

Baughman's field goal saves Brother Rice

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Was that Count Scary masquerading in Dearborn High football uniforms Saturday night?

It must have seemed that way to the Birmingham Brother Rice gridders, who pulled out a 17-14 overtime win over the Pioneers Saturday night. The game was part of a double-header at the Pontiac Silverdome. Detroit Catholic Central beat Traverse City in the opener, 26-14.

Mike Baughman's field goal on fourth down proved to be the margin of

victory for Rice.

Rice, which dominated the first half and led 6-0, had a hobbled look for the third and fourth quarters as Dearborn began to capitalize on Warrior mistakes.

The underdog Pioneers, whose line averaged only 188 pounds per man to Rice's 229, put up a gallant effort in defeat.

"Those kids (from Dearborn) really played a fine game," said Rice coach Al Fracassa. "You have to give them and coach (Dick) Ryan a lot of credit."

Dearborn, picked last in the fourth-team Suburban Eight League by a con-

sensus of coaches, forced the overtime when quarterback Jon Podany scored on a one-yard sneak and hit a sprawling Kris Beers in the end zone for the two-point conversion, making the count 14-14.

Both teams had decent field position in the final two minutes of regulation time, but failed to score.

IN THE OVERTIME, Dearborn took the ball first and had four downs to score from Rice's 10-yard line. The Pioneers got as far as the three before electing to try a field goal. Hal Nguyen's attempt hit the left upright,

paving the way for a Rice victory. The Dearborn defense, however, didn't go down without a fight, stopping Rice on three straight running attempts. With the ball at the one, Fracassa went with the sure three points as Baughman was letter perfect with his kick.

Rice appeared to be well on its way to victory when Mel Farr Jr. raced 55 yards for a TD, giving the Warriors a 12-0 lead. Baughman hit Terry Galvin when he recovered a fumble by Baughman at the Rice 16-yard line.

Dearborn, however, behind the scrambling of Podany and the running of Mike Gass, fought back to cut the deficit to eight. The Pioneers march of 60 yards in eight plays was capped by Podany's 10-yard TD strike to Kreg Palko.

The aroused Pioneer defense then controlled play in the latter stages of the fourth quarter. Guard Robert Ciszewski set up Dearborn's tying points when he recovered a fumble by Baughman at the Rice 16-yard line.

FARR, who did not carry the ball in

the first half, led all rushers with 102 yards in 13 carries.

"We're kind of excited about Farr," said Fracassa. "But he's young and was a little jumpy for the first game. It was his first real test."

Podany connected on seven of 15 passes for 76 yards. His play impressed Fracassa.

"They knew they could pass on us," said the Rice coach. "It was very smart for him (Ryan) to have him (Podany) sprint out on us. And we kept chasing him."

Oh, that's scary for an opener.

Area football roundup

Cranbrook slips past Cleveland grid foe, 7-6

Cranbrook started off the 1982 football campaign by defeating Cleveland University School 7-6 Saturday, averaging a 36-0 whitewash last season.

Cleveland took advantage of a Cranbrook miscue that accounted for the opening score of the game. In the second quarter, Cleveland's Jeff Brown picked up a Cranbrook fumble and rambled 25 yards into the end zone for a touchdown.

Following the score, Cleveland attempted a fake kick in a try for a two-point conversion, but the Cranes stopped them cold.

In the third quarter, Cranbrook scored what the winning points when quarterback Pete Long teamed with Richard Haggerty for a 27-yard touchdown pass. The point after touchdown was good, and the Cranbrook defense held on for the victory.

Leading the Cranbrook offense was Elijah Jones who gained 91 yards on 23 carries. Quarterback Long was three for six in the passing department for 59 yards and one touchdown.

John Gianpatroni had an interception for the winners near the end of the game that ended Cleveland's thoughts of a comeback.

The Cranes will travel to Detroit Country Day School Friday for a 4:30 p.m. contest.

COUNTRY DAY 23 ST. MARY'S 6

Detroit Country Day School racked up 261 yards total offense and defeated Orchard Lake St. Mary's 23-6 in a game played at the Pontiac Silverdome Sunday evening.

The Yellowjackets scored all the points they needed in the second quarter following a scoreless first period.

