7) at Panthers (3-8)

Denver's Latavius Murray is expected to see additional carries with Chase Edmunds out with an ankle sprain and the Broncos having released Melvin Gordon earlier in the week because of fumbling issues. Murray has scored three TDs on the ground in the past four games. Marlon Mack could see an increased role as Denver's No. 2 running back. Pantners DE Brian Burns continues to be a beast with eight sacks, 50 tackles and 14 QB hits. Denver has dominated the series, winning the past four matchups.

### Ravens (7-3) at Jaguars (3-7)

Baltimore goes for its fifth consecutive victory. They have built a double-digit lead in every game this season and haven't trailed by double digits. The only other teams to accomplish that feat through the first 10 games of a season were the 1942 Chicago Bears and 1984 Miami Dolphins. The Jaguars dropped six of seven games before their bye week. Baltimore and Jacksonville have alternated wins and losses in each of their last nine meetings.

### Chargers (5-5) at Cardinals (4-7)

Both teams have lost three of their past four games. The Chargers have dropped back-to-back close games, while the Cardinals are coming off an embarrassing 38-10 loss to the San Francisco 49ers in Mexico City on Monday. The Cardinals hope quarterback Kyler Murray will be available to play after missing the past two games with a sore hamstring. Arizona is just 1-4 at State Farm Stadium this season.

### Raiders (3-7) at Seahawks (6-4)

The Seahawks are coming off their bye and play five their final seven games at home. The Raiders snapped a three-game losing streak with last week's overtime win over Denver. The Raiders have not traveled to Seattle since 2014 and haven't faced the Seahawks since 2018 in London. Raiders DE Chandler Jones has a strong history against the Seahawks with 16½ sacks, 12 tackles for loss and six forced fumbles in 11 games, although he has just a half sack so far this season.

### Rams (3-7) at Chiefs (8-2)

Prior to the start of the season, many thought this could be a Super Bowl preview as the teams meet for the first time since 2018 when L.A. won an epic 54-51 thriller. But the Rams are riding their first four-game losing streak under Sean McVay while the Chiefs have won four straight since a close loss to Buffalo in mid-October. The Rams run defense ranks fourth in the league and is one of their rare bright spots this season. L.A. QB Matthew Stafford was in concussion protocol

### Steelers (3-7) at Colts (4-6-1), **Monday**

This is the Colts' first Monday night home game in 7 ½ years, but it's less than a marquee matchup. Both teams rank among the league's lowest in scoring. Both have lost two of their last three and have struggled throughout the season. Both have made quarterback changes and now both are fighting to stay in the playoff mix. The Steelers have dominated this series since the 1970s and have won the past seven meetings. Pittsburgh's Mike Tomlin has had three eight-loss seasons during his 16-year stint as coach, but has never had a sub-.500 season.

### **STANDINGS**

**AMERICAN CONFERENCE** 

EAST	W-L-T	Pct	PF	DΔ	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Buffalo	8-3-0		309		4-1-0	4-2-0	5-2-0		0-2-0
Miami		.700			4-1-0	3-2-0	5-2-0	2-1-0	2-1-0
N.Y. Jets	6-4-0				2-3-0	4-1-0	5-4-0	1-0-0	2-2-0
N. England	6-5-0				3-2-0	3-3-0	5-2-0	1-3-0	2-1-0
SOUTH	W-L-T	Pct		PA		Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Tennessee	7-3-0				3-1-0	4-2-0	5-2-0		3-0-0
Indianapolis					2-3-0	2-3-1		0-2-0	1-3-1
Jacksonville	3-7-0				2-3-0	1-4-0		0-3-0	1-2-0
Houston	1-8-1	.150	159	230	0-4-1	1-4-0	1-4-1	0-4-0	1-1-1
NORTH	W-L-T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Baltimore	7-3-0	.700	248	199	3-2-0	4-1-0	4-2-0	3-1-0	2-0-0
Cincinnati	6-4-0	.600	265	215	3-1-0	3-3-0	3-3-0	3-1-0	1-3-0
Cleveland	3-7-0	.300	240	269	2-3-0	1-4-0	2-6-0	1-1-0	2-1-0
Pittsburgh	3-7-0	.300	170	244	2-3-0	1-4-0	1-6-0	2-1-0	1-2-0
WEST	W-L-T	Pct	PF	PΑ	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Kansas City	8-2-0	.800	300	233	4-1-0	4-1-0	5-2-0	3-0-0	3-0-0
LA Chargers	5-5-0	.500	227	258	2-3-0	3-2-0	4-3-0	1-2-0	2-2-0
Denver	3-7-0	.300	147	171	2-3-0	1-4-0	2-6-0	1-1-0	0-3-0
Las Vegas	3-7-0	.300	225	242	2-2-0	1-5-0	3-5-0	0-2-0	2-2-0
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### SCORES AND SCHEDULE

Thursday's results Buffalo 28, Detroit 25 Dallas 28, N.Y. Giants 20 Minnesota 33, New England 26 Sunday's games

