

'Psychological edge' makes the difference

Waterford Kettering shocks W. Bloomfield

Every coach looks for the psychological edge.

Waterford Kettering coach Mel Patterson found one that helped his previously winless team, which had scored a point all season, defeat an unbeaten West Bloomfield squad, whose defense had not allowed a point.

"We had a meeting last Monday," Patterson said, "where we talked about fear of failure. We had kids with ability who were not giving 100 percent for various reasons, because they were afraid of embarrassing themselves, letting down the team, or parental pressure."

"We just told them you don't get graded for everything you do in the football field," Patterson said, "and if

you give 100 per cent you are at least happy with yourself."

That switch in mental attitude lifted Kettering to a 7-0 victory over a West Bloomfield team which entered the game ranked 10th among the state's Class A schools. It was the first Greater Oakland Activities League game for both schools.

"MAYBE US BEING 2-0 and them being 0-2 had something to do with it," West Bloomfield coach Dominic Livedoti said. "How do you know what 16 and 17 year olds are thinking. That's what makes this game fun."

"They just wanted the game more than we did," Livedoti said. "They didn't do anything we didn't know

about. They just blocked and tackled better than we did."

If there was one spark plug in Kettering's reversal it was senior end Chuck Aldrich. Three of Kettering's passes were completed all to Aldrich, for a total of 68 yards and two touchdowns. Aldrich also ran the ball on end-around plays, gaining 12 yards in six carries.

The touchdown came with 3:53 to play in the first quarter. Aldrich gathered in a pass from Kettering's sophomore quarterback, Al Duff, at the 15 yard line and raced into the end zone for the score. Aldrich also booted the extra point and kicked off for Waterford.

On defense he was equally devastating. Aldrich intercepted two passes in the game, one late in the second quarter, the other late in the fourth quarter. Both interceptions halted West Bloomfield scoring drives.

West Bloomfield managed only 83 yards passing and 17 rushing against

Waterford.

Sophomore quarterback Chris Mayone completed seven of 18 passes for 76 of the passing yards.

Junior Jeff Cox was West Bloomfield's leading rusher with 38 yards in 10 carries.

BOB VANGORDER was a thorn in the Kettering offense all night. He led the Laker tackle charts with 10. Mark Hall had seven tackles and one fumble recovery. Kelly Neill intercepted a pass.

West Bloomfield was penalized nine times for 55 yards, while Kettering was called eight times for 50 yards.

West Bloomfield's closest scoring threat came late in the second quarter. A 24-yard Mayone to Cox pass and a pass interception penalty combined to give the Lakers possession on Waterford's 19 yard line.

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'It's no upset' - coach claims

Lathrup stuns Dondero, 8-0

By CAROL AZIZIAN

Call the Southfield-Lathrup locker room these days and you're likely to hear a happy individual answer, "Southfield-Lathrup, home of the Chargers. We're No. 1!"

That's the way Lathrup assistant football coach Ron Brown was answering the phone last Friday night. And he was answering it often.

Fans and reporters were calling in droves to ask if the rumor was true. Did Lathrup really knock off top-rated Royal Oak Dondero? Lathrup coach Darrell Harper was only too happy to report that the rumor was true.

"Try and emphasize that this was our victory, and not an upset," Harper told a reporter after the game. "We're a very good football team — and not many people knew that."

Lathrup scored only once on a one-

yard quarterback sneak by Craig Rowley — and then used some rugged defense to make that touchdown stand up against a normally explosive Dondero team, which one daily newspaper had rated the top Class A team in the state.

Dondero, the perennial champion of the Metro Suburban Association, had scored 59 points in its first two games this season, recording easy victories over Ferndale and Hazel Park.

BUT LATHRUP was looking forward to an improved season after winning only three games last year. Lathrup had noched victories over Birmingham Seaholm and Ferndale.

