

Trojans tumble out of first place

Weiser wallops Homedale to keep perfect season going

Homedale High School's football team had its hopes of a piece of first place crushed under a red wave Friday night in Weiser. The unbeaten Wolverines

showed why they are the top-ranked 3A team in the Idaho Sports.com state rankings, exploiting the Trojans' aggressive defense and miscues to post a convincing 57-

12 Snake River Valley conference victory.

"I thought our kids played hard," Homedale coach Thomas Thomas said. "I just think they didn't play smart or disciplined.

"They didn't want to take right angles or get the right man or read the dive back right or do their responsibilities."

With the victory over Homedale (4-3 overall, 2-1 SRV), the Wolverines (7-0, 3-0) moved into sole possession for the conference lead by doing what they've always done — run the ball, run it often and run it at you.

With Homedale's vaunted defense poised to strike anywhere across the line, Weiser utilized

misdirection and a little option, and the Trojans overpursued.

But Weiser coach John D. Srholec said the 305 yards rushing his Wolverines rolled up is nothing new.

"They run a defense that takes a lot of chances, and they're going

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Ball handling

Homedale's Josh Ryska kicks the ball during the final home varsity soccer game of the season. Homedale lost 2-1 to Weiser at Sundance Park, but moved into the 3A District III tournament as the No. 4 seed. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Trojans boys start 3A tourney strong

Three different players from three different grades scored goals Thursday as Homedale High School opened the 3A District III boys soccer tournament with a victory at Sabala Field in McCall.

Senior Patrick Vega, junior Cory Uria and freshman Miguel Vasquez each scored goals in Homedale's 3-1 victory over Fruitland.

The Trojans entered the tournament as the No. 4 seed after finishing the Snake River Valley conference season at 4-6, just behind third-place Payette.

Homedale dropped a tough 3-0 decision to top-seeded Middleton on Saturday to fall into the losers bracket of the double-elimination tournament. The Trojans (5-9) met Weiser in an elimination game Monday. Results weren't available at press time.

Against Fruitland, Uria opened the scoring with a conversion of Vasquez's assist in the 12th minute. It was one of 18 shots on goal the Trojans would take on the afternoon.

The Grizzlies, who were seeded fifth, tied the game, but Vasquez pushed Homedale back in front before halftime on a pass from junior Jacob Anthony.

Vega punched a crossing shot over the head of the Fruitland goalie for the game's final goal in the second half. Junior Guillermo Machuca was credited with the assist.

Middleton 3, Homedale 0

In Saturday's second round, Homedale tackled top-seeded Middleton, which had outscored the Trojans 10-1 in the two teams'

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Huskies control tempo, but Nampa Christian gets victory

Marsing High School's football team was perhaps three plays from greatness Friday night against unbeaten Nampa Christian.

The Huskies closed their season at home with a 44-20 2A Western Idaho Conference loss to the Trojans, but Nampa Christian needed three explosive plays in the second half to keep Marsing from getting the upper hand.

"If we could have stopped their three big plays in the second half, we may have been able to steal one," Marsing coach Don Heller said. "We shut them down in the second half except for those three plays."

The three plays included a 72-yard scoring jaunt by Trojans tailback Jeff Myers, a 60-yard punt return for a touchdown by Greg Forrest and Jaron Crane's 58-yard touchdown pass to Myers.

Myers finished 158 yards rush-

ing, while Crane completed six of his 13 pass attempts for 182 yards through the air.

The Huskies did their level best to control the game. Marsing ran nearly twice as many offensive plays as Nampa Christian. The Huskies snapped the ball 76 times, while the Trojans had their offense on the field for only 40 plays.

Marsing ended its season 0-4 in the 2A WIC and 1-7 overall. Nampa Christian continues its march toward another state playoffs appearance. The Trojans are 7-0 overall and tied for first in the 2A WIC at 3-0 with Melba



Don Heller

heading into a huge showdown with the Mustangs on Friday night.

Marsing held Nampa Christian's high-powered offense in check in the first half, but couldn't find a way to put the ball in the end zone, despite another stellar performance from fullback Shea McClellin.

McClellin reprised the form that he used to roll up more than 300 yards rushing against Glenns Ferry earlier this season and rolled over Nampa Christian for 292 yards on 42 carries. He was the only Marsing player to find the end zone, scoring on three short runs.

The 6-foot-4 junior scored on a 6-yard run in the second quarter, but the Huskies' conversion attempt failed and Marsing trailed

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That championship season

Members of the Homedale Middle School eighth-grade volleyball team show off the bracket from their championship run at Saturday's District III tournament in Ontario, Ore. The Trojans beat Payette in three games for the championship. The road to the title for coach Brenda Reay's team also included two-game sweeps of Ontario and Fruitland. The team is: Front row, from left, Katie Holloway, Ashlynn Uria and Megan Quintana; back row, from left, Reay, Alisha Conant, Heather Sitko, Kindra Harden, Kortney Stansell, Kendra Galloway and Samantha Stutheit.

Sports

Homedale volleyball hangs tough

Homedale High School's volleyball team put together one of its strongest weeks of the season to gear up for the District III Tournament.

The Trojans closed out the 3A Snake River Valley conference regular season Thursday with a hard-fought four-game loss to Fruitland, which cruised to the second seed in the 3A District III Tournament with an 8-2 record.

Homedale, which took a 4-12 overall record and the fifth seed into Tuesday's district opener, won the first game against the Grizzlies on Senior Night but fell 18-25, 25-12, 25-23, 25-13.

"They worked hard. They really did," Fruitland coach Pat Coffey said of the Trojans' effort. "They're a few hitters short of Middleton and

us, you know, but they made us work."

Fruitland's only two losses this season in SRV play were to the unbeaten Vikings.

"The girls were pumped up from their Senior Night celebration," Homedale coach Maleta Henry said. "We are working on keeping their intensity up."

Sarah Cline collected seven blocks against the Grizzlies. She also had one kill. Hailey Hall added five blocks and five kills, while Jessica Mooney had three kills and three blocks.



Hailey Hall

Hailee Garrett sparked the offense with eight assists and an ace. She also had two kills, as did Faith Brasher.

Homedale def. Weiser

Cline dominated at the net with 10 blocks and two kills and the Trojans outlasted Weiser 25-21, 21-25, 17-25, 25-21, 15-10, in a match played Oct. 11.