Atlanta at Washington, noon Baltimore at Jacksonville, noon Chicago at N.Y. Jets, noon Cincinnati at Tennessee, noon Denver at Carolina, noon Houston at Miami, noon Tampa Bay at Cleveland, noon L.A. Chargers at Arizona, 3:05 p.m. Las Vegas at Seattle, 3:05 p.m. L.A. Rams at Kan. City, 3:25 p.m. New Orleans at S. Francisco,

3:25 p.m. Green Bay at Philadelphia, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's games Pittsburgh at Indianapolis,

7:15 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 1 Buffalo at New England,

7:15 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4

Cleveland at Houston.noon Denver at Baltimore, noon Green Bay at Chicago, noon Jacksonville at Detroit, noon N.Y. Jets at Minnesota, noon Pittsburgh at Atlanta, noon Tenn. at Philadelphia, noon Washington at N.Y. Giants, noon Miami at S. Francisco, 3:05 p.m. Seattle at L.A. Rams, 3:05 p.m. Kan. City at Cincinnati, 3:25 p.m. L.A. Chargers at Las Vegas, 3:25 p.m.

Indianapolis at Dallas, 7:20 p.m. Open: Arizona, Carolina

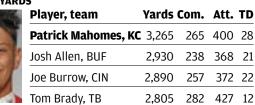
Monday, Dec. 5 New Orleans at Tampa Bay. 7:15 p.m.

GAMES O	N LOCAL TV	
Noon, Sun.	Cincinnati at Tennessee	CBS
Noon	Chicago at NY Jets	FOX
3:25 p.m.	LA Rams at Kansas City	FOX
7:20 p.m.	Green Bay at Philadelphia	NBC
7:15 p.m., Mon.	Pittsburgh at Indianapolis	ESPN

### **SEASON LEADERS**

After Week 11 (Does not include Thursday night)

### **PASSING YARDS**





s Player, team	Yards	Δtt.	Long	TD
Derrick Henry, TEN	1,010			10
Saquon Barkley, NYG	953	213	68	6
Josh Jacobs, LV	930	183	43	7
Nick Chubb, CLE	923	174	41	11

### RECEIVING YARD



DS Player, team	Yards	Rec.	Long	TD
Tyreek Hill, MIA	1,148	81	64	4
Justin Jefferson, MIN	1,093	72	64	4
Stefon Diggs, BUF	1,033	76	53	8
Davante Adams, LV	925	64	58	10

### THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

Nov. 23, 1975: Minnesota's Fran Tarkenton became the alltime completions leader in the NFL with his 2,840th completion in the Vikings' 28-13 win over San Diego.

Nov. 25, 1925: Red Grange, playing his first game as a professional with the Chicago Bears, was held to 36 yards in a 0-0 tie with the Chicago Cardinals.

Nov. 25, 2002: Ozzie Newsome became the first black general manager in NFL history, signing a new five-year contract with the Baltimore Ravens that included an upgrade in

Nov. 25, 2018: LA Charger QB Philip Rivers set an NFL single-game record completing 25-straight passes in a 45-10 win over the Arizona Cardinals.

Nov. 26, 1989: Willie "Flipper" Anderson of the Los Angeles Rams set an NFL game record with 336 yards receiving. Anderson had 15 catches, one for a touchdown, in the Rams' 20-17 overtime victory over the New Orleans Saints.

### THE NUMBER

In Dallas' Thanksgiving Day victory over the Giants, Cowboys pass-rushing star Micah Parsons had his sixth two-sack game of the season, accounting for all of his team-leading 12.



## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26,

### Dawson

From B1

models to follow to learn football and picked up everything he could.

"They taught me the ropes and how to be a leader and how to grow into a great football player like they were," Dawson said of his older brothers.

A three-year varsity player for the Cardinals, Dawson learned a valuable lesson about varsity football on his very first play. As he was covering the opening kickoff in Chi-Hi's 2020 season opener at River Falls, Goodman started to slow down when the return went well away from him.

But a River Falls blocker wasn't done with the play.

"The play was almost over and I almost eased up and that was when I got my mentality changed and I got walloped right at the end of the play." Dawson said. "Put right on my back and was like alright, this is how I've got to play varsity football."

Longtime Chi-Hi coach Chuck Raykovich is familiar with the Goodman family with John serving on his staff in addition to all three brothers playing for the Cardinals and said that football family lineage is easy to see in player with significant experi-Dawson's play.

"He's very, very, very special," Raykovich said. "He was brought dad being a coach and his two older brothers are playing college."

Dawson said it's the family feeling football brings that he likes the most. He's had teammates since he was little that have now become brothers.

the field," Raykovich said of Dawson.

### Stepping up

As a junior, Goodman registered 123 total tackles and four team honors.

Chi-Hi finished 8-3 and advanced to the second round of the season for the Cardinals. of the Division 1 playoffs with Goodman playing a part in 17 total tackles in his team's 22-21 overtime win at Stevens Point in unit trotted out for a 34-yard the first round. But the Cardinals field goal attempt by Esubalew graduated a large and influential Mason to win the game. The senior class and entered this sea-

CHIPPEWA FALLS

**BRANDON BERG, CHIPPEWA HERALD** 

Chi-Hi senior Dawson Goodman is a multi-year starter and has been a key fixture on the gridiron for the Cardinals.

sides of the ball.

