

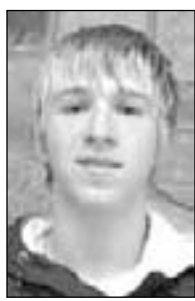
LaSalle Competes in First SAC Meet

By David Latva
LaSalle High School boys finished fifth and the girls sixth during the first Straits Area Conference (SAC) cross country meet of the season Tuesday, September 12, at Rogers City. This is the first of three SAC jamboree meets with league members that include St. Ignace, Cedarville, Pickford, Rudyard, Newberry, Sault High, Rogers City, and Cheboygan.

"I was pleased with the effort of our runners in the first league meet," said Saints Coach Holly Brown.

Cheboygan with 47, Newberry 89, the host Hurons 115, Rudyard 127, St. Ignace 194, Pickford 277, and Cedarville 306.

Erica Ahlich placed 18th to lead the Saints with a time of 24:55.43, followed by Stevie Gould in 26:15.98, Ivy Thurston in 26:48.44, and Sara Tafelski in 27:35.51.



Jake Weiss
St. Ignace

isher for the girls in 16th place in 25:28. Ivy Thurston placed 17th in 25:44, Paige Paul 19th in 25:52, Stevie Gould in 26:11, Sara Tafelski in 26:13, and Stacy Goldthorpe in 29:17.



Erica Ahlich
St. Ignace

Panthers, Trojans, Raiders, Comets in Class D Division

Pickford girls placed third and the Mackinaw City boys took third, followed by DeTour boys in fourth, and Pickford boys in fifth place during the Ellsworth Invitational.

Jasmine Ledy finished second for the Panthers with a time of 21:20. Megan Arbic placed 17th in 23:46, Callie Smith 18th in 23:53, Jamie Riffenberg in 24:12, and Kaylynn Portice in 28:33.



Kristen Olsen
St. Ignace

Kara Griffin of Cedarville took fourth place with a time of 22:30, Rebecca Gregg finished in 24:22, and Laura Fussman of DeTour was timed in 24:38.

Kristen Schmitz placed 27th to lead Pickford, while Holly Womdergem finished in 28:34.43, Kaylynn Portice in 31:36.10, and Alysha Bjunes in 34:12.34.

Rebecca Gregg took 26th place in 25:56.50 and Katie Eberts finished in 29:45.87.

Saints Boys Third, Girls Fourth at Ellsworth Invitational

St. Ignace boys finished third and the girls placed fourth in the Class B/C Division of the Ellsworth Invitational Saturday, September 16. The top 20 runners in each division earned medals.

Dan Olsen placed 14th with a time of 19:11, Jake Weiss 18th in 19:29, Kaiden Shiemke in 19:45, Shane Spring in 21:28, Kevin Guillard in 21:31, Eric Hinsman in 24:00, and Lee Kelso in 24:59.

Kristen Olsen was the top fin-

Rader's 295 Yards Lead Panthers, 42-20

Senior Caleb Rader rushed for 295 yards and scored five touchdowns to lead Pickford to a 42-20 non-conference win over White Pine of Ontario Friday, September 15.

Rader carried the ball 22 times and scored two 80-yard touchdown runs, one from 29 yards, one from four, and one from three yards out to lift the Panthers offense.

Alan Orr chipped in 74 yards on 12 carries, scored one touchdown, and two conversion runs. Kyle Barry notched 51 yards and three two-point conversions, Clayton Peffers tallied 14, and Paul Walsh charted 13.

McKinley Portice completed two of six passes for 31 yards, Tony Sherman caught one pass for 18 yards, and Orr one reception for 13 yards.

Walsh led the Panthers defense with 10 tackles, Rader chipped in seven stops and one pass interception, Jason King and Scott

Coullard added six, Barry tallied five, Joe Jenkins charted four with one fumble recovery, Matt Rose and Orr marked three, Caleb Knepper counted two, and Jordan Potter, Victor Merchand, and Sherman registered one.

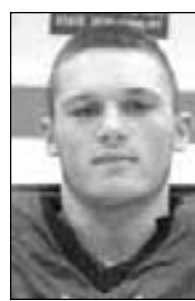
On the first play from scrimmage, Rader dashed 80 yards at 11:46 and Barry added the two-point conversion for an 8-0 lead. With 7:33 left in the first quarter, Rader answered from three yards out and Barry chipped in the extra-point conversion to increase the margin to 18-0.

White Pines scored to cut the lead to 18-6 before Rader scored his second 80-yard touchdown at

1:33 of the first period. Orr notched the extra point conversion and Rader closed out the first-half scoring with a four-yard TD run at 6:41, followed by a Barry conversion run for the Panthers' 30th point of the first half.

White Pine scored late in the second quarter and tallied its final touchdown in the fourth period while the Panthers scored two third-quarter touchdowns as Orr answered on a one-yard plunge and Rader rambled in from 29 yards out for the Pickford final score.

Pickford will host Bark River-Harris Friday, September 22, during an MEFC contest.