"The girls are finally coming around and playing as a team," Henry said.

Corey Hall added four kills and three blocks for the Trojans, while teammate Mooney collected five blocks and logged three kills.

Hailey Hall also had a fine match at the night with seven blocks and five kills.



All-out effort

Senior Jennifer George goes low for a dig during Homedale High School's final home volleyball match of the season Thursday against Fruitland. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Trojan Fall Sports

FOOTBALL

Varsity football — Friday, Oct. 21 at Middleton, 7 p.m.
Junior varsity football — Thursday, Oct. 20, home vs. Middleton, 6:30 p.m.

VOLEYBALL

Varsity — Wednesday, Oct. 19, 3A District III Tournament, second round, Middleton High School
Varsity — Thursday, Oct. 20, 3A District III Tournament, if not eliminated, Middleton High School

CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, Oct. 20, Snake River Valley conference District III meet in McCall

SOCCER

Boys soccer - Wednesday, Oct. 19, 3A District III Tournament, if not eliminated, 5:30 p.m., Sabala Field, Payette Lakes Middle School, McCall
Thursday, Oct. 20, 3A District III Tournament, if not eliminated, 5:30 p.m., Sabala Field, Payette Lakes Middle School, McCall
Girls soccer - Wednesday, Oct. 19, 3A District III Tournament, if not eliminated, 3:30 p.m., Payette High School
Thursday, Oct. 20, 3A District III Tournament, if not eliminated, 5:30 p.m., Payette High School

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meetings during regular season.

The postseason matchup would be different, though, as goalie Erik Corbett and the Homedale defense held the Vikings coreless in the first half.

"We went into the game with a winning attitude and confidence in our skills," Homedale coach David Correa said. "We were determined to pressure the ball at all times and attack orderly."

The pressure and attack worked well. Middleton went without a goal for the game's first 55 minutes as Corbett steamed toward the conclusion of a performance that would net him 12 saves.

"Erik had an excellent game," Correa said.

The Vikings broke through to score three goals in less than five minutes.

That flurry carried Middleton to the victory and into Wednesday's tournament final against McCall-Donnelly.

"We regained control of the game and attacked their goal with a couple of close shots that unfortunately did not go in," Correa said.

Homedale pounded seven shots on goal, but couldn't convert.

"Even though we lost the game, I left the field with the satisfaction of having played possibly our best game of the season," Correa said.



The chase is on

Junior Cory Uria races for the ball against a Weiser player during last week's game at Sundance Park. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

Sports

Marsing stumbles in WIC

Before Marsing High School's volleyball team righted the ship against Parma (see below), the Huskies endured a challenge against the 2A Western Idaho Conference's top teams.

Nampa Christian def. Marsing

The Trojans roared out to an opening game victory, but had to fight hard to gain control in Game 2 of a 25-9, 26-24, 25-14 victory in Nampa on Oct. 6.

Kortni Scott and Nicole Gelinas registered three kills apiece for the Huskies. Jennifer Pfeifer served two aces as part of a five-point night.

New Plymouth def. Marsing

Breana Chadez and M.J. Usabel posted three blocks apiece, but the Huskies couldn't overcome host New Plymouth in a 25-12, 25-21, 25-22 loss Oct. 4.

Tiffany Martinez had seven service points.



You've been served

Marsing junior varsity volleyball player Bianca Mascorro puts the ball in play during the Huskies' two-game sweep of Parma in Saturday's third-place game for the 2A District III Tournament in Marsing. The Huskies lost to eventual tourney champ New Plymouth in two games in the first round. The Pilgrims beat Melba in three games for the title.

Garden Valley rips league foe Rimrock

Rimrock High School quarterback Anthony Hofer put together his biggest passing day of the season Friday, but he couldn't overcome the onslaught of Garden Valley in a 1-A, Division I football loss.

The host Wolverines remained unbeaten with a 66-16 win shortened by the 45-point mercy rule.

Garden Valley (7-0 overall, 3-0 league) also found itself alone in first place in the league after Council handed Cascade its first league loss, 54-24. Both Council and Cascade are a game behind Garden Valley at 2-1.

The Wolverines wasted little time assuming control against Rimrock. Garden Valley scored 32 points in the first quarter with a balanced offense.

Hofer got Rimrock within a touchdown and PAT at 16-8 when he plunged in from 2 yards out then tossed a two-point conversion pass to his brother, Nate, a sophomore.

But Garden Valley cranked it up again with the second of Kyle Shepherd's three scores and a 3-yard run by Daniel Grimm.

Shepherd scored on runs of 10 and 50 yards in the first half and added a 60-yard scamper in the third quarter.

Anthony Hofer did all he could to keep the Raiders (1-5, 1-2) in the ballgame. He completed four of six passes for 125 yards. None of his passes made it into the end zone, though, as freshman running back T.J. Snyder rushed four yards in the second quarter for Rimrock's other touchdown.

Hofer's favorite target was Carlos Salinas, who racked up 80 yards on just two receptions.

Hofer also picked up 35 yards on 10 rushes and made five solo tackles to lead the Rimrock defense. Weslee Aquiso was the Raiders' leading rushing, gaining 49 yards on 10 totes.

Garden Valley owned a 46-16 halftime lead as quarterback Brandon Moore threw a touchdown pass to Jed Jones.

The Raiders are back home Friday for a 7 p.m. game against Idaho City in Bruneau.

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Reorganized Huskies win to cap league

With a teammate feeling under the weather Thursday night, Marsing High School volleyball player Nicole Gelinas redirected the storm clouds toward Parma's side of the net.

After settling into a new position, Gelinas helped the Huskies post a 27-25, 23-25, 25-16, 25-21 victory in the 2A Western Idaho Conference volleyball regular-season finale for both teams on the Panthers' home floor.

"Nicole played really strongly in Games 3 and 4," Marsing coach Loma Bittick said. "She did some nice work blocking at the net."

Gelinas, who finished with eight kills and six service points, sparked the Huskies' comeback victory in Game 1 inside the tiny Parma gymnasium.

With Parma leading 19-16, Gelinas briefly took over the game with three kills and a block. Despite her heroics, the Panthers held on to their advantage until a back-row tap violation by Parma gave Marsing a 26-25 edge. Bittick explained that a Parma back-row player illegally tapped the ball over the net from beyond the 10-meter hitting line. Any ball played farther than 10 meters behind the net has to be set to a teammate before it is sent to the opponents' side of the court, Bittick said.

