



Runners take off at the beginning of a 5-kilometer run, part of the Second Annual Pump and Run Contest held on the Penn State Wilkes-Barre campus in Lehman on August 30 which was held in conjunction with the Arts at Hayfield Summer Festival.

## Pump and Run contest held at PSU

The Second Annual Pump and Run Contest, coordinated by Dr. Thomas G. Winter of the Penn State Wilkes-Barre Physics Department, enticed many competitors, both locally and out-of-state.

Held in conjunction with the annual Arts at Hayfield, the event saw contestants bench-pressing their body weight, or a percentage thereof, according to the age category in which they competed. This was followed by a five-kilometer run

held on a measured back-road course. The total results were then taken into account to determine the overall winners.

The overall top two male and top two female finishers in the combined pump and run contest received either cash awards or memberships to the Penn State Wilkes-Barre Athletics and Recreation Building.

Other leading contestants in the various age categories also received awards: 10 awards in 15-39 age group and five in each

of the other age groups. The overall top male and female runners also received awards.

The first five male overall winners were: Brian Lisowski, 42, of Throop; Craig Rome, 43, of Dallas; Dennis Tanner, 52; Tom Ducatte, 56 and Arthur Jordan, 46.

The first five female overall winners were: Kelly Rupp, 48, of Nescopeck; Nancy Lee Harmon, 50, of Berwick; Kyla Hennigan, 16; Val Tanner, 50 and Michele Jordan, 45.

## U9 SOCCER TEAM FINISHES THIRD AT FESTIVAL



A group of boys from the Back Mountain area took third place in the Luzerne County Soccer Festival. Their U9 soccer team is sponsored by Dupont Monument Shop. From left, first row, are Ibrahim Dabsheh, Donnie Thompson, Joshua Company, Jackson Steele, Benjamin Emershaw and Justin Timonte. Second row, Darryl Emershaw, parent helper; Michael Sinibaldi, Jaryn Polit-Moran, Andrew Mennig, Mason Cross, Matthew Roberts and Becky Emershaw, coach. Absent at the time of the photo were Zachary Palfey and Grant Palfey, assistant coach.

## COBRAS PARTICIPATE IN LUZERNE COUNTY FESTIVAL



The U-8 Back Mountain Cobras, sponsored by Central Clay Products Inc., recently participated in the Luzerne County Soccer Festival. Team members are, from left, first row, Carly Cavanaugh, Tanner Saracino, Rachel Klings, Natalie Knorr and Olivia Habib. Second row, Coaches Terry Cavanaugh and Victor Habib.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Larson will run in NY City Marathon

Kelly Larson, daughter of Jim and Dorothy Larson of Shavertown, will participate in the 40th Annual New York City Marathon on November 1.

Larson, a 2000 graduate of Dallas High School and a 2004 graduate of King's College, will run with Fred's Team to raise funds for research at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in memory of her godmother, Mary Ann Mihalick Connor.

Anyone interested in donating to this cause is asked to visit [fredsteam.mskcc.org](http://fredsteam.mskcc.org) or e-mail KellyLar-

son2009@gmail.com.

### Stingrays soccer team seeking players

Anyone interested in joining the Back Mountain Stingrays U11 girls travel soccer team is asked to call Dennis at 760-4893.

### Rock Rec Center plans basketball clinic

The Rock Rec Center will hold its Fourth Annual Fall Basketball Clinic on Monday and Wednesday evenings from October 19-28.

The clinic is for boys and girls K through sixth grade and will focus on pre-season preparation, conditioning,

games and skill development for every child, regardless of experience.

Clinic schedule is as follows: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. for K and first grade; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for second and third grades; and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. for fourth to sixth grades.

For more information, contact the Rock Rec Center at 696-2769.

### Freedom travel soccer team wins second

Members of the Back Mountain Freedom travel soccer team took second place in the U-11/U-12 girls division during the Labor Day Weekend Whitewater Cup Classic Soccer Tournament held at the Luzerne County soccer fields in Forty Fort.

## WYOMING VALLEY JUNIOR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

# Bobcats gets fifth straight victory with 42-0 win over Dallas

### A TEAM

#### Back Mountain 42 Dallas 0

The Back Mountain Bobcats A Team won its fifth straight game with an impressive 42-0 win over the Dallas Jr. Mounts.

The Bobcats opened the game with a 25-yard touchdown pass from Willy Mucha to Dylan Pilger. Willy Mucha also scored a rushing touchdown for the Bobcats.

Brian Durling, Paul Ciaccia, Joey Vigil, Angelin Baltier and PJ Konnick each added scores for the Bobcats. Justin Butler and Randy Zacharais also had a solid running game.

It was the unselfish playing of the offensive line led by Cody Long, CJ McCauley, Justus Schultz, PJ Konnick, Matt Druling, Evan May, Joey Vigil, Adam Simonette, and Tyler Brobst that made the scoring possible.

