

SPORTS

Dallas readies for Crestwood after loss

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Dallas Coach Ted Jackson makes no excuses for his Mountaineers 21-8 loss to Pittston last Friday night. "Pittston deserved to win," Jackson said. "Our kids didn't play bad but they didn't play good-just so-so. Pittston played better than we did and it helped that they had J.R. Richards back. He gave them the lift they needed."

"The Patriots played with confidence and that came from Richards. He executed beautifully when we were ahead. He played a great game, Jackson stated."

Jackson didn't take anything away from the rest of the Pittston team. He gave their defense credit for some good performances. Phil Pisano took eight of Richards' passes and intercepted two of Jay Straigs' passes, who had four interceptions in the game. Errors and penalties also hurt the Mountaineers and their offense didn't play as it usually does.

The Mountaineers were given two points in the second quarter when Richards slipped with the ball inside his own endzone and caused a safety. Jerry Ogurkis put the Mountaineers in front with a touchdown in the fourth quarter when he went

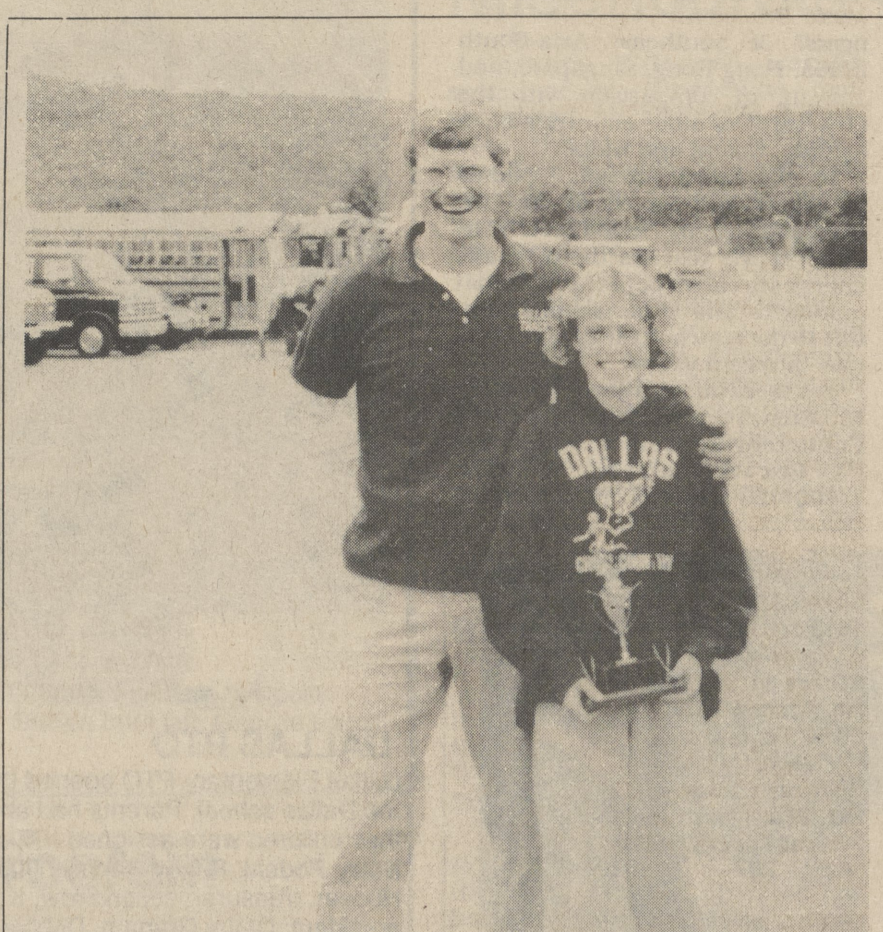
26 yards for a touchdown. His kick for the extra point failed.

Richards led his team in a nine play 60-yard drive that ended in a touchdown hit from Richards to Lenza for six points and a two-point conversion pass to Pisano gave the PATs a 14-8 lead. The next Pittston score came after Pisano's interception of a Straigs pass at the Dallas 25-yard line. On third down Fran George took the ball into the endzone for six points. Cosmos Salerno kicked the extra point to give the PATs their 21-8 win.

"Straigs is doing a good job for us coming in as he has had to without much experience but with Crestwood coming up we hope Jay Cherup will be back. (Cherup was injured in the Tunkhannock game). It's too early to tell whether or not he'll be able to play, we won't know until Thursday or Friday."

