

Jr. Mounts A team defeats Eagles to get seventh victory

A TEAM

**Junior Mounts 42
Edwardsville Eagles 14**
The Dallas Junior Mounts A team picked up its seventh win of the season by defeating the Edwardsville Eagles, 42-14.

Brett Wanek ran for over 240 yards with four rushing touchdowns. Also scoring touchdowns on passes from Wanek were Jason Simonovich on a 3-yard reception and Shane Dunn with a 35-yard reception. The 2-point conversions were scored by Logan Bullock and Dunn. Picking up additional yardage for the mounts were Austin Smith, Logan Bullock and Jason Simonovich.

The Dallas defense was led by Donnie Behm, Billy Dixon, Zach Macosky, Ben Kon and Shane Dunn who had two interceptions. Dallas travels to Swoyersville today.

B TEAM

**Jr. Mounts 36
Edwardsville Eagles 14**
The Dallas B Team had another strong performance last Sunday as it defeated Edwardsville, 36-14, to continue its undefeated streak.

In the first quarter, Mark Michno broke loose for a 45-yard touchdown run and John Hutchins added two points on the conversion. In the second quarter on a fourth down and long, Dallas's Ryan Zapoticky broke several tackles to rush for a 62-yard touchdown, putting Dallas up 14-0. Edwardsville got on the board as #43 broke through the secondary and ran for an 80-yard touchdown. In the third quarter, Mikey Shutlock scored a TD for Dallas by rushing into the endzone.

The Dallas defense, led by John Hutchins, Ryan Monk, Russell Newell, Aaron Yurko and Mark Michno, drove Edwardsville back into its own endzone for a safety. Mikey Shutlock scored late in the fourth quarter from seven yards out to put the final score at 36-14.

C TEAM

**Jr. Mounts 32
Edwardsville Eagles 6**
The Dallas Jr. Mounts C team took home another victory last week against Edwardsville. The great blocking on the line by Jimmy Barlow, Spencer Bowanko, Aidan Martinez and Ryan Phillips allowed Cole Dixon, Matt Harrison and David Simpson to score for the Jr. Mounts.

The defensive line led by Keith Gillette, Justin Sweeney and Michael Farrel, once again held its opponents to just six points.

D TEAM

The Dallas Jr. Mounts D team used a ball control offense and a late defensive stop in the shadow of its own endzone to thrill the home crowd.

Joshua Lydon scored a touchdown and 2-point conversion and Jay Bittner added a touchdown behind the blocking of Sean Henniger, Kurtis Rynies and Tom Hajikowski.

Mannello, Oakley score; Bobcats win first

C TEAM

**Bobcats 16
Kingston Huskies 6**
What a great day for the Bobcats C team last Sunday when it defeated the Kingston Huskies, 16-6, to record their first victory of the season.

The Bobcats received the kick and started their offense drive on the 40-yard line. Bob Oakley and Cameron Brennan ran the ball to bring up two Bobcat first downs. On second and nine yards to go, Oakley broke free to score for the Bobcats. Stone Mannello scored the extra two points to put the Bobcats up, 8-0.

Charlie Kuschke kicked the ball to the Huskies and great tackles were made by Chris Mennig and Zach Haddle forced the Huskies to fumble the ball which Haddle recovered. Oakley and Mannello ran the ball with

great blocking by the offensive line of Dan Sweeney, Chris Mennig, Eric Sweppenheiser, Owen Morgen, Jacob Corey, Chris Allen and Zack Haddle. The Bobcats were unable to score and Oakley punted the ball on fourth down.

In the second quarter, the Bobcats played great defense. Kingston fumbled the ball and RJ Driscoll recovered it for the Bobcats. Oakley, Brennan, Mannello and Steven Darling all had good runs, advancing the Bobcats to the 35-yard line. But the Back Mountain boys turned the ball over on downs and Kingston scored with only 17 seconds left in the half. The 2-point conversation failed and the Bobcats were still ahead, 8-6.

Kingston received the ball on the 45-yard-line to begin the second half. With a help on the de-

fense by Devin Dickson, Dan Schnable, Marcus Steele, Zack Gable, AJ Spears and Anthony Grandinetti and great tackling by Haddle, Driscoll and Corey, the Bobcats forced the Huskies to punt on fourth down.

Oakley and Brennan ran for first downs and the Bobcats were on the 32-yard line. On fourth down and eight yards to go, Mannello did a power play boot left and scored for the Bobcats. Oakley completed the two point conversion and the Bobcats went ahead, 16-6.

Charlie Kuschke kicked off to the Huskies but great tackles by Oakley and Mennig forced the Huskies to turn over the ball on downs. With 2:50 left in the game, the Bobcats ran out the clock and captured their first win of the season.



Stone Mannello (No. 4) runs the ball for the Back Mountain Bobcats against the Kingston Huskies. Mannello would later score a touchdown to lead the Bobcats past the Huskies. The young Mannello dedicated the touchdown to his mother, Bonnie, who celebrated her birthday on game day.



Parker Voitek of the Kingston Township Raiders D team scores during the Raiders' third possession last Sunday against the Swoyersville Sailors.

Raiders dunk Sailors

The Kingston Township Raiders youth football program went 2-1 last weekend during week 7 of Wyoming Valley West Youth Football League action with wins at the B and C level. The WVWYFCC does not recognize scores or standings for D-level

games. For more Raiders info and game pictures, visit WWW.KTRAIIDER-S.ORG.

A TEAM

Swoyersville Sailors 44

Raiders 6

Kingston Township fell to 3-4 with a loss to the undefeated Swoyersville team. Jim Roccograndi scored on a 15-yard run behind the bolcking of Robert Baker, Nathan Kish, Kris Roccograndi and Luke Edwards.

B TEAM

**Raiders 20
Swoyersville Sailors 12**
The Kingston Township Raiders improved to 6-1 with a win over pro-

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Big boy Eagles offer gridiron tips to Bobcats

Members of the Back Mountain Bobcats youth football team got the thrill of a lifetime when they had the opportunity to work with players from the Scranton Eagles semi-professional football team. Fourteen players from the Scranton Eagles, along with their head coach, visited the Bobcats recently at the Dallas Middle School football field and conducted a clinic where they covered all football positions with the younger players. Everyone who attended the clinic received a ticket for free admission to the Scranton Eagles home game on September 22 at Scranton Memorial Stadium. The Back Mountain Bobcats is a football and cheerleading league for children ages 5 to 13 from the Back Mountain. The Bobcats were formed in 2006 because the



Scranton Eagles George Romiti, left, and Nick Parlanti, right, huddle with the "Bobcats" during a coaching session with the team.

three existing football and from the last weekend in Aucherleading leagues became gust to the first weekend in No-too large. Their season runs vember.

Wombats take first in County Cup

The Back Mountain Wombats U9 Girls Soccer Team recently came in first place in the Luzerne County Cup. Members of the team are, from left, first row, Shelby Smith, Madison Goodwin, Nicole Cavanaugh, Riley Oremus, Rachel Maniskas and Emma Lehman. Second row, Coach Terry Cavanaugh, Caitlyn Hill, Mikayla Sowga, Sara Lojewski and Coach Jay Maniskas. Absent at the time of photo was Maria Pino



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