Dawson was a rare returning ence and saw his roles expand. He took snaps at running back for the first time since his youth up in a football family with his days and ultimately ran for 365 yards and four touchdowns on ons. just 48 carries — with his first carry of the season going 39 vards for a touchdown in the opener at Holmen.

"You could've put him at any position on the field and he would've been a standout," "He's like having a coach on Raykovich said of Goodman. I just set my eyes on the ball and **Looking ahead** "He's tough, he fought through a difficult injury this year to have man said. the year he did is really special."

on special teams as a kickoff and punt returner and held on field situation that Goodman helped all season. provide the most iconic moment With Chi-Hi and River Falls tied at 14 in overtime on Sept. 30, Goodman and the special teams son with many new faces on both tried to scoop the ball and return culture from last year," Goodman and has been heavily involved man said.

River Falls fumbled the ball. After a lateral, the ball ended up in eventual Big Rivers co-champi-

feeling when the team came out for the field goal attempt and believes if River Falls didn't get a hand on the kick, it would've went through.

"It got blocked and from there started playing football," Good-

The senior was his usual stel-Goodman was also a key cog lar self on the back end of a rock solid Chi-Hi defense that finished second in the conference interceptions for the Cardinals goal and extra point attempts. in points allowed (99) and alas he earned All-Big Rivers first It was in a field goal holding lowed just 14 points per game

> From the outset of the season, Goodman and the team's senior class helped forge a tightknit team that had a legitimate chance to win each game it

> iob of teaching the underclass-

it for a winning touchdown, but said. "We were kind of a buildeach-other-up type mentality and we really didn't let anyone Goodman's hands and he raced fall off the train at the beginout and down the sidelines for ning of the season. That helped the winning touchdown over the us form into the really tight-knit team we had."

Goodman led the team in tack-Goodman said he had a good les (93) and grabbed three interceptions as his play was noticed on a statewide level as he was a finalist for the Jim Leonhard the school," Raykovich said of award and was an all-state honorable mention.

Goodman plans to join his older brothers as collegiate players after he graduates from Chi-Hi in the spring.

He has more campus visits to make before he makes his decision of where to play. But wherever Goodman lands, Raykovich field since he first tried on his believes that program is landing a gem.

"I feel like I'm giving some college coach a winning lottery ticket, to be honest with you," Raykovich said.

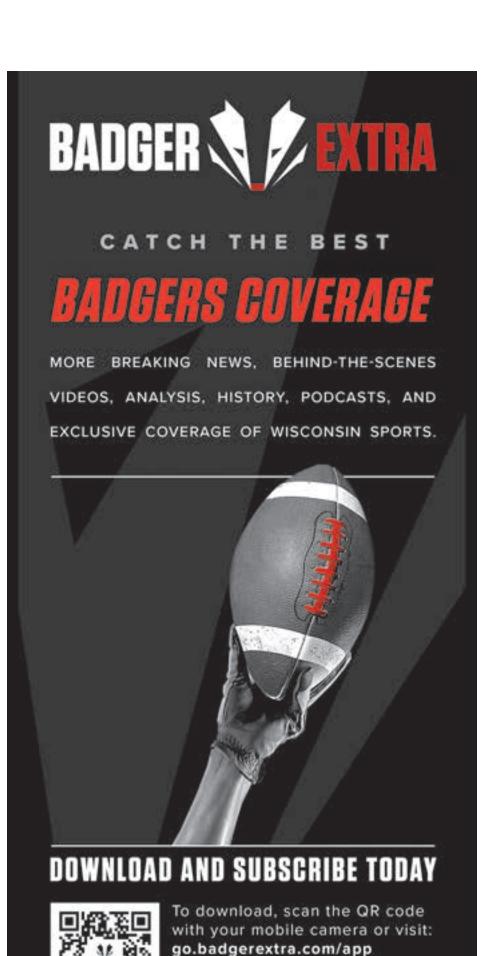
"I think the seniors did a good Cardinals isn't limited to his onthe-field play. Goodman was a still go out there and compete Wildcats blocked the kick and men last year to carry on the captain for the Cardinals this fall with the best of them," Good-

with the program's captains projects during his high school career. In the fall Goodman teamed up with Kolbe Solberg to sell hot dogs during the school's fall code meeting with the proceeds going to the school's Cardinal Landing, a place for students in need to acquire supplies and clothing.

"He is so respected around Goodman, "He's special, There isn't a kid in school that doesn't love Dawson because he treats people right. He's a true leader in the school."

But for Goodman it always comes back to family - not just his family that has helped mold him into the person and football player he is today. But the family he has built on the football older brother's practice gear as a youngster.

"My most favorite part was we were never the biggest team, but we played with the most heart and we always were able to But Goodman's impact on the overcome that obstacle that we weren't the biggest but we can



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