"Crestwood is a division game and we need to win. They're tough. They have won their last three games and the past week they played a super game against Nanticoke, almost perfect. We have our work cut out for us, it's not going to be easy," Jackson predicted.

Dallas hosts the Comets at the Mountaineers field with game time at 2 p.m.



TOP RUNNER - Gretchen Schuler, top runner for the Lady Mountaineers, is shown with her high school coach William Kvashay after setting a new track record at Dallas last week. (Photo contributed)

Gretchen Schuler stars for Dallas cross country

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Dallas sophomore Gretchen Schuler is becoming a well-known athlete among Back Mountain fans.

Gretchen, a member of the Dallas High School girls cross country team, has set two new records over the Mountaineers 3.2 track, her latest finish in 20:10 and has come in first in all but two of the Lady Mountaineers meets this season.

Last season, as a freshman, Gretchen ran cross country and played junior high field hockey. This season she gave it a lot of thought before she finally decided to give up playing field hockey and concentrate on cross country.

Gretchen started running when she was in seventh grade and was a member of the track team. She enjoyed running and decided she wanted to continue because it makes her feel good. She runs daily averaging approximately five miles each day.

"It's relaxing after a bad day in school," said Gretchen. "I hope to break another record for the Dallas team and also place in districts and go to states. My goal at states is to place in the top 10 runners."

Last year Gretchen qualified for states and made the top 12 after coming in second in district competition.

During the summer she ran in the YMCA's three mile race and placed first in her age group.

Gretchen plans to go out for track in the spring where she enters a mixture of events, sprints and long runs. During her freshman year, she did the 400, 800 mile and two mile relays.

She hopes someday to run in the Olympics but says it will be a while.

This year the girls have a full team with Schuler, sophomore Lynn Baluh, Sherry Terescavage, a junior; Kerry Burke, Kelly Terescavage, Ann Balonis and Tracy Karuza.

Gretchen, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Larry Schuler of Shavertown, runs with her dad during the summer.

In her leisure time she likes to watch basketball and volleyball when they are in season.

Although only a sophomore, Gretchen is looking forward to the future when she plans to attend college. In the meantime, she is concentrating on running. She has one more league meet, a tri-meet with Hazleton and Wyoming Area, October 18, and then district competition October 27.

Knights top O'Reilly 34-6, GAR is next

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Going into this week's game with Bishop O'Reilly Lake-Lehman Coach Rich Gorgone knew his Knights had the potential to win their game with the Queensmen. Knowing they had the potential and being sure they would use it was the question. He had some reservation because O'Reilly's coach Mark Boyle was a graduate of Lake-Lehman and two years ago was an assistant coach for the Knights.

"I didn't have to worry for very long Saturday," Gorgone said after the game commenting on his Knights 34-6 win. "On our first possession the kids drove downfield and Rich James went in from the six for a touchdown. Chris Engle's kick was good and we were in front 7-0."

"That was just the beginning. On our next possession Lenny Annetta hit John Baranowski with a perfect throw and Baranowski ran down the side for a second touchdown and Engle's kick was good to give us a first period 14-0 lead."

"Our kids played well although we did have O'Reilly outmanned. It was good for us because it gave our younger kids an opportunity to get experience. It was a great game to win at midway in the season. I'm happy with 5-1, it's a long time since

we have had such a record at this point. Our concern now is GAR this Saturday. The game with them counts and the Grenadiers are an explosive team."

"They have some excellent athletes and two or three great backs we'll have to stop. They're a first and goal team and their backs can run all over the place."

The Knights were too much for the Queensmen as they controlled the ball most of the time and played a great running game piling up nearly 200 yards on the ground.

O'Reilly's quarterback Steve Fahey threw some nice passes but the Knights' first team did a good job of defending. In the second quarter, Annetta connected with Rich Hillman for a second touchdown pass to give the Knights a 21-0 lead.

When the Queensmen took possession they were unable to move the ball and had to kick. O'Reilly's Roberts punted for 36 yards to Rob Michaels on the Knights 40 yard line but Michaels faked to the middle then crossed to the sideline and ran for a 60 yard touchdown to give the Knights a 27-0 score.

In the second half Gorgone used his bench and gave all of his players an opportunity to get in the game which cut down the score. The younger Knights scored only one touchdown but Gorgone was pleased with they way they played.