"I think that gave us an edge right there, especially as close as it was at the end of the game," Bittick said of the ruling.

Parma's Arie Beard sent a spike

attempt long to give Marsing the two-point win in the first game

Gelinas was in the unfamiliar middle hitter position because fellow senior Breanna Chadez was sick.

"I made some changes in our lineup due to some illness, so we were making some adjustments," Bittick said.

Chadez returned to the lineup later in the match, but Bittick stuck with the new 5-1 offense. The Huskies had been playing a 6-2 offense most of the season with Gelinas and junior Kortni Scott splitting time at setter.

"One of the big reasons we run the 6-2 is that it gives me an option to put somebody in to help Kortni to block," Bittick said. "Kortni did a great job in the front row."

Scott had 27 assists and three kills. She also served for 13 points.

Bittick said she had plans to use the 5-1 offense throughout the 2A District III Tournament, the opening games of which were played Monday in Fruitland and Tuesday in Homedale. The tournament concludes Thursday at Homedale High School with games starting at 5 p.m.

MJ Usabel had 16 kills for the Huskies, who overcame



Nicole Gelinas

breakdowns in play and communication in the first two games against Parma to rally for the win.

"The third and fourth games, we played with more confidence and began to learn those new roles that we were taking on," Bittick said.

Game 3 against Parma did have a scary moment for the Huskies when Mollee Nielsen was knocked out briefly after she crashed into the wall while hustling after a volley with teammate Angela Martinez. Bittick said Nielsen was OK after the incident.

Despite Nielsen's mishap, Game 3 was the turning point for the Huskies, according to Bittick.

"In Game 3, we had 11 kills and we just played real strong," the coach said. "It was a real strong game for us, and we were able to pretty much keep that tempo throughout."

The hard-fought victory snapped a two-match losing streak for the Huskies and gave them a 4-4 record in the 2A WIC (7-5 overall) and the No. 3 seed for the district tournament, in which Marsing met No. 2 seed New Plymouth in Fruitland on Monday. Games also were played in Homedale on Tuesday. Results from the first two days weren't available at press time.

The tournament continues at Homedale High School on Thursday. Matches start at 5 p.m.

— JB

Marsing Huskies

FOOTBALL
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Varsity — Thursday, Oct. 20, 2A District III
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Sports

Trojans face rocky road to playoffs

Friday night’s loss to top-ranked Weiser High School built quite a mountain for Homedale if Thomas Thomas’ football team hopes to make the 3A state playoffs for the second time in three years.

The 57-12 setback on the Wolverines’ field dropped the Trojans to 2-1 in the ultra-competitive Snake River Valley conference.

Homedale is tied for second place with Fruitland and Middleton, but the Trojans control their own destiny because they play the Vikings on the road this week (7 p.m. Friday), and then close the regular season with a

home game against the Grizzlies on Oct. 28.

“We have to win the next two,” Thomas said. “Middleton is a must-win. I assume

Fruitland is going to win out — I know they are — so we’re going to have to play a lot better to get those two horses out of the way.”

And so the gauntlet begins. Homedale, Middleton and Fruitland all own a 2-1 record, one



Thomas Thomas

game behind Weiser in the SRV standings. The Idaho High School Activities Association invites two teams from the conference to the big dance, and Weiser looks poised to grab one of those berths with the league championship.

That leaves the Trojans, Vikings and Grizzlies to duke it out in what is shaping up to be a three-team mini-tournament.

First up is Middleton (3-4 overall), which lost to Fruitland 48-14 earlier this season and needs to beat Homedale and hope the Grizzlies stumble in the next two weeks in order to get in. Middleton closers the season against Weiser on Oct. 28.

“They’re a physical team, and run a lot of option,” Thomas said of Middleton.

That could be bad news because Homedale proved to have an undisciplined streak in its defense last week against a smaller Weiser squad, whose quarterback, Sam Lancaster, faked a handoff then scampered up the middle twice Friday night for a total of 59 yards, including a 44-yard scoring sprint.

But there is hope that the Trojans’ running game could return to form against the Vikings, even if the reason for that optimism could mean trouble in two weeks against the Grizzlies.

“I’m a little encouraged how

successful Fruitland was running the ball against them,” Thomas said, adding that the Grizzlies racked up 623 yards on the ground against the Vikings.

“So hopefully if we’re physical and again they bite on the dives, we should be OK.”

If Homedale gets past Middleton this week, chances are good that the league’s second playoff spot will be in the balance when the Trojans play host to Fruitland. The Grizzlies, who held Weiser to its lowest point total of the season in a 7-6 loss on Sept. 30, play woeful McCall-Donnelly (1-6, 0-3) this week.

— JB

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to make some big plays. They’re gonna stuff you,” Srholec said.

“To be very honest, those are the kind of numbers we’ve been putting up.”

And the number Weiser put up in the first half Friday — 31 points in 24 minutes — allowed the Wolverines’ defense to throw caution to the wind and fly around much like the Homedale defenders have been doing all season.

Bryce Svedin rushed for a touchdown and threw for another score on a halfback pass to highlight Weiser’s strong first half.

But it was the Wolverines’ defense the smothered Homedale’s hopes of scoring in the first half.

The Trojans never found their groove offensively and collected only 11 yards in the first half.

It took a 21-yard crossing pass from Trevor Krzesnik to Bryan Martinat with about 10 minutes left in the first half for Homedale to get its initial first down of the game.

Homedale had an opportunity to grab momentum midway through

the first quarter when Martinat fell on a Kyle Burch fumble.

That set up the Trojans on the Weiser 49-yard line, but the Wolverines’ defense kicked in again, and in four plays Homedale literally went nowhere.

And then the Trojans went downhill.

“I think we had some things go wrong early in the game, and we have not come from behind yet this year, and we’ve got to learn to overcome that,” Thomas said.

Punter Josh Jolley had trouble with the snap on Homedale’s next possession and was thrown for a loss at his own 21.

Two plays later, Burch bulled in from seven yards out for a 21-0 Weiser lead.

On the next possession, Weiser’s Mikel Overgaard jumped, tipped and picked off a Trevor Krzesnik pass. On the next play, Svedin fired a 34-yard pass to Bobby Hopkins for the Wolverines’ fourth TD.