Rowley, a 6-foot-1, 175-pound junior, was the key to Lathrup's offense against Dondero. Rowley used the QB keeper often, gaining 90 yards in 27 carries to top the Chargers' individual

rushing statistics.

Rowley also ran for the two-point conversion after Joe Sullivan's successful point-after-touchdown kick was called back because of a Dondero off-side penalty. The Lathrup touchdown came with 3:21 left in the second quarter.

Lathrup rushed for 196 yards to Dondero's 65.

Now, about that Lathrup defense. Harper was hard-pressed to name his leaders because it was a "total team effort."

"I can't single out any one player," Harper said. "It was just a total team effort, and a great team victory. Some of these kids stayed in for the whole game and gave 100 per cent."

One Lathrup defender deserves recognition, however. Mike Montemurri, a 160-pound senior halfback, intercepted a pass in the Dondero endzone

with 1:24 left in the game and the Oaks zeroing in for a touchdown.

MOST OF Dondero's offensive spunk came by way of quarterback Mike Whyard's passes. The 170-pound Dondero senior completed six of 19 attempts for 127 yards. Lathrup had only 14 yards passing.

Whyard's favorite receiver was 6-3, 200-pound Dan Stark, who caught all six completions for a total of 100 yards.

Dondero coach Irv Loftin had little to say after the game. "We're a good, hard-working team," he said. "But Lathrup just played better than we did."

Lathrup plays next on Friday (Sept. 30) at home against Bloomfield Hills Lahser. The MSA contest begins at 8 p.m. Dondero travels to Rochester Adams for a MSA game on Saturday at 2 p.m.

Kimball blanks Southfield, 21-0

By TOM BAER

Southfield High's fate may have been sealed during the first few minutes of its Southeastern Michigan Association football game with Royal Oak Kimball last Friday.

Kimball won the game, 21-0, but Southfield showed signs of last season's greatness — for a few brief moments at the beginning of the game, anyway.

Southfield's speedy Jim Kurylo, a 155-pound running back, took the opening kickoff on his 10-yard line and dashed 82 yards along the Southfield sideline for what appeared to be a thrilling touchdown and end to the Blue-Jays' scoring drought.

But Kimball's Andy Lofgren caught

up with Kurylo and hauled him down just eight yards short of a TD. Southfield couldn't move the ball from there, and a fourth-down field goal by Bob Fromm was wide.

From then on, it was all downhill for Southfield, which has lost its first three games this season and which hasn't scored a point in its last 10 quarters of football.

"Stopping that drive was the turning point of this game for us," said Kimball coach Paul Terner, whose Knights have been favored to win the SMA football crown this year. "Our defense was fired up after that."

Terner hasn't had to worry too much about his offense this season with the likes of Bruce Brownie, Clark

Malsberger and John Bryant.

Brownie, an explosive 170-pound halfback, carried the ball 20 times and gained 208 of Kimball's 321 yards rushing. He scored touchdowns on runs of 29 and 38 yards. Bryant, a rangy quarterback, threw two-point conversion passes after both those touchdowns and kicked a 33-yard field goal to boot.

Talsberger, a 170-pound fullback, kept things moving toward Southfield's goal with 128 yards in 18 carries. Kimball was the recipient of a two-point safety in the first quarter, when Southfield punter Mike McCann tossed a badly-snapped punt out of his endzone.

Kimball's defense was led by linebacker Jim Fitzpatrick, tackle Bill Peterson and end Dave Rowland.

Each was given credit for six solo tackles.

Southfield wasn't without its defensive heroes. Ted Prapas, for example, had 10 solos, and teammate Dane Smith had eight. Smith provided Southfield with its only other glimmer of hope late in the game when he nailed QB Bryant on a roll-out pass attempt, knocked the ball loose and recovered the fumble on the Blue Jay 30.

Southfield QB Blaize Catti completed a 10-yard pass to Tony Chapman, but the Jays couldn't move after that.

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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS, COUNTY OF OAKLAND
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