

Sports



Dallas running back Kris Roccogranti picks up yardage against Wyoming Valley West.



Dallas tackle Buddy Shutlock takes a water break.



Mountaineer Zach Macosky runs a kickoff return into Spartan territory.

WWV QB too much for Dallas

Wyoming Valley West junior quarterback Mike Baur ran for three touchdowns and accounted for 25 yards of offense as Wyoming Valley West knocked off Dallas, 28-14, spoiling the debut of Mountaineer coach Bob Zaruta.

Baur completed 8 of 12 passes for 154 yards and rushed 21 times for 91 more.

Dallas quarterback Ryan Zapoticky, an All-Wyoming Valley Conference selection last season, had a big game statistically. He hit on 16 of 24 passes for 172 yards, including a beautifully-placed 34-yard TD toss to Derik Johnson in the third quarter.

Even when Dallas moved within 28-14 on a 59-yard TD run by Kris Roccogranti with 9:47 to play, the Mountaineers couldn't sustain the rally because of the pressure. Their final two drives ended at the Valley West 5 and 28 after Zapoticky had to hurry throws.



The Dallas student section gets into the action.

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Lake-Lehman quarterback Bill Hillman runs a keeper against Old Forge.



Lake-Lehman's Dustin Jones runs through a hole in the Old Forge defense.



Lake-Lehman's Zach Chabala wraps up Old Forge ball carrier Warren Welsh.



The Lake-Lehman student section cheers on the Black Knights.

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Black Knights unravel in second

Although Lake-Lehman and Old Forge were tied in the closing minutes of the first half, things fell apart so quickly for the Black Knights that it seemed Old Forge drove the ball in to the end zone just as fast as the Black Knights gave it away.

The Blue Devils scored four touchdowns, all off turnovers, to turn a three-point lead at halftime into a 50-14 victory on Aug. 31 at Lake-Lehman High School.

After giving up a first-quarter touchdown, Old Forge rattled off 42 consecutive points.

Lake-Lehman dominated the Blue Devils defensive line on its first possession of the game. The Black Knights ate the clock on an 11-play drive that yielded a 15-yard touchdown by Dustin Jones. Jones carried the ball 12 times in the first quarter for 66 yards but picked up only 17 yards on nine carries for the rest of the game.