With about 15 seconds left in the first half, Jolley had to fall on the ball after a snap sailed over his head. Weiser took over at the Homedale 5, and Jaime Perez booted a 22-yard field goal as the first half expired.

“I think our intensity dropped. I don’t know if our focus did. You can be as focused as you want, but if you can’t execute it’s going to be frustrating,” Thomas said.

The Weiser defense did its part to frustrate the Trojans, too. While Krzesnik had one of his best passing days of the year, including a pretty 23-yard sideline route to Garrett Sweet for the Trojans’ first touchdown, the Homedale ground attack was bottled up by the Wolverines.

The Trojans managed just one rushing first down and finished the disappointing night with only 23 yards on the ground. Twenty of those yards came when Ryan Johnson motored in from 20 yards out inside of 2 minutes left in the game.

That was Homedale’s longest run play of the night.

The bread-and-butter fly handoff with Martinat taking the ball while in motion — a play that has resulted in at least two touchdowns this season — was snuffed out by Weiser.

“I feel like we have good team speed, and if you give us a crease or two we’ll take advantage of big plays,” Thomas said. “And they took that away from us.



Swarmed under

A host of Weiser High School defenders, led by lineman Ryan Alder (55) stop Homedale running back Luke Carson during Friday’s game in Weiser. Alder also blocked a punt and recovered in the end zone for one of the Wolverines’ eight touchdowns.

“It’s not like they’re overly big, but they’re aggressive and they get from Point A to Point B very fast.”

The loss punched a few potholes in what Homedale hopes is a road to the state playoffs, but Thomas thinks allowing more than 50 points one week after scoring

more than 50 is something to grow on.

“I think we learn from this, too,” Thomas said. “We ... definitely can’t just feel content beating the team the week before thinking we’re OK because we’re not.”

— JB

Homedale cross country on hunt for state berths Thursday

Homedale cross country coach Nick Schamber has a dream of sending three runners to the state meet.

He’ll find out Thursday exactly how many of his runners actually will get a ticket to Eagle Island State Park.

The District III championship is Thursday in McCall.

Schamber thinks that if junior Scott Thatcher can repeat his 10th-place showing from last month’s Snake River Valley conference meet in Payette he’ll qualify for State.

Other boys varsity runners competing Thursday for Homedale include Tyler Gibson, Matt

Borschowa, Levi Jones and Troy Christensen.

The girls varsity team will be represented by Belen Vega, Jaqueline Johnson and Chalsea Hicks.

“I am challenging each runner this week to set a goal,” Schamber said. “Perhaps it’s to make state, beat a certain runner, get a personal-best time.

“Something so that they (have) mission that they can attempt to accomplish.”

And there is another goal. “Hopefully, we can bring some hardware home when we compete in McCall this Thursday,” Schamber said.

Joseph tramples Adrian’s perfect season

For five games, Adrian High School’s football team had careened through the season with nary a care. Last Friday, the Antelopes ran into one of the best 1A football teams in the state of Oregon and saw their shot at a true 180-degree turnaround come to an end.

Winless a year ago, the Antelopes took a long road trip to Joseph, Ore., on Friday in search of another win in a perfect season.

Instead, the Eagles plastered Adrian 62-12 to take command of the Old Oregon League championship race.

“Joseph is an awfully good team, certainly top-five 1A in the state,” Adrian second-year coach

Gene Mills said. “They came out and executed their game, and we couldn’t deal with their triple option.”

Chris Schumacher scored on runs of 25 yard in the first quarter and 16 yards in the second quarter for Adrian’s two touchdowns.

The Adrian defense’s inability to contain — something Mills, as coach, takes the blame for — and six turnovers spelled doom for the Antelopes (5-1 overall, 3-1 OOL), who slipped into a tie with Joseph for second place.

Wallowa demolished Powder Valley 72-12 to remain unbeaten in league and maintain the upper hand for the top seed into the state playoffs.

The top three teams in the OOL get berths into the state tournament, and it looks like it’s only a matter of where Wallowa, Joseph and Adrian end up in the bracket — not whether they’ll even make it.

“I think it would take a major turnaround of events to get knocked out,” Mills said.

Adrian plays host to Wallowa this week at Ward Field with a chance to spoil the Cougars’ bid for a perfect league record. Wallowa is 5-1 overall.

Kickoff is 7 p.m. “Obviously we’re going for the win, but Wallowa is awfully good,” Mills said. “They’re quick but hopefully we can defend them.”

Sports

PREP RESULTS

Football
Garden Valley 66 Rimrock 12
GV 32 14 20 x — 66
Rimrock 8 8 0 x — 44
First quarter
GV — Jones 23 pass from Moore (Moore run)
GV — Shepherd 10 run (Lund pass from Moore)
Rim — A. Hofer 2 run (N. Hofer pass from A. Hofer)
GV — Shepherd 50 run (Jones pass from Moore)
GV — Grimm 3 run (Lund run)
Second quarter
GV — Shepherd 60 run (Moore run)
Rim — Snyder 4 run (A. Hofer run)
GV — Jones 10 pass from Tucker (PAT failed)
Third quarter
GV — Tucker 14 run (PAT failed)
GV — Shepherd 60 run (Jones pass from Moore)
GV — Hayden 10 pass from Tucker

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Marsing 0 6 0 14 — 20
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First quarter
NC — Myers 5 run (Myers run)
Second quarter
Mar — McClellin 6 run (run failed)
NC — Myers 3 run (J. Slack pass from Crane)
Third quarter
NC — J. Slack 38 pass from Crane (Myers kick)
NC — Myers 72 run (Myers kick)
Fourth quarter
NC — Forrest 60 punt return (Myers kick)
Mar — McClellin 1 run (Gibson run)
Mar — McClellin 1 run (run failed)
NC — Myers 58 pass from Crane (Myers kick)

Team statistics		
	NC	Mar
First downs	7	17
Rushes-yards	27-200	60-305
Passing yards	182	36
Passing	6-13-0	3-16-1
Total yards	382	341
Punts-Avg.	3-24	4-31
Penalties	7-40	1-5
Fumbles-lost	4-2	3-1
Individual statistics		
Rushing — NC: Myers 15-158, Doty 6-51, A. Slack 3-1, Crane 2-(-4), Miller 1-(-6). Mar: McClellin 42-292, Gibson 10-(-6), Sauer 6-4, M. Tuckness 1-18, Price 1-(-3)		
Passing — NC: Crane 6-12-0 182, Myers 0-1-0 0. Mar: Gibson 3-14-0 36, McClellin 0-2-1 0		
Receiving — NC: J. Slack 3-67, Myers 1-58, Buckendorf 1-52, Forrest 1-5. Mar: Covey 2-36, Sauer 1-0		

— More results, 6B

Tired but determined Adrian pulls upset

Tired after a marathon loss earlier in the Old Oregon League volleyball tournament at Eastern Oregon University on Saturday, Adrian High School found something extra in the tank to hand the league leader its first loss of the season.

