

Thurston player surprise recruit

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staff writer

What is blowing in the football recruiting winds?

The answer, my friends, is not much when it comes to Oberlin-area players. That's despite the fact that two area schools, Farmington Harrison in Class B and Redford Catholic Central in Class A, played last fall in state championship games, and each school, Westland John Glenn, also qualified for the state playoffs.

Last year 11 area players signed with NCAA Division I-A or I-AA schools, but that number is significantly down this year for various reasons.

Wednesday was the first day schools could sign high school football players to national letters-of-intent.

Of Tuesday, only six Oberlin-area players have been tendered football scholarships to Division I schools.

Among those who signed on Wednesday: Dorian Marshall, a 6-foot-2, 260-pound tackle from Redford; Bishop Borgess (Indiana);

Bryant Saterlee, 6-2, 210-pound linebacker/fullback from John Glenn (Central Michigan); Dale Kutz, 6-6, 232-pound tackle from Farmington Harrison (Cincinnati); Bryan Wauldrin, 6-2, 170-pound wide receiver/defensive back from Harrison (Eastern Michigan); Mike Boyle, 6-8, 220-pound tackle from Redford St. Agatha (EMU); and Tim Wojcik, 6-0, 205-pound fullback/linebacker from Redford Thurston (CMU).

WOJCIK IS PROBABLY the biggest surprise.

A second-team All-Area pick, the Thurston grinder reportedly is one of 13 players to be offered scholarships by Central Michigan.

Wojcik played on a team that went 0-9 and finished dead last in the Tri-River League. He finished the season at quarterback.

"This just proves that a player can be discovered, even in a program that is not going well," said Thurston coach Bob Snell. "Tim is a strong kid who can take punishment. With us, he had to earn every yard this season."

"Central is thin at fullback. He has

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the type of frame where he could easily go up to 230 pounds."

Ironically, several players from the more heralded Redford CC team are wondering if anyone is going to call.

The team's most publicized player during the season, linebacker/fullback Lee Krueger, is headed for Wisconsin on a wrestling scholarship with the option of walking on the football team.

CC All-Area defensive back Chris Johnson was being pursued up until the signing date by the Naval Academy, but was also seriously considering Hillsdale, a top-ranked NIAA school.

AMONG THE OTHER All-Area players from CC awaiting offers are: tackle Jack Dankert, who is considering Holy Cross (where his brother Pete plays), Hillsdale and Penn;

quarterback Scott Hauncher, a merit scholar who has had talks with officials from Hillsdale, Holy Cross and the Ivy League; tight end Lou Yeager, leaning toward the Air Force Academy; center/linebacker Pat McCallis, Division III Albion or Dayton; and kicker/punter Pete Elezovic, Central Michigan (partial grant-in-aid) or Michigan (walk-on).

"I don't know what happened, it's been a strange year," said CC coach Tom Mach. "A lot of these guys will be going somewhere because of their good academics and maybe that's better because they won't be tied down to football. Holy Cross, for instance, has done away with football scholarships and that makes it tough."

Coaches from Division II schools, particularly those in the Great Lakes Interscholastic Athletic Conference, are waiting for Division I schools to provide their lists before making any moves.

But several players signed with Division II schools Wednesday, including Livonia Lincoln quarterback Craig Allard (Hillsdale); Wayne Memorial tight/end linebacker Scott Kopezyk (Saginaw Valley State); and

Livonia Stevenson tackle Erik Ruth (Wayne State). Ruth has also been named to the Michigan High School Coaches All-Star team.) Two others have committed to GLIAC schools, including CC tackle Rod Vernier (Ferris State) and Thurston tackle Chris Kites (WSU).

ALLARD IS ANOTHER surprise, considering he is only 5-10 1/2, 160 pounds. He finished the year at running back for the Patriots, who finished with a 6-3 record.

"He's an option quarterback and he (Hillsdale) like his quick feet and his ability to pitch the ball," said Franklin coach Armand Vigna.

Franklin All-Area defensive back Joe Ransley, along with Glenn wide receiver Greg Anderson and Redford Union punter/flanker Joe Dellgaug, are also looking.

The lack of interest in Dellgaug is one of the biggest mysteries.

The 5-11, 180-pound senior averaged 42 yards per punt and caught a school-record 65 passes for the Panthers.

Shamrocks down Pilots in swimming

Redford Catholic Central captured nine of 11 events Tuesday, sinking Warren DeLaSalle 65-28 in a Catholic League swimming meet at Farmington Hills Academy.

Nike Hoefflein and Andy Jacobs each figured in three first place finishes for the Shamrocks, now 6-2 overall.

Hoefflein took firsts in the 50 and 200 freestyles with times of 23.32 and 5:02.8, respectively, while Kovach added wins in the 100 butterfly (57.38) and 100 backstroke (1:00.89). The two also combined with Andy Jacobs and Trey Shumate to win the 200 medley relay in 1:45.61.

Other first place finishers for the Shamrocks included: Brian Dyna, 200 freestyle, 2:01.02; Jacobs, 200 IM, 4:07.59; Mike Patrick, diving, 134.15 points; and Shumate, 100 freestyle, 50.67.

CC returns to action at 5 p.m. Friday at Toledo (Ohio) St. Francis.

MARATHON DATE

The 13th West-Bloomfield Half Marathon will take place Sunday, April 16. The starting time is 12:30 p.m.

To receive an entry form, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation, 3325 Middlebelt 48033. The entry fee is \$10 if runners register on or before Friday, April 7. The registration fee after that date is \$15.

For further information, contact Scott Van Meter of the West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation

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Department at 334-5660.

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT at said election the following proposition will appear on the ballot:

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- Constructing and equipping an athletic stadium; constructing improvements to existing outdoor athletic facilities and playgrounds; acquiring additional land for site purposes; and developing and improving sites;

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education, Walled Lake Consolidated School District, Oakland County, Michigan.

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Walled Lake Board of Education

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