Caleb Rader
Pickford



Alan Orr
Pickford

Boys Division
Sault High finished first with 31 points, while Rogers City took second with 80 points. Rudyard notched 95, Cheboygan 123, St. Ignace 128, Cedarville 134, Newberry 157, and Pickford 292.

Jake Weiss led the Saints after placing ninth in 19:24.93, while Dan Olsen finished in 20:06.83, Kaiden Shiemke in 20:55.91, Kevin Guillard in 21:44.87, Shane Spring in 21:49.91, Eric Hinsman in 25:19.71, Lee Kelso in 26:50.31, and Lewis Steiner in 30:23.83.

Jordan Sweeney placed 13th in 19:57.33 to lead the Trojans. Sheldon Tassier finished in 20:30.25, Luke Murray in 20:52.39, Jim Eberts in 21:43.62, Clayton Myers in 21:55.97, Adam Dingman in 23:13.39, and Alex McMaken in 24:01.04.

Nic Raden completed the course in 19:58.26 for 14th place to lead the Panthers. Pat Savoie finished in 24:30.06 and Raymond Hill in 28:31.73.

Girls Division
Sault High won the girls class with 33 points, followed by

Rudyard Falls to Newberry in SAC Matchup

Bulldogs Beaten in Game That Starts Friday, Ends Saturday

A Rudyard-Newberry football game that was delayed owing to lack of officials until a 9:30 p.m. kickoff found the host Newberry Indians the victors by a score of 23-18. The game began Friday evening, September 15, but didn't reach its end until 12:15 a.m. Saturday, September 16.

By Michigan High School Athletic Association rules, the game cannot be played without referees, so Brandon Bruce, athletic director and coach at Newberry, found officials at Engadine who could officiate the game after the Eagles and North Dickinson contest was complete. Finally at 9:30 p.m., the kickoff between Bulldogs and Indians took place.

"Coach Bruce and I talked about

other options and the best scenario was to wait and play Friday," said Bulldogs Coach Pat Maloney. "It was a long delay and I feel it played a factor in the game."

The Bulldogs took a 12-0 lead, but couldn't hold on as the Indians posted the SAC win.

Owen McGrath, the Rudyard quarterback, put the Bulldogs up 12-0 on a three-yard touchdown at 1:30 of the first quarter and a one-yard score at 3:44 of the second period. Newberry cut the Rudyard lead to 12-8 at halftime with a touchdown in the final 33 seconds of the first half.

The Indians added two third-quarter touchdowns to build the

advantage to 23-12 before Rudyard answered with a three-yard score by Kasey Gregg to cut the Newberry lead to 23-18. Rudyard attempted an onside kick, but the Indians recovered and ran out the clock.

McGrath completed six of nine passes for 110 yards and rushed for 42 yards on 13 carries, David Kelly had one reception for 67 yards, Dan Bartley added three receptions for 43 yards, and James Perry rushed for 24 yards on five carries.

Marcus Chantos led the Bulldogs defense with 10 tackles. McGrath added eight stops, Pete Lawlor chipped in seven with two pass interceptions, C.J. Knutsen notched seven, and Jeff Briggs tallied five with one sack and one fumble recovery.

Rudyard, 1-3 on the season and 0-2 in the SAC, will play for the first time at home Friday, September 22, when St. Ignace visits for a league contest.



Marcus Chantos
Rudyard

Eagles Blanked by North Dickinson

North Dickinson scored six touchdowns to shut out Engadine 46-0 Friday, September 15, in a Mid-Eastern Football Conference (MEFC) match-up.

Grayson Hood led the Eagles with 75 yards on 15 carries. Dylan Dufflo added 22 yards, and Sung Hart chipped in 11 yards. Daron Emery completed two of four passes for 27 yards, Stefen Albright caught one pass for 22 yards, and David Derusha one for five yards.

Hood recorded 13 tackles for the

Eagles defense, while J.J. Troyer charted eight with one sack, Dufflo chipped in six, and Joel VanHise and Albright marked three.

Engadine travels to Rapid River to battle the Rockets in an MEFC contest Friday, September 22.

Saints JV Football

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Lester tallied four, Jordan Bruce, Mortensen, and Oja (interception) charted three, Bryant Danielson and Billy Grogan marked two, and Eric Brown, Jimmy Campbell, Jayson Fenlon, Stefan Saffian, France, and Robinson counted one each.

The Saints scored two first-quarter TDs on completions from Mortensen to Lester from 77 and 44 yards out, for a 12-6 lead.

St. Ignace took a 20-6 lead at the 2:06 of the second quarter on a McFarlane 15-yard run and two-point conversion pass from Lester to Oja. The Saints scored with no time on the clock on a 31-yard pass from Mortensen to LaDuke, for a 26-16 halftime advantage.

The Saints extended the lead to 33-12 as Lester scored from four yards out and Tamlyn kicked the extra point. France closed out the scoring with a 25-yard run early in the final period.

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