In a game pitting two teams that were coming off marathon five-game matches, Sarah McPeak took control from the line (22-for-22) and served three aces to spark the Antelopes' 25-23, 25-23, 22-25, 25-23 victory.

"This was a great match for us and extra special because Powder was undefeated in league," Goss said. "We played really relaxed most of the match and I feel like we really showed our potential."

Adrian inched closer to .500 in the Old Oregon League after the weekend tournament. The Antelopes are 4-5 in league and 8-5 overall heading into Senior Night on Friday against visiting OOL foe Wallowa.

Ryann Bowns smoked a pair of aces while going 13-for-13 on the line. She had eight assists and two digs, too.

Kirsten Phillips was 11-for-12 in serves with four aces and six digs.

Kat Sillonis had 19 assists, two kills and two aces, while Paige Branstiter had two aces to go with 12 kills and five block kills.

Stephenie Hutchings also contributed 12 kills.

Imbler
def. Adrian
Sillonis served five aces and had 13 assists, and Bowns was a perfect 18-for-18 from the service line, but Imbler took advantage of the Antelopes' miscues for a 25-20, 30-32, 16-25, 25-14, 15-13 victory.

"We played pretty well, but made enough errors that we couldn't finish off a couple of the games," Goss said. "We hit out 22 balls in the match, and I really feel like that made the biggest difference in the match."

Branstiter pocketed 21 kills, 12 digs and an ace in the match, which lasted more than two hours.

McPeak served an ace and was all over the floor with 19 digs and 12 kills.

Andrea Garner added five kills and three digs, while Kirsten Phillips had two kills and 10 digs.

Adrian
def. Joseph
Teamwork carried Adrian to a 25-16, 26-14, 25-19 sweep of visiting Joseph on Friday night.

Amanda Simpson was 15-for-

17 on the service line with three aces as the Antelopes roared past the Eagles 25-16, 26-14, 25-19.

"Everyone on the team contributed during the match, and that makes us a tough team to beat," Goss said. "We picked up a lot of balls and didn't allow Joseph to really get in an offensive mode."

Against Joseph, the team effort was spearheaded by Sillonis, who had 15 assists and two digs. Bowns also set 12 assists while serving an ace.

Branstiter and McPeak ruled the net with 15 kills and 12 kills, respectively. Branstiter had one of her biggest matches of the season with 13 digs, an ace and a block kill.

Rounding out the effort against Joseph was Stephenie Hutchings (four kills) and Phillips (three aces, a kill and eight digs).



Ready to roll

Jordan Valley Middle School volleyball player Hayley Hebison, right, gets ready to serve during Friday's five-game loss to Willowcreek. The Colts are back in action this Friday against Crane.

JV middle school splits a pair

by Shantel Gleason, JVHS

On Friday, the Willowcreek Warriors came to Jordan Valley to play against the middle school Colts.

The Colts started out the day great with the junior varsity winning in two straight games. The first game was relatively close with a 25-21 victory, but the Colts were better able to keep their heels up for the second game and won 25-11.

Amelia Eakin led in serving points with 14 tremendous serves. Meagan Fillmore contributed 11 points.

Anne Marie Eiguren and Ashley Hebison each added six points. Mattie Wroten had three and Katrina Moran finished up the top-serving scorers with two points.

However, the Colts' varsity team members were surprised when they learned that they would be playing three out of five games

instead of the customary two out of three.

They played a very competitive game, but lost 25-13, 12-25, 24-26, 25-22, 15-13.

Wroten led serving points with 30 serves. Moran and Ashley Hebison each threw over 16. Michelle Telleria added 11 more. Hayley Hebison kicked up another six, while Eakin contributed a point.

The Colts will meet Crane on Friday.

Homedale girls KO'd in District soccer

Homedale High School was eliminated from the 3A District III girls soccer tournament Monday night with a 7-1 loss to Weiser (5-8).

The Trojans, who ended the season at 0-11-1, opened the tourney in Payette with an 8-1 loss to McCall-Donnelly on Thursday.

Freshman Hannah Johnson scored Homedale's only goal.

"The girls did a great job," Homedale coach Lesa Folwell said. "They fought hard to hold them at 8."

No. 4 seed McCall (8-2-2) beat second-seeded Middleton (7-2-1) 2-0 and will face unbeaten Payette in at 5:30 p.m. championship game today at Harmon Killebrew Field.

Payette beat Weiser 5-0 on Saturday.

Middleton and Weiser play at 3:30 p.m. in a losers bracket game.

Middleton reached the losers bracket final by shutting out Fruitland 9-0 on Monday night.

The third-place game is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Thursday.