With 2:31 remaining in the half, senior quarterback George Clark hit sophomore wide receiver Reggie Holmes for a 20-yard touchdown pass. Senior Tom Kendrow kicked the PAT.

Just two minutes later, the Clark-to-Holmes show appeared again on a nine-yard scoring strike with Kendrow

again kicking the point after.

St. Mary's came back with a touchdown in the third quarter on a Ignatius-Clark seven-yard touchdown pass with the two-point conversion failing.

Country Day capped the scoring in the fourth quarter, on a field goal and touchdowns.

With 8:03 remaining in the game, Kendrow booted a 28-yard field goal. With just 36 seconds remaining, senior Chris Mazor scored from one yard out. The PAT failed.

Mazor's score was set up by a Hiram Jackson interception that he returned 17 yards to the St. Mary seven yard line.

The Country Day offense was led by the strong throwing arm of Clark, who was 10 of 22 for 173 yards.

Junior Doug Howell carried the ball

12 times and had 53 of the Yellow Jackets' 88 rushing yards. Mazor carried the ball 14 times for 33 yards.

The Country Day defense was stingy, giving up just 111 yards total offense with 36 coming from the air and 75 on the ground.

Country Day will host Cranbrook Friday in a 4:30 p.m. contest.

EDEL FORD 46 ANDOVER 7

Bloomfield Hills Andover couldn't overcome a spectacular performance by Edsel Ford's quarterback Mike Beitz in a losing 46-7 cause Saturday in Dearborn.

Beitz stole the show, being directly responsible for six of the seven Edsel Ford touchdowns. The senior quarterback threw for three touchdowns and

ran for three others in the opening game for both squads.

Andover's lone score came with 1:18 remaining in the third quarter, as senior running back Scott Crankshaw scampered 54 yards for a touchdown. Tom Schneider kicked the point after and that was all the scoring Andover would do for the afternoon.

"They really wore us out," Baron head coach Frank Buford said. "We didn't fare as well as I thought we would against them. They (Edsel Ford) are really a good football team, and it was a tough opening game for us," he added.

Edsel Ford was aided by six turnovers by Andover.

The Barons lost three fumbles, and quarterback Jim Kalahar threw three interceptions to aid the Falcons.

Crankshaw finished the day with 78 yards rushing on 15 carries. Kalahar gained 54 yards on 10 carries, and Beitz was three for 15 in the passing category for 31 yards.

Matt Bortfield caught two of Kalahar's passes for 20 yards.

Andover will host Hazel Park in an 8 p.m. game Friday night which will mark the opening of league play for both teams.

FHS wins soccer match

Farmington High scored once in the first half and five more in the second as the Falcons blanked Novi, 6-0, Friday night.

Mike Madrid, on an assist from Andrew McKendrick, scored the first goal. Scott Bartram started the second half with an unassisted goal, and Steve Barnes, on an assist from Marion Said, scored the first of his two goals.

Jon Gregory scored on a Said assist, and Byrnes and Said added unassisted goals to close out the scoring. Goalie Andy Butting turned back four shots to record the shutout.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS Cranbrook suffered its first soccer setback of the season Monday as the Cranes dropped a 4-3 verdict to Cleveland University School.

The Cranes, 2-1 overall this season, received one goal each from Joel Brown, Jon Doer and Joe Zadeh.

Steve Heupler scored twice for Cleveland University School.

Keith King led the midfield play for Cranbrook, while Brown played strong defense.

SOUTHFIELD CHRISTIAN, which

opened the season last Friday with a 3-1 win over Farmington Lutheran Northwest, fell to 1-1 Monday after a 7-0 loss to Hamtramck.

Conti Lulu had a productive day for Hamtramck as he scored all seven goals. Hamtramck outshot Southfield Christian, 26-5.

Southfield Christian had better luck against Lutheran Northwest as Brian Roy scored twice and Doug Dietzman scored once in the 3-0 win. Dave Northman earned the shutout. John Devine added two assists.

In another recent outing, Royal Oak Kimball blanked Christian, 6-0. Christian owns a 1-2 record.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS Roesper evened its record at 1-1 Tuesday with a 4-0 soccer victory over Pontiac Oakland Christian.

The Rough Riders picked up goals from Eric Siegel, Matt Banks, Peter Marloty and Paul Silverman.

Goalie Jim Spencer turned back three shots to earn the shutout.

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