Lake-Lehman sports roundup

Field hockey ties WWV, shuts out Northwest 6-0

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Girls field hockey ties one, wins one

Lake-Lehman's Lady Knights tied the Valley West Spartans in the first half of their hockey match Friday afternoon, then in a 10-minute overtime battle came away with the 1-1 tie.

With only nine minutes remaining in the first half, Carolyn James knocked in a goal off an assist by Wendy Skibitsky to take a 1-0 lead. In 29:25 of the half West's Michelle Rittinger scored off an assist by Genie Dougherty to tie it up.

After 10-minutes overtime the match ended in the 1-1 tie.

In Wednesday's game, James knocked in two goals, Trudy Wandel hit one in and Erin Brady scored to lead the Knights to a 6-0 win over Northwest. Julie Hess and Tracey Wargo also scored goals for the Knights to give them their shutout.

man and Viggli Augustison scored the other goals for the Comets.

Cross Country tops Hoban and Hanover

The Knights cross country runners made it a clean sweep over Bishop Hoban and Hanover Area Friday paced by Ed Radzinski who came in first with a time of 16:08. E. Campbell came in third, Jim Hutchins fourth, Jason Yencha sixth and Len Schwartz eighth.

The Knights took Hoban 18-38 and Hanover Area 19-37. The Argents took the Hawks.

Volleyball defeats North Pocono

North Pocono girls defeated the Lady Knights in volleyball 15-6, 15-12 in Thursday's action. Andrea Mazur led the Knights with six service points and Jill Shaw had four kills for her team.

Earlier in the week, Tunkhannock ran their winning streak to 21 by defeating the Knights 15-5, 15-9. The 2-0 win avenged the Tigers 15-11 loss to Lake-Lehman in the second game of the Tigers match victory in 1987.

Golf loses to Pittston

Lake-Lehman golfers were defeated by Pittston 199-204 led by Jim Lucasavage and Matt Burdette who shot 48 each. Damon Barbacci fired a 41 over the Irem Temple course for low match score. Todd Sallo hit 50. Dave Payne 51 and MaryJo Martini shot 52 for the Knights who are now 4-6.

Dallas sports roundup

Soccer wins twice to stay in race for title

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Field Hockey scores two shutouts

Dallas Mounts field hockey team continued one-half game behind Crestwood last week by defeating Meyers 2-0 Friday afternoon. The Lady Mounts scored both goals in the first half with Sue Richardson scoring off an assist by Courtney Butler.

Earlier in the week, the Mounts shut out Honesdale 4-0 sparked by Wells two goals early in the first half. She scored her first goal at 7:18 into the half and less than six minutes later scored a second off a penalty corner set up by Renee Strausser. Wendy Hozempa and Sue Richardson scored the other two goals, Richardson knocking hers in unassisted. Hozempa scored off an assist by Jenny Moran.

Soccer tops Crestwood, WWV

Coach John McCafferty's Dallas Mountaineers stayed on the heels of Bishop Hoban last week by defeating Crestwood 5-1 Thursday and taking the Spartans 4-2 in overtime Tuesday.

Tom Shone's hat trick led the Mountaineers to their win when he scored goals in second, third and fourth periods. Dale Morris started the Dallas scoring at 16:15 of the first period on an assist by Ken Kozel. Matt McQuide scored a goal in the second period and also added two assists.

The Mountaineers played outstanding soccer against Valley West but were unable to get the ball in the net more than once to end the regulation game in a 1-1 tie.

Going into overtime, McCafferty made some changes by moving Kozel from backfield to midfield and the change paid off for Dallas. Kozel broke the tie in the first 10-minute overtime with only 3:30 remaining. Tom Shone scored his second goal with 35 seconds left in the first overtime with an assist off Dale Morris. With the score 3-1, Kozel scored again in the second overtime to make the score 4-1 with Mike McQuide on the assist.

Mike Bevevino scored the Spartans goal in overtime.

Dallas Mountaineers stopped Wallenpaupack's nine game winning streak Monday led by Matt MacQuide's three goals for a 6-0 shutout over the Buckhorns.

MacQuide is a transfer to Dallas from Tennessee and is a welcome addition to the team where he has combined with Jeff Tinner to strengthen the Mountaineers. Tinner has been the strength of the Mountaineers for the past two seasons and as he does in many of the games took the Mountaineers off to an early lead by scoring an unassisted goal less than five minutes into the game then adding a second goal off a direct kick to move Dallas to 2-0.