Lesa Folwell



Hannah Johnson

Sports

PREP FOOTBALL STATISTICS

Homedale offense							
Passing	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yards	YPG	TDs
Christofferson	17	39	6	.436	205	29.3	3
Krzesnik	25	66	6	.379	395	56.4	5
Lootens	0	1	1	.000	0	0.0	0
Totals	42	106	13	.396	600	85.7	8
Homedale defense							
Rushing	G	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	TDs	
R. Johnson	7	87	421	4.8	60.1	4	
Carson	6	104	368	3.5	61.3	3	
Martinat	5	13	130	13.0	26.0	4	
Christofferson	7	40	62	1.6	8.9	3	
Vance	1	1	36	36.0	36.0	1	
Miyasako	2	2	29	14.5	14.5	1	
Lootens	4	6	6	1.5	1.5	0	
G. Obregon	3	6	4	0.7	1.3	0	
Jolley	1	3	-33	-11.0	-33.0	0	
Krzesnik	5	9	-39	-4.3	-7.8	0	
Totals	7	274	998	3.6	142.5	16	
Homedale special teams							
Receiving	G	Rec.	Yards	YPR	YPG	TDs	
Lootens	4	6	110	18.3	27.5	0	
Carson	5	6	30	5.0	6.0	0	
Martinat	4	5	88	17.6	22.0	1	
Gonzalez	2	2	28	14.0	14.0	0	
Sweet	7	15	289	19.3	41.3	7	
R. Johnson	4	4	27	6.8	6.8	0	
Wass	4	4	28	7.0	7.0	0	
Totals	7	42	600	14.3	85.7	8	
Homedale kicking							
Scoring	G	TD	FG	PAT	2-PAT	Total	Avg.
Sweet	6	7	0	0	0	42	7.0
R. Johnson	5	4	2	11	0	41	8.2
Carson	5	4	0	0	3	30	7.5
Martinat	3	5	0	0	0	30	10.0
Christofferson	4	3	0	2	0	20	5.0
Brockett	1	1	0	0	0	6	6.0
Miyasako	1	1	0	0	0	6	6.0
Vance	1	1	0	0	0	6	6.0
Totals	7	26	2	12	3	181	25.9
Marsing offense							
Passing	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yards	YPG	TDs
M. Quebrado	19	55	6	.346	439	23.1	4
B. Smith	3	18	5	.167	35	11.7	0
Finley	0	2	2	.000	0	0.0	0
Gibson	3	14	0	.214	36	36.0	0
McClellin	0	2	1	.000	0	0.0	0
Totals	25	89	14	.281	510	63.4	4
Marsing defense							
Rushing	G	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	TDs	
McClellin	6	132	850	6.4	141.7	9	
Gibson	5	76	299	3.9	59.8	1	
Sauer	7	43	199	4.6	28.4	2	
Price	4	27	39	1.4	9.8	0	
Marcial	1	6	17	0.0	17.0	0	
Mantujano	1	1	1	1.0	1.0	0	
B. Smith	2	2	-12	-6.0	-6.0	0	
Branin	1	1	-9	-9.0	-9.0	0	
M. Quebrado	5	32	-66	-2.1	-13.2	0	
Tuckness	1	1	18	18.0	18.0	0	
Totals	7	321	1,333	3.9	171.8	12	
Marsing special teams							
Receiving	G	Rec.	Yards	YPR	YPG	TDs	
McClellin	2	7	170	24.3	85.0	2	
Salvas	1	2	99	12.0	12.0	1	
Price	2	2	52	26.0	26.0	1	
Covey	5	6	103	17.2	20.6	0	
Branin	1	2	36	18.0	18.0	0	
Smith	1	2	26	13.0	26.0	0	
Marcial	1	1	13	13.0	13.0	0	
S. Quebrado	1	1	5	5.0	5.0	0	
Sauer	2	2	6	3.0	3.0	0	
Totals	7	25	510	20.4	63.4	4	
Marsing kicking							
Scoring	G	TD	FG	PAT	2-PAT	Total	Avg.
McClellin	7	11	0	0	5	76	10.9
Sauer	6	2	0	0	0	12	2.0
Price	4	1	0	0	1	8	2.0
Gibson	5	1	0	0	1	8	1.6
Salvas	5	1	0	0	0	6	1.2
Mantujano	2	0	0	1	0	1	0.5
Totals	7	16	0	1	7	111	15.9

Rimrock offense							
Passing	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yards	YPG	TDs
Hofer	23	55	3	.436	371	74.2	0
Aquiso	1	2	0	.500	28	28.0	0
Totals	24	57	3	.421	399	79.8	0
Rimrock defense							
Rushing	G	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	TDs	
Aquiso	6	81	501	6.2	83.5	4	
A. Hofer	6	69	228	3.3	38.0	3	
C. Hipwell	6	47	181	3.9	30.2	0	
Snyder	6	21	88	4.2	14.7	2	
Totals	6	218	998	4.6	166.3	9	
Rimrock special teams							
Receiving	G	Rec.	Yards	YPR	YPG	TDs	
Aquiso	5	10	155	15.5	31.0	0	
Welsh	4	5	51	10.2	12.3	0	
Jacobo	1	3	27	9.0	27.0	0	
Richardson	2	2	26	13.0	13.0	0	
Salinas	2	2	100	50.0	50.0	0	
C. Hipwell	1	1	8	8.0	8.0	0	
Totals	4	24	367	15.3	73.4	0	
Rimrock kicking							
Scoring	G	TD	FG	PAT	2-PAT	Total	Avg.
Aquiso	4	4	0	0	3	30	7.5
A. Hofer	3	3	0	0	1	20	6.7
Welsh	2	1	0	0	1	8	4.0
N. Hofer	1	0	0	0	1	2	2.0
Snyder	1	1	0	0	0	6	6.0
Totals	6	9	0	0	6	66	11.0

PREP STANDINGS

Football				
3A SRV	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Weiser	3	0	7	0
Fruitland	2	1	6	1
Homedale	2	1	4	3
Middleton	2	1	3	4
McCall	0	3	1	5
Payette	0	3	3	3
This week's games (All played Friday, 7 p.m.)				
Homedale at Middleton				
McCall-Donnelly at Fruitland				
Weiser at Payette				
Last week's scores				
Weiser 57, Homedale 12				
Fruitland 62, Payette 7				
Middleton 37, McCall 24				
2A WIC				
	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Melba	3	0	5	2
Nampa Chr.	3	0	7	0
New Plymouth	1	2	1	6
Parma	1	2	3	4
Marsing	0	4	1	7
This week's games (All played Friday, 7 p.m.)				
Nampa Christian at Melba				
New Plymouth at Parma				
Last week's scores				
Nampa Christian 44, Marsing 20				
Melba 50, New Plymouth 6				
1A, Div. I				
	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Garden Valley	3	0	6	0
Cascade	2	1	4	3
Council	2	1	3	3
Rimrock	1	2	1	5
Idaho City	1	2	3	4
Tri-Valley	0	3	0	7
This week's games (Played Friday)				
Idaho City at Rimrock, 7 p.m.				
Council at Tri-Valley, 7 p.m.				

Garden Valley at Cascade, 3:30 p.m.

