

COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS . . .

BEN SHERMAN
WILLIAM PENN
FOOTBALL
Troy Area 2017

The Statesmen football team was unable to pull the upset and get the Rock and Ladder Trophy on the bus back to Oskaloosa as it fell 38-0 to #4 Grand View in Heart of America Athletic Conference North Division play Saturday.

WPU (1-6, 0-1 North) was out-gained 479-216 and has now lost four in a row in the head-to-head series with 2017 the last time the Rock and Ladder Trophy remained on William Penn's campus.

The visitors, who lost the rushing battle by just five yards at 191-186, stopped the Vikings (7-0, 1-0 North) on the game's opening drive. GUV marched into Statesmen territory, but Colton Horak (So., Crawfordsville, Iowa, Business Management) and Gavin Ozmun (Fr., Swisher, Iowa, Sports Management) stopped the home team in its tracks on fourth down at WPU's 31-yard line.

The navy and gold then tallied a first down and pushed across midfield at the Grand View 46-yard line. Unfortunately, they failed to convert on their own fourth-and-one just like their foes.

Making matters worse, the Vikings got on the board just seven plays later and they never looked back.

Following a quick unsuccessful drive, the Statesmen bent but did not fully break as they only permitted a field goal in trailing 10-0 after one quarter of action.

The Vikings added a touchdown early in the second period before WPU produced its best possession to date, going 49 yards. The push came to a grinding halt, however, at the GUV 22-yard line with William Penn's lone lost fumble of the afternoon.

The home team made the

Statesmen pay for the error and WPU trailed 24-0 at intermission.

The visiting crew got off to a rousing start in the third quarter as Gavin Rountree (Fr., Stephenville, Texas, Sports Management), who was moved into the quarterback slot for Saturday's contest, darted 47 yards on the first play of the half. The Statesmen continued all the way down to the three-yard line, but they shot themselves in proverbial foot first with a penalty and then with a huge loss of yards on a fumble that they recovered. On fourth-and-goal from the 25-yard line, they could not convert and turned the ball over on downs.

WPU, which allowed two more touchdowns in the latter minutes of the matchups, would venture onto Grand View's side of the gridiron one final time. Unfortunately, the navy and gold came up empty again. Ben Sherman (Grad., Troy, Pa., Master's of Sports Management) clicked off 16 yards on that final drive, finishing with a team-best 75 on 19 carries Saturday.

Rountree ended his day with 44 rushing yards, while Archer Charles (Jr., Gunterville, Ala., Sports Management) contributed 39 more. Rountree, who shared quarterbacking responsibilities with Danny Amezcua (Fr., San Antonio, Texas, Kinesiology), also posted the team's lone completion, hooking up with Conner Hasz (Fr., Paola, Kan., Sociology) for 30 yards.

D'Mauryon Hunter (So., Bolingbrook, Ill., Sports Management) led the defense with 10 tackles, while Rogan Pforts (So., Wapello, Iowa, Industrial Technology) was next for the Statesmen with seven stops.

"I continue to be proud of our players," Head Coach Todd Hafner said. "They continue to fight and battle and work hard to win each and every week. I love our players and know they will not stop giving us everything they have."

BEN KNAPP
PENN STATE UNIVERSITY
FOOTBALL
Canton 2021

The No. 4 Penn State football team fell to No. 3 Iowa 23-20 in a Big Ten showdown in Iowa City on Saturday.

The Nittany Lions got off to a quick start in the game, jumping out to a 17-3 lead in the first half, but the Iowa defense would hold Penn State to just three second half points as the Hawkeyes came from behind for the victory.

In a defensive affair, the Penn State defense held Iowa to 305 yards of total offense. Linebacker Ellis Brooks led the unit with a career-high 14 tackles in the contest. Jaquan Brisker tied a career-high with nine tackles while adding an interception and a pass breakup. Arnold Ebiketie was a force off the edge for Penn State, recording 3.5 tackles for loss and a sack to go along with his season-high nine tackles.

Both of the Nittany Lions' offensive touchdowns came on the ground, with Noah Cain punching in a 2-yarder and quarterback Sean Clifford scoring from four yards out. Clifford completed 15-of-25 passes for 145 yards before leaving the game late in the second quarter.