MacQuide scored his first of three shots in the second period and after a scoreless third period, he scored unassisted at the 11:27 mark and a third shot at the 18:25 mark in the final period. Ken Klimowitz scored

the final goal for the Mountaineers off an assist by Tinner.

Cross Country continues to win

Dallas harriers took eight of the top 10 places in their tri-meet with Coughlin and Northwest last Friday to take Coughlin 16-47 and Northwest 15-50.

Walt Fedor took first place honors with a 15:53 time over the 2.9 mile. Hugh Mundy and Steve Oliver finished in the next two spots with similar times of 15:54 and Jared Samuel also came in with an identical 15:54 time.

Mike Farris finished sixth with 16:13, John Aston 16:28, Jamie Strange 16:52 and Mike Danko 17:11.

Gretchen Schuler finished first in the girls run and Lynn Baluh came in fourth. Ann Balonis finished seventh for the Dallas girls who nipped the Rangers 27-28. Holly Peck, only runner for Coughlin, finished third.

Dallas Cross Country remains undefeated

Dallas harriers took both ends of a tri-meet to continue undefeated. The Mountaineers beat Berwick 15-49 and Bishop O'Reilly 15-50. The first Dallas runners broke last year's track time set by Ed Radzinski of Lake-Lehman. Hugh Mundy came in first with 17:05.8, Walt Fader next in 17:06.6, Steve Oliver 17:07 and Jared Samuel 17:09.

The girls split losing to Berwick 22-35 but defeated O'Reilly 20-35. Gretchen Schuler broke her own record of 20:29 set last Tuesday with a 20:10. Lynn Baluh came in fifth for Dallas. The girls record dropped to 5-5.

On Tuesday the boys defeated Seton Catholic and Bishop Hafey, both 15-50. The Mountaineers first nine runners were in the top 10. Dzanko came in first, Samuel second, followed by Farris, Oliver, Mundy, Strange, Fader, Austin and Evans.

Dallas girls also defeated their opponents Bishop Hafey and Seton Catholic with Schuler coming in first breaking last year's record set by Michelle Sterner last year.

Dallas golfers run record to 10-2

Senior Paul Navola and teammate sophomore Paul Deeble tied for medalist honors with each totaling 40 to lead Dallas in defeating Hazleton 179-188. Bill Royle shot 46 for the Mountaineers and Mark Fies and Jim O'Donnell hit 47's to increase the team record to 10-2.

On Wednesday Dallas handed Coughlin their first loss of the league season 170-177 on the Irem course. Mountaineer Jim Millauskas shared the medalist honors with Crusader Frank Palute both hitting 41. Mark Fies shot 42, Phil Navola 43, and Jim O'Donnell 44.

The Mountaineers started the week with a 181-193 win over Bishop Hoban led by Jim Millauskas who took medalist honors with 40 at the Edgwood golf course. O'Donnell added 45 and Fies and Navola tied with 45's.

Wrestling club registrations will be October 17 and 18

The Penn League Elementary Champions Back Mountain Wrestling Club will hold its registration for the 1988-1989 season on October 17, from 6-8:30 p.m. at Dallas Junior High School. Tuesday, Oct. 18, from 6-8:30 p.m. at Lehman Jackson Elementary School.

The Back Mountain Wrestling Club is a wrestling club for boys ages five years through 12 years old and they must be in kindergarten through 6th grade.

There is a \$10 registration fee for the first child, \$5 for each additional child. A birth certificate must accompany each child.

Sisters ages five through 12, may register to be cheerleaders. Girls must be in kindergarten through 6th grade.

For more information call 477-2635, 477-5215 or 675-4819.

Back Mountain Youth soccer playoffs begin

The Back Mountain Soccer League began its playoff games on October 1 to decide the eventual champion team in each of three age divisions.

In the U-10's the Cosmos defeated the Hurricanes 4-2 on the strength of Timmy Hannigan's four goals. The Cosmos defense was led by Daniel Breymer, Daniel Weller and goalie Joe Tarity. Josh Butler scored both goals for the Hurricanes.

The Pacers came out on top of the Roughnecks 5-1 as Daniel Tomedi, Chris Bath, and Adam Rutt hit the net. Goalie Kevin Burkhardt stopped four Roughneck shots, but Jason Schiber kicked one in for the Roughneck score. Jason Pope had two saves for the Roughnecks.