The defense line, led by Austin Parry, Eliza Vigil, Randy Zacharais, PJ Konnick, Brain Durling, Cody Long, Justus Schultz, Paul Ciaccia, CJ McCauley and Evan May held the Jr. Mounts to a scoreless game. Willy Mucha led the team in tackling and also returned an interception for a

touchdown.

#### Kingston Township 24 Plymouth 0

Matt Ross took a JT Carey pass 49 yards for a touchdown that ended up being the game breaker for the Raiders as they picked apart a previously unbeaten Plymouth squad and grabbed a 24-0 victory.

With the Raiders up 8-0 on a Daunte Zurenda 55-yard scamper, the Raiders were facing a third down and 15 yards to a first down when Carey connected with Ross. The offensive line, anchored by Stephen Wempa, Steven Derhammer, Matt Karuza and Shawn Spencer, kept the pressure off the Raider running backs and quarterback all day.

Corey Stegman was able to sack the Plymouth quarterback twice while Aaron Klamovich provided pass coverage, preserving the Raiders shutout.

The Raiders are now 6-0.

### B TEAM

#### Dallas 22 Back Mountain 0

Two Back Mountain teams went head-to-head at the Lehman High School field on a rainy Sunday afternoon with the Dallas Jr.

Mounts winning a 22-0 victory over the Back Mountain Bobcats.

In the first half, Matty Harrison scored the first touchdown of the game for Dallas. The Bobcat's defense, led by Zack Haddle, Eric Sweppenheiser, Zack Gabel, Erik George, Anthony Grandinetti, Marcus Steele and Tom Piatt stopped the two-point conversion.

Stone Mannello, Cameron Brennan, Corbin Holcomb, Jack Tomko, and RJ Driscoll had great runs for the Bobcats in the first quarter.

Late in the first quarter, Cole Dixon caught a touchdown pass in the endzone for the Jr. Mounts. David Simpson completed the two-point conversion and Dallas was up, 14-0.

Early in the second quarter, David Simpson scored another touchdown for Dallas. The two points were completed by Jim Barlow for Dallas.

During the third quarter, the Bobcat offense, led by Adam Rosencrance, Connor Kerkowski, Art Coolbaugh, AJ Spears and Owen Morgan, helped drive the field for the Bobcats but the Dallas defense stopped them short of the goal line.

#### Kingston Township 6 Plymouth 0

The Kingston Township Raiders edged out a very tough Plymouth Shawnee Indians team, 6-0.

It was a game marked by the weather more than athletic statistics. The Raiders defense held firm throughout the game, led by a stout defensive line including David Edwards, Mitch Kelly, Jason Culp and Michael Golden.

The edges of the field were cut off to the Indians due in large part to the play of defensive ends Connor Motley and Tanner Gattuso, aided by cornerbacks Christian Roberts and Nicholas Mathers.

There was solid tackling by linebackers Bret Storrs, Kyle Piskorik and Ricky Morgan.

The offensive effort was led by solid blocking on the front line with Jason Anderson, Mitch Kelly and Abdul Almecky stepping up. This blocking aided fullback Brett Storrs with his 45-yard touchdown run in the first half.

Quarterback Ryan Martin also had the support of several runningbacks, including Conor Motley and Peter Capitano.

### C TEAM

#### Dallas 22 Back Mountain 6

The Dallas Jr. Mounts were victorious against the Back Mountain Bobcats, 22-6.

During the first half, the Mounts were able to score two touchdowns and complete two 2-point conversions. Nicholas Whitesell scored the only touchdown for the Bobcats.

The Bobcats' offense, led by Joseph Deyo, Ian Evans, Dakota Heinrich, Zach Hill and Hunter Landon, played tough but was unable to score during the second half. Great runs were made by Nate O'Donnell, Nate Hazeltine, Nate LaBar and Nick Whitesell.

The Dallas Jr. Mounts made some great plays and managed to score another touchdown.

The Bobcat defense, led by Huey Quinten, Gage Mitchell, Cole Robbins, Matt Schnable, Cole Wyffels, Zack Bloom and Josh During, held the Mounts for the remainder of the game.

Kingston Township 16  
Plymouth 0

The Kingston Township Raiders improved to 5-1 on the season with a 16-0 victory over the Plymouth Indians.

The Raiders defense was again

the story of the game behind the strong play of Kyle McAndrew, Michael Anderson, Josh Holdredge, Carl Markowski and Michael Doggett.

KT's offense was able to control the ball for much of the game with some excellent running from Christian Motley and touchdown runs from David Schuster and Devin Robbins. Schuster and Derek Answini added the conversions.

### D TEAM

#### Dallas 16 Back Mountain 6

The Dallas Jr. Mounts improved to 6-0 with a hard-fought game in the elements this week.

The Jr. Mounts were led by Jack Gallis and Hunter Love on offense. These two utilized great blocking by Collin Ziess and Matt and Michael Lukasavage to find the endzone.

The defense was stout all afternoon. Jared Adamski, Ethan Sult and Dylan Perry all made key plays on defense to keep the Bobcats in check all afternoon.

Jack Farrell made a game-saving tackle against Leonard Kelly of the Bobcats in the second half to preserve a Dallas victory.