Penn State heads into its bye week with a 5-1 record with six Big Ten contests remaining on its schedule. The Nittany Lions will return to action in a home contest against Illinois on Oct. 23 at Beaver Stadium. The 2021 Penn State Football season is presented by PSECU.

Iowa capitalized off a turnover to get on the board first. After a Justin Jacobs interception set the Hawkeyes up inside the 5 yard-line, the Penn State defense stood strong to hold Iowa to a field goal in the game's opening minutes.

The Nittany Lions quickly moved down the field on their ensuing drive, moving 75 yards in just 2:31 to set up a 2-yard touchdown run by Noah Cain.

Brisker would give the Nittany Lions their first takeaway, intercepting a tipped pass to give Penn State the ball in Iowa territory. After Sean Clifford connected with KeAndre Lambert-Smith for a 30-yard gain deep into the red zone, the quarterback would score on his own with a 4-yard touchdown run.

Penn State would extend its lead in the opening minutes of the second quarter on a Jordan Stout 32-yard field goal to make it 17-3 Nittany Lions.

Iowa cut into the lead on its next position as Spencer Petras found Charlie Jones for a 9-yard touchdown to cut the Penn State lead to seven.

Stout would push the Nittany Lion lead back to double-digits midway through the third with a 44-yard field goal.

Iowa's Caleb Shudak would cut Penn State's advantage back to single digits in the closing minutes of the third quarter with a 48-yard field goal. They would add another three points minutes later on a 36-yarder from Shudak.

The Hawkeyes would jump ahead with a quick strike late in the fourth quarter when Petras hit Nico Ragaini for a 44-yard touchdown to give Iowa a 23-20 lead that would hold as the final score.

JACK IMBT
MARIST COLLEGE
FOOTBALL
Troy 2019

The Marist football team won a Pioneer Football League contest at Dayton by a score of 20-17 on Saturday afternoon.

Mekhai Johnson scored two touchdowns and had 183 all-purpose yards for the Red Foxes.

After Dayton got on the board with a field goal on the game's opening drive, Luke Paladino's 44-yard field goal tied the score at three apiece at the 6:37 mark of the first quarter.

Mekhai Johnson's 33-yard rushing touchdown gave Marist its first lead at the 11:06 mark of the second period.

After Dayton tied the score at 10, Johnson returned the ensuing kickoff 91 yards for a touchdown.

Paladino's 29-yard field goal gave Marist a 20-10 lead late in the third quarter.

Jake Chisholm's one-yard rushing touchdown closed Dayton's deficit to three with 8:05 remaining.

On Dayton's final drive, the Flyers reached the Red Foxes' 43 and had 2nd-and-2. Teddy Wright broke up a pass on second down, and teamed with Aaron Acosta to hold Chisholm to no gain on third down. The Flyers threw an incomplete pass on fourth down.

Wright had a game-high 10 tackles. In addition to his key late-game plays, he also had an interception and a tackle for loss.

Johnson led Marist with 75 yards on the ground in addition to 108 on his two kickoff returns.

Dwayne Menders led Marist in receptions (six) and receiving yards (65).

Chisholm had 128 yards from scrimmage for Dayton (87 rushing, 41 receiving).

This was the 300th game as head coach for Marist's Jim Parady.

This is Marist's second 3-0 PFL start in program history (last time was 2016).

This was Marist's second win all-time at Dayton in seven tries (last time was 2013).

Johnson's kickoff return for a touchdown was Marist's first since 2017, when Johnson himself had one against Jacksonville. It was

Johnson's second kickoff return for a score in his career.

Marist did not commit a turnover for the third straight week.

Marist is 3-2 overall and 3-0 in the PFL.

Dayton is now 3-3 on the season and 2-2 in league play.

Marist returns home to face PFL foe Morehead State on Saturday, Oct. 23.

Kickoff will be at noon as part of Homecoming & Reunion Week-end at Marist.

HUNTER MCCLELLAN
LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY
SOCCER
Troy 2018

The Lock Haven University women's soccer team (3-4-1, 1-4-1 PSAC East) fell to visiting East Stroudsburg University (4-3-1, 3-3-1 PSAC East), 1-0, today at Hubert Jack Stadium in Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division action.