Last week's scores
Garden Valley 66, Rimrock 16
Council 54, Cascade 24
Pine Eagle, Ore., 52, Tri-Valley 18

Tri-Co	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Crane	4	0	6	0
Prairie City	3	1	3	2
Burnt River	2	2	2	3
Hunt.-Harp.	2	2	2	5
Jordan Valley	2	2	3	3
Day-Mnt-Mitch	2	3	3	3
Spray	0	5	0	5

This week's games (Played Friday)
Crane at Jordan Valley, 2 p.m.
Prairie City at Burnt River
(Played Saturday)
Dayville-Monument-Mitchell at Harper-Huntington

Last week's scores
Jordan Valley 53, Walker-Warren 0
Crane 60, Harper-Huntington 6
Dayville-Monument-Mitchell 26, Burnt River 18
Prairie City 70, Spray 36

Old Ore.	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Wallowa	3	0	5	1
Joseph	3	1	6	1
Adrian	3	1	5	1
Imbler	2	2	4	3
Powder Vlly	1	2	2	4
Cove	0	3	3	3
Pine Eagle	0	3	3	3

This week's games (Played Friday)
Wallowa at Adrian, 7 p.m.
Joseph at Powder Valley
Pine Eagle at Cove

Last week's scores
Joseph 62, Adrian 12

Wallowa 72, Powder Valley 12
Imbler 34, Cove 0
Pine Eagle 52, Tri-Valley 18

PREP RESULTS Football Weiser 57 Homedale 12

Homedale 0 0 6 6 — 12
Weiser 14 17 13 13 — 57

First quarter
Wei — Harberd 24 pass from Lancaster (Perez kick), 2:23
Wei — Svedin 15 run (Perez kick), 10:27

Second quarter
Wei — Burch 7 run (Perez kick), :45
Wei — Hopkins 34 pass from Svedin (Perez kick), 3:18
Wei —FG Perez 22, 12:00

Third quarter
Hom —Sweet 23 pass from Krzesnik (kick failed), 8:22
Wei — Lancaster 44 run (Perez kick), 9:44
Wei — Alder blocked punt recovery in end zone (kick failed), 11:04

Fourth quarter
Wei — Chandler 1 run (kick failed), 3:45
Wei — Scharbrough 25 run (Perez kick), 7:08
Hom — R. Johnson 20 run (pass failed), 10:17

Team statistics		
	Hom	Wei
First downs	9	16
Rushes-yards	37-23	42-305
Passing yards	119	69
Passing	8-18-3	5-10-0
Total yards	142	374
Punts-Avg.	4-31.0	3-28.3
Penalties	9-53	6-48
Fumbles-lost	1-1	3-2

Individual statistics
Rushing — Hom: Christoffer-son 5-3, Martinat 4-9, R. Johnson 11-50, Carson 10-12, Jolley 3-(-33), Krzesnik 3-(-22), Miyasako 1-4. Wei: Burch 10-68, Svedin 12-85, Scharbrough 3-35, Lan-caster 7-57, M. Overgaard 1-3, Chandler 4-24, Richins 3-22, Perez 2-11

Passing — Hom: Christoffer-son 1-3-1 -2, Krzesnik 7-14-1 121, Lootens 0-1-1 0. Wei: Lan-caster 4-9-0 35, Svedin 1-1-0 34

Receiving — Hom: Wass 1-(-2), Carson 1-1, Martinat 1-21, Lootens 2-25, Gonzalez 1-22, Sweet 2-52. Wei: Harberd 1-24, Hopkins 3-45, Svedin 1-0

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Sports



Up close and personal

Jordan Valley High School volleyball players got autographs from gracious NNU players after the game. Photo by Michelle Elsner

JV volleyball players visit NNU

by Hayley Johnson, JVHS

Saturday, the Jordan Valley Mustangs weren't scheduled to have a volleyball game.

Yet if you were to ask any of the girls on the team, or even one of their coaches, they would have told you that they enjoyed one of the most intense games this year because most of the team went to Nampa to watch Northwest Nazarene University play Humboldt State.

When faced with a week without a game, Mustangs coach Jacque Naegle suggested that

the team travel to watch the Crusaders, who put on a summer volleyball camp for the Mustangs earlier this year.

Team members carpooled to Nampa, meeting in front of the Johnson Sports Center on the NNU campus. They received free admission by NNU head coach Jared Slinger and assistant coach (and wife) Lisa Slinger, who also put on the summer camp.

While the Crusaders ended up losing to the Lumberjacks, the game was extremely close and intense. It took Humbolt State

four games to defeat NNU, with scores so close they sometimes went past 30.

Even though the Mustangs didn't suit down and actually play, they were able to pick up some excellent volleyball tips, as well as freebies from drawings that were held during timeouts.

At the end of the game, NNU players signed T-shirts and pictures for the Jordan Valley team.

Overall, a fun time was had by those who went, and it kept the players' minds focused on volleyball.

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Sports

Mustangs cruise to third straight win

Alek Quintero and Jerry Wroten weren't very kind hosts to the Warren-Walker football team Friday afternoon at Jordan Valley High School.

Quintero had a hand in four touchdowns as the Mustangs trounced their non-league opponents from Henderson, Nev., 53-0.

Wroten scored three touchdowns — all on the ground — and was in only seven tackles, including five solo efforts as the Mustangs won for the third consecutive time.

Jordan Valley (3-3 overall) has allowed only 12 points in its past three games. The Mustangs evened their Tri-Co League record at 2-2 with a 40-6 shellacking of Spray two weeks ago.

This week, Jordan Valley plays its last regular-season home game of the year, playing host to Crane in a 2 p.m. contest Friday.

Last week's matinee against Warren-Walker turned out to be a horror flick for the Wolverines, who had only touched down in the Northwest about three hours before kickoff.

Quintero took advantage of the weary Wolverines, opening the scoring with a 51-yard run in the



Scoring machine

Jerry Wroten, left, motors toward the goal line for one of his three rushing touchdowns Friday in Jordan Valley's rout of Warren-Walker from Henderson, Nev. Photo by Tara Echave.

first half. Wroten scored on jaunts of 5 and 7 yards as Jordan Valley owned a 24-0 lead.

Quintero threw a touchdown pass in the second half then raced 63 yards with an interception for another score. He capped the scoring with a 27-yard run.

Wroten rambled 35 yards for another score in the second half, too.

In all, Quintero personally

scored 24 points for the Mustangs. With his TD passes and passes on extra points, he had a hand in more than half of the Mustangs' points.

Walker-Warren fell to 0-7 in suffering its second straight shutout of the year and third of the season. The Wolverines have been outscored 239-38 in six games this season. Their seventh loss was a forfeit.



