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Trojans Win MEFL Title; Post Perfect 9-0 Record

By David Latva

The Cedarville Trojans recorded their second consecutive Mid-Eastern Football League (MEFL) title and earned an undefeated regular season with a 25-6 road victory against the North Dickinson Nordics Friday, October 24.

The Trojans (9-0 overall, 7-0 MEFL) registered their 18th consecutive regular season win at Felch, the Nordics' home town.

Steady rain played a factor for both teams during the game, as just 13 combined points were scored in the first half for the two typically high scoring offenses.

"We stayed with our game plan on offense and both teams played smash-mouth defense," said Trojans Coach Scott Barr.

The Nordics (6-3 overall) scored their only touchdown at 5:11 of the first quarter for a 6-0 lead before Cedarville answered at

3:46 of the second quarter on a C.J. Paquin 17-yard rushing touchdown. Andrew Figures added an extra point kick for a 7-6 Trojans half-time lead.

"This was our first bad weather game of the season and once we got acclimated to the rain, we settled down and played our game," said Coach Barr. "Field position was a key during the entire game, and we didn't hurt ourselves."

Cedarville scored two passing touchdowns in the third quarter as Paquin completed a 12-yard scoring strike to Luke Murray at the 5:19 mark, and the senior quarterback combined with Tyler



Adam Dingman



Zach McFarlane



Tyler Anderson

Anderson of De-Tour for a 19-yard touchdown pass with 54 seconds remaining in the quarter to build a 19-6 advantage.

The Trojans completed their offensive punch as Paquin and Murray hooked up from 34 yards out with 3:01 left in the game to clinch the conference victory.

Seniors playing in their final regular season game were Alex McMaken, Wade Autore, C.J. Paquin, Paul Eberts, Luke Murray, Kaleb Barbeaux, Adam Dingman, Jordan Huff, Austin Bright, Michael Causley, Brett LaLonde, Andrew Figures, Josh Wilson, James Mitchell, Taylor Smith, Clayton Meyers, and Scott

McGreevy.

Trojans statistics: C.J. Paquin, eight of 11 passing for 147 yards, three touchdowns, 13 carries for 42 yards; Luke Murray, four receptions for 85 yards, two touchdowns; Zach McFarlane, 10 carries for 36 yards; Tyler Anderson, three receptions for 30 yards; Andrew Jaroche, one reception for 30 yards.

Trojans defensive statistics: Zach McFarlane, 17 tackles; James Mitchell, 12 tackles; Adam Dingman, 10 tackles, one block punt; Tyler Anderson, nine tackles; Luke Murray, seven tackles; Jordan Huff and C.J. Paquin, six tackles; Josh Wilson, three tackles.

Trojans Battle Snowbirds; Saints Tangle With Broncos

Playoffs: From page 14

A Look at Saints, Trojans' 1st Round Opponents

Broncos: Bark-River Harris Broncos are in the Mid-Eastern Football Conference, led by Head Coach Noe Derouin.

Players to watch on the team include quarterback Tyler Hanson, running back Eric White, receiver Dustin Getzloff, and defensive back Lucas Kleman.

Team colors are navy and gold and its the school's enrollment this year is 189 students.

Snowbirds: The Gaylord St. Mary Snowbirds play in the Ski Valley Conference and are led by first-year Head Coach Bob Chervinski.

Players to watch are quarterback Austin Lawnichak (544 yards passing, four passing touchdowns, 543 yards rushing, seven rushing touch-

downs); half back Arron Sitkiewicz (715 rushing yards, eight touchdowns); half back Justin Malczyk (621 rushing yards, and 14 touchdowns); receiver Peter Spyhalski (428 yards receiving, four touchdowns); and, on defense, brothers Matt Churches (76 tackles) and Chris Churches (60 tackles).

Team colors for the Snowbirds are blue and white and its school enrollment this year is 100 students.

Other Playoff Games of Interest

Division 8: Baraga (6-3) at Crystal Falls Forest Park (9-0), North Dickinson (6-3) at Lake Linden-Hubbell (8-1), Hillman (5-4) at Bay City All-Saints (6-3), and AuGres-Sims (6-3) at Mio (6-3).

Division 7: Ishpeming (5-4) at West Iron County (6-2), Mancelona (6-3) at Manistique (6-3), and Whittemore-Prescott (6-3) at Traverse City St. Francis (8-1).

Division 6: Charlevoix (5-4) at Iron Mountain (9-0) and Calumet (7-2) at Boyne City (8-1).

Division 5: Menominee (5-4) at Negaunee (8-1) and Elk Rapids (7-2) at Gladstone (7-2).

Division 4: Kingsford (6-3) at Cheboygan (8-1).

Division 3: Ogemaw Heights (5-

4) at Petoskey (8-1), Escanaba (5-4) at Bangor John Glenn (7-2), and Haslett (6-3) at East Lansing (6-3).

Division 2: Traverse City Central (5-4) at Bay City West (8-1) and Lansing Everett (7-2) at Lowell (9-0).

Division 1: Traverse City West (6-3) at Rockford (8-1).

2008 Regular Season Records

St. Ignace Saints (7-2 overall, 2-2 conference)
W vs. Charlevoix 43-22
W vs. East Jordan 37-25
W vs. Newberry 43-8*
W vs. Rogers City 62-29
W vs. Rudyard 41-8*
L vs. Cheboygan 41-14*
L vs. Sault Ste. Marie 21-16*
W vs. Glen Lake 34-13
W vs. Manistique 37-26
* conference play

Cedarville Trojans (9-0 overall, 7-0 conference)
W vs. Posen 51-7
W vs. Engadine 51-6*
W vs. North Central 41-0
W vs. Rapid River 41-0*
W vs. Brimley 55-0*
W vs. Bark River 33-14*
W vs. North Central 43-6*
W vs. Pickford 47-16*
W vs. North Dickinson 25-6*
* conference play

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Eagles Retain Weather Bowl Cup

The Engadine Eagles used a balanced offense and a stingy defense to retain the Weather Bowl Cup after a 48-0 shut out win over the Brimley Bays in a Mid-Eastern Football League (MEFL) match-up Friday, October 24.

The Weather Bowl traveling cup was formed in 1981 by Engadine Superintendent Ron Leveille and Brimley Superintendent Gordon Newell, and is traditionally presented to the winner of the final game of the season

between the Eagles and Bays.

The Eagles (2-7 overall, 1-6 MEFL) scored in every quarter that kicked off with a five-yard Tim Rose run in the opening 12 minutes, for a 6-0 lead.

Engadine increased its lead to 26-0 at halftime as Phillip Hood answered with three touchdowns on runs of 13, three, and four yards, respectively, and Michael Klobucher added two extra point kicks.

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