The Tornados lost to the Predators 9-1 as Mitch Bailey, Tony Giardino, Bobby Sapp and Jared McTague and Christy Callahan combined for the Predators goals. Kevin Shah had six saves for the Predator defense which was led by Bryan Banks, Erin Kavanagh, and Nicole Nackley. Jeff Harger scored the only Tornado goal while Pat Kane had 28 saves at goal, with Robert Gallagher and Hillary Pilost rounding out the defense.

Josh Dukas, Danny Son and Brad Dieffenbacher combined for four goals as the Leopards beat the Express 4-2. The Leopard defense was led by Dieffenbacher, Pat Rosenthal, Matthew Mertz, and keeper Sarah Podel, who had three saves. Kevin Pizzano and Ron Sutton scored for the Express, while Jeff Faneck and goalie Dan Rogers led the defense.

Erin Stair scored twice and Justin Holland once as the Kicks shut out the Fury 3-0. The Kicks were backed up by outstanding play by Eric Nygren as well as defensive players Ray Hadsall and Shaun Norconk.

The Warriors topped the Surf 6-4 as Joe Halowich, Chris Lohin, Bianca Brdaric and Joe Kukoski led the Warrior scoring backed up by Joe Sallitt, Bobbi Stogoski, Sheehan Gallagher, and Keepers Jeff Parker and Chris Lohin. J.T. Walsh, Josh Chollak, John McLaughlin, and Justin Kerr scored for the Surf. Surf defense was led by Andi Cap, J.V. Krohn, and goalies Josh Yoh and Ken Hoover.

In the U-12 division, the Thunder just got by the Aztecs 2-1 in a game decided by an overtime shootout. Mike Lykon scored for the Thunder while Nick Sabatini kicked the Aztecs' goal. Thunder goalie Fred Maier had four saves, while Chris O'Brien,

Doug Myers, and Kevin Williams rounded out the defense. The Aztec defense was led by goalie John Gruthowski and Scott Labbate.

The SoCcers topped the Lightning 3-1 as John Oliver and Randy Slaff combined for three goals. Ten saves were credited to keeper Charles Wasserott. Theresa Paxton scored the only Lightning goal.

Jeff Kunkle and Mike Viglone had hat tricks as the Rowdies defeated the Flash 7-1. Ken Marsola also scored for the Rowdies. Rowdie defense depended on goalie Mike Yoblonski, Sandy McCloud, Lisa Tomaine, and Adam Molesky. Jeremy Fleeger scored the only Flash goal.

The Comets lost to the SoCcers 3-0 as John Oliver and Randy Slaff scored the Soccer goals. Keeper Charles Wasserott had five saves. Eight saves were credited to Jason Krywicky for the Comets.

Mike Heffron, Jeremy Baranowski and Ryan Bombeck combined to lead the Thunder to a 6-4 win over the Sting. Fred Maier had eight saves with defensive help from Doug Myers, Chris O'Brien and Kevin Williams. Eric Dieffenbacher, Phil Gager and Tom Klimek scored for the Sting.

In U-14 play, the Timbers defeated the Inferno 2-0 as Sean Reynolds and Brad Wiedemeyer scored. Jed Aston had 20 saves at goal for the Timbers, and keeper Dave Keefer saved 15 for the Inferno.

The Avalanche won over the Diplomats 6-3 as Clive Lankwarden, Matt Keiper, Danny Lukasavage, and Seth Marlett led the scoring for the Avalanche. Tom Smiglieski and David Fosko contributed the Diplomat goals. Eight saves were credited to goalies David Jackubowski and Clive Lankwarden for the Avalanche, while Ben Stravinski had six saves for the Diplomats.

The Rogues were defeated 7-1 by Rockets as Matt Bailey, Gerry Williams, Mike Schrlau, and Cindy Maier combined for the win. The only Rogue goal came on a penalty kick by Mike Neal. Rocket defense was led by Chuck Weaver, Kevin Chapple, Matt Bailey, Steve Buckley and Valerie Prothero.

The Lancers defeated the Timbers 6-2 as Jason Reynolds, Will Woronko and Josiah Garlan led the offensive attack. Pat Scoble had 12 saves in goal with defensive help from Jeremy Williams and Josiah Garlan. Timber scoring came from Brian Dewees and Kevin Loeffler.