Riveting ride

Frank McKay thrills a packed house during the Owyhee Rope N Ride held Sept. 23-25 in Jordan Valley, Ore. Photo by Bill Bruce.

Record crowd watches Owyhee Rope and Ride

Cowboys and rodeo fans gathered Sept. 23-25 in Jordan Valley, Ore., for the seventh annual Owyhee Rope and Ride. Cowboys from Idaho, Oregon and Nevada took part in a thrilling rodeo competition in front of a record crowd.

The Rope and Ride included stock dog trials, a classic stock saddle bronc riding competition, highly competitive muley steer roping and real western horse Roping.

Rounding out the activities were a Western Trade Show, craft and artist displays, silent auctions and several raffles highlighted by the drawing for a heavy-duty, ranch-worthy four-wheeler.

Roy Phillips of Weiser won the four-wheeler. Nancy Tuttle was winner of the truck bed-liner.

The Rope and Ride has raised more than \$170,000 for the Owyhee County Cattlemen's Legal Defense Fund and the Oregon Cattlemen's Legal Defense Fund during the past seven years.

Eighty sponsors joined forces to support this Owyhee Rope & Ride coordinated by the Jordan Valley Rodeo Board. The sponsors included agribusinesses, ranchers and other private individuals and supporting enterprises from the eastern Oregon-Western Idaho Owyhee River region that support the effort to protect the future of ranching and economic well-being of the communities in this area.

Kenny and Sylvia Bahem conducted the silent auction for this year's event, and Agri-Beef Co.. donated all of the cattle for the event.

The Owyhee and Malheur legal defense funds were organized seven years ago to defend the future of ranching, small communities and agribusinesses of the region. In addition, they are defending and promoting the programs that ranchers themselves as longtime

supreme "stewards of the land" have implemented to enhance, build and protect the environment for future generations.

With constructive "multiple use" combining ranching, logging, hunting and recreation as their goal, these organizations currently have concentrated their full resources to defend their position against environmental extremists' legal battle in Owyhee and Malheur counties.

Jordan Valley Rope N Ride results Sept. 24

Stock saddle bronc Riding — 1. Jack Payne, 160 points on two; 2. Rollie Lisle, 158; 3. Bryan Schwabauer, 152; 4. Dusty Easterday, 151; 5. Ryan Hayes, 142

Muley roping fast times — First go: Lucas Williams and Dennis Stanford, 10.29 seconds (\$80/team); second go: Ed Dunlap and Shawn Lequerica, 9.13 (\$80/team)

Muley roping average — 1. Wannie Mackenzie and Josh Mackenzie, 38.14 (\$784/team); 2. Wannie Mackenzie and Pat Stanford, 42.03 (\$588/team); 3. Ed Dunlap and Shawn Lequerica, 43.57 (\$392/team); 4. Jack Payne and Ryan Bruce, 43.84 (\$196/team)

Sept. 25

Muley roping fast time — Jeremy Sutfin and Jared McFarlane, 9.30 (\$200/team)

Horse roping fast time — Ed Dunlap and Sammy Mackenzie, 12.33, \$200/team

Average—1. Jason Eiguren and Shawn Lequerica, 71.81 (\$1,960/team); 2. Mike Pendergrass and Pat Woodcock, 78.88 (\$1,470/team); 3. Ryan Mackenzie and Sammy Mackenzie, 90.08 (\$980/team); 4. Casey Brunson and Wannie Mackenzie, 106.00 (\$490/team)

Warren-Walker cures wanderlust in Jordan Valley

Some would say it was a long way to travel just to get handed a 53-0 non-league high school football loss, but maybe Warren-Walker Green Valley Academy made the trip from Henderson, Nev., to Jordan Valley, Ore., to rack up some frequent flier miles.

Or maybe it was just for the experience.

"We're looking forward to having a positive experience," Warren-Walker athletic director Milan O'Hala said the day before his team boarded a Southwest Airlines jet Friday morning and flew from Las Vegas to Boise only to hop a bus to Jordan Valley for an afternoon football game.

Just another road trip, right? "Other than Owyhee (Nevada) and this trip, the other (road) trip may have been an hour," O'Hala said, referring to trips taken to Laughlin, Nev., and Sandy Valley, Nev., for games earlier this year.

But O'Hala wasn't expecting the trip to Jordan Valley to be as hectic as the trip to Owyhee, a game the Wolverines wound up forfeiting because food poisoning

broke among team members the morning of the game.

"The logistics went well," O'Hala said of the Owyhee trip. "The kids wound up getting food poisoning the morning of the game."

Warren-Walker is a small prep school that is trying to resurrect its eight-man football program. There was no high school team at the school a year ago, but former UNLV players John Greer and Randy Black were hired to serve as coaches this year.

Friday's 53-0 loss to Jordan Valley dropped the Wolverines to 0-7 this season. It's the second-worst defeat for Warren-Walker this year. Keystone Academy, which is the Sandy Valley-based team, crushed the Wolverines 56-0 on Sept. 10.

O'Hala was thrust into the AD job late and put Jordan Valley on the schedule to fill a hole in the agenda.

"We had a former AD who left us with absolutely no schedule," he said. "I was kind of taking anything I could get."

His conversation with the

Owyhee High School brass led him to scheduling a game with Jordan Valley.

The rural setting in Eastern Oregon was sure to be a shock to the system for some of the students at Warren-Walker, but O'Hala said he expected it to be a great experience.

"Maybe they'll have an opportunity to see a different lifestyle," he said of his players. "One they're no accustomed to."

Something else the athletes may not have been accustomed to, though, was long rides on a plane. A group of football players returned to Las Vegas from a Shakespeare Festival in Cedar City, Utah, the morning Warren-Walker left for the Northwest.

It's enough to drive a parent — let alone an administrator — nuts.

"I have great parental involvement," said O'Hala, who had expected about 10 parents to make the trip to Oregon. "They're very pro-football and very pro-athletics."

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8-6. He also scored on two 1-yard runs in the fourth quarter.

Marsing had several missed opportunities in the first half. Chris Covey was wide open in the end zone on a fourth-down play earlier in the first quarter, but he was overthrown. Marsing

forced a fumble only to give the ball back two plays later to set up the short drive that gave Nampa Christian a 16-6 edge at halftime.

"The kids played their hearts out," Heller said.

"We told the seniors to lead the way and prepare the younger kids for next season, and they came through.

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