ESU got the game's only goal in the 10th minute when Haley Skove's header found the back of the net.

Lock Haven goalkeeper Kylie Auman (Centre Hall, Pa./Penns Valley) made eight saves.

Taylor Moritz (Harleysville, Pa./Souderton), Evelyn Giaccia (Fairless Hills, Pa./Pennsbury) and Mayleigh Perkins (Mechanicsburg, Pa./Trinity) all turned in notable efforts for Lock Haven.

The Warriors led 1-0 at half-time, but it was nearly tied, as Anna Manley (Catawissa, Pa./Southern Columbia) sent a shot just wide in the final minutes of the opening half.

Lock Haven took it to ESU for the first 30 minutes of the second half, but just couldn't find the equalizer.



photo by JOE CARREON

Troy's Brayden Vroman looks to gain possession for the Trojans.

Troy falls short against Athens

Troy's furious second half comeback came up short against Sullivan County, as they fell 5-4 in non-league boys' soccer action Monday.

All four of Troy's goals came in the second half, but Sullivan got two goals in the opening half, before adding three more in the final 40 min-

utes to get the win.

Wyatt Hodlofski had a hat trick with an assist, as Logan proud also scored for Troy.

Eli Randall made 10 saves in net for the Trojans.

Troy will wrap up the season as they host Athens on Thursday.

Troy girls soccer claims NTL title

The Troy girls' soccer team are the new NTL champions, beating Wellsboro 1-0 Wednesday to clinch the league title.

This is their first outright league championship since 2010; they were tri-champions with Athens and Wellsboro last season.

Addy Parker continued her scoring streak, netting the lone goal of

the game for Troy with 25:10 left to play in the first half.

The Trojans made it stick as Madelyn Seeley got the clean sheet with two saves.

Troy out shot Wellsboro 28-2 and had a 6-0 edge in corner kicks.

This was the final league game for Troy, with everything after this non-league.

Troy falls short against Athens

Troy was swept by Athens in NTL volleyball action Monday, with the Wildcats winning the sets 25-17, 25-15, and 26-24.

Maddison Vargas had 11 points, three kills, 11 digs, and two assists for Troy, as Meredith Cole finished with five kills, two points, and 17 digs.

Jalayna Jackson had four points, and three digs, with Savannah Spencer getting four points, five blocks, and two digs.

Diana Samuels had four points, and one dig, with Lydia Lewis getting one point.

Kali Ayres had one

point, and four digs, while Alexis Bellinger finished with one point, and five digs.

Josie Kerrick had a block, with a dig, while Tailynn Stahle had five assists, and three digs.

Kaitlyn Ensminger finished with eight digs, Lexie Newcombe had three, and Tyra Williams added two.

Troy pulled out a 2-1 JV match win.

They won the first set 25-15, with Athens taking the second set 25-13. The Trojans won the deciding set 15-11.



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Canton rolls past Sayre

Canton swept Sayre to stay undefeated in NTL Division-II volleyball action Thursday. They won the sets 25-12, 25-12, and 25-12.

Trisha Gilbert had two points, four kills, three assists, and two digs, as Rachel Martin had 21 points, four aces, and three digs.

Jillaney Hartford notched three points, six kills, one dig, and one block, while Keri Wesneski had seven points, two aces, four kills, and four digs.

Aislyn Williams finished with 11 points, four aces, eight kills, three assists, and four digs, and Allyson Butcher had 12 points, five aces, five kills, 15 assists, and two digs.

Marissa Ostrander added a point, an assist, and three digs, as Mae Kinner had a kill with

an assist, and Kendall Kitchen finished with two points.

Canton won the JV match 25-10, and 25-13.

Kinner had an ace, two digs, and four kills, as Kitchen finished with four aces, four digs, one assist, and two kills.

Addi Pepper had a dig, two assists, and one kill, Hannah Kendall finished with two aces, and a dig, Gabby Spencer notched a dig, with two kills, Ostrander added three aces, one dig, and three assists, and Wesneski came away with three aces, and two digs.

Canton will travel to Williamson Saturday for a 1:30 p.m. start. Williamson recently lost to Wyalusing, so they're now two games back of Canton in the loss column for the NTL Division-II lead

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