

Gusoff guides unbeaten CC to 24-7 victory

By Dan O'Meara Staff Writer

Coach Tom Mach used some psychology last week to light a fire under Redford Catholic Central full-back Dan Gusoff — and it worked. Gusoff responded by lighting up the scoreboard and the opposing defense Saturday night as the Shamrocks shot down Warren DeLaSalle 24-7 at Clarenceville High School.

The senior duo of Gusoff (6-0, 230) and tailback Jeff Tibaldi was an effective backfield combination, accounting for 190 of CC's 218 total rushing yards.

Gusoff had a game-high nine plays for 23 carries and scored a pair of 1-yard touchdowns. Tibaldi rushed 23 times for 92 yards, including a 75-yard TD burst. Kerry Zavagnin kicked a 29-yard field goal for the Shamrocks.

"I sat out and observed a lot in practice," Gusoff said. "Coach said I wasn't hitting the holes fast enough or running hard. I sat down and thought about it, and tonight I was ready to go."

"It was really sitting there (in practice) and watching somebody else play your position. The first time I got the ball tonight I got seven yards, and I knew I was going to have a good game."

MACH was pleased with the performance of his offense, but especially with Gusoff, who benefited from the work of linemen Steve Leiger, Aaron Babics, Dan Crest, Brian Brewer, Dan Liebau, and Dave Bruhowski.

"We knew he had it in him, and we had to get it out of him," Mach said. "I think he realizes how well he can run. When he started running so well, we gave it to him more because he had fire in his eyes."

The No. 4-ranked Shamrocks (4-0) not only defeated another unbeaten and state-rated Class AA team, but won their Central Division opener. The No. 10 Pilots are 3-1.

"Everybody thought we would be down, coming off a big game, but this is much bigger," Mach said. "We're thinking about the division and league title before the playoffs."

"After giving ground in the first half, CC's defense was outstanding in the second. DeLaSalle ran only 10 plays in the second half, and two were punts. The Pilots didn't have a first down and had a net total of minus-3 yards.

DeLaSalle quarterback Steve Teodecki completed six of eight pass attempts for 63 yards in the first half, but was 0-for-4 and threw one interception in the second. CC held the Pilots to minus-14 yards rushing and 49 total overall.

"I THINK we tightened it up a little better," Mach said. "We had a better rush and put more pressure on the quarterback. He was making good throws and our backs were having a tough time getting to the ball. We did a better job of recognizing what they were trying to do."

The key series, according to Mach, occurred when the Shamrocks drove 75 yards with the second-half kickoff to take a 17-7 lead on Tibaldi's run.

After each team ran two series without getting a first down, CC's Jason Krueger recovered a fumble on first down at the DeLaSalle 39-yard line. The Shamrocks needed 10 plays for Gusoff to score his second TD with 5:57 left in the game.

CC's Joe Lopez intercepted Teodecki on first down, and the Shamrocks controlled the ball and ran out the clock.

CC had the ball for 13 plays on its first possession, but settled for the Zavagnin field goal. The Pilots came back with a scoring drive, capped by Jim Cunningham's 3-yard TD run.

"We were afraid of (Cunningham)," Mach said. "That guy is really good, and the passing game was effective. We didn't want to get into a battle with them where we were exchanging touchdowns. In the first half, we were not able to (prevent) that because their offense was keeping us off the field."

THE SHAMROCKS, on the trailing end for the first time this year, quickly regained the lead at 10:7 when Gusoff, who got a first down on a fourth-and-1 at the DeLaSalle 3, scored his first TD at 4:58 in the second quarter.

CC has another big game Saturday afternoon when it plays Detroit St. Martin dePorres (3-1) in a rematch of last year's Catholic League championship game. The Eagles host CC in a regular season game, but the Shamrocks won the second meeting 31-0.

Can North end Glenn dominance?

By Brad Emmons and Dan O'Meara Staff Writers

WHAT HAPPENED TO Friday night high school football?

Observeland fans have only four to choose from this weekend.

Most of the action takes place on Saturday, nine games to be exact. The feature attraction is 2 p.m. at Detroit Lutheran West when Redford Catholic Central (4-0), the defending Class AA champs, collide with Detroit St. Martin dePorres (3-1), the defending CC champs, in a battle of the Catholic League's top-rated teams.

A key Catholic League C-D Division (C Section) matchup pits Royal Oak Shrine (2-2) against unbeaten Redford St. Agatha (4-0), 7:30 p.m. at Redford Ursula's Kraft Field.

Another good matchup appears to be the Lakes Division battle in the Western Lakes Activities Association between a pair of 3-1 teams — Westland Glenn at North Farmington.

As far as Friday night action, the most attractive game is Farmington (3-1) at Plymouth Salem (2-2). Is Farmington for real?

The top unbeaten teams left in Observeland are Farmington Harrison, Agatha and CC.

FRIDAY'S GAMES (all 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

Garden City at Dbn. Edsel Ford (4 p.m.) The Coogans (1-2) were in their Northwest Suburban opener last week against Woodstock, suffering a 21-0 loss. Edsel Ford

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(1-1), the pre-season NFL favorite, spoiled Redford Union's night with a 7-0 triumph. PICKS: The Tri-Rails and Joe Proppa do a number on CC.

Jackson N'west at Redford Union: The Mounties (2-2) are big, averaging 230 pounds up front. After a 2-0 start, Northwest has lost to two quality opponents, Jackson Lumen Christ and last week to Tecumseh (3-1-1), flummoxing back Brian Boone has 450 total yards, averaging 11.1 per carry. He has a school record 23 against Harslett. The defense, however, has given up 2 1/2 points per game, and that could be just the loss for RU (2-2). PICKS: RU stays wireless on its newly renovated field.

Belleville at Wayne: The Zebras (2-2) are trying to snap a two-game losing skid after disappointing Winsa. A Lakeview loss to Wyandotte and Lincoln Park. The Tigers (1-3) made a respectable showing last week against Wolverine at League leader Dearborn Fordson, falling by only a 12-0 count. PICKS: Wayne puts a Tiger in its tank.

W.L. Central at Liv. Stevenson: The Wolf Spartans (2-2) are also trying to snap a two-game losing skid and ease the sting of last week's 15-7 overtime loss to Farmington. Central (0-4) appears headed for another crucial season finale, getting thumped last week by North Farmington last week, 56-12. PICKS: Cast an affirmative vote for Stevenson.

Farmington at Ply. Salem: Farmington has consistently surprised the media (see paper) about playing second fiddle to city boss Harrison (even though they don't want to play) and the unbeaten Plymouth Salem (3-1) to prove you're for real against a Salem (2-2) team that woke up last week against Westland Glenn in a big way. PICKS: Leon Hister for Harslett, these two scribble say, Farmington can't break Salem's wishbone.

SATURDAY'S GAMES (all 1 p.m. unless noted)

St. Agatha vs. R.O. Cranbrook: With George on the sidelines, the unbeaten Aggies (4-0) had their best week in the critical C-Section matchup. Former Tri-Section member Divine (2-2) won last week in its C-Section debut, 34-0 over Dearborn St. Agatha. The Aggies, meanwhile, smoked Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard last Sunday, 27-4. Future head coach Jim Schwartz leads the Knights. PICKS: Emmons says Shrine, the C-Section pressure pick, won't be topped. O'Meara sees St. Agatha with a 5-0 record.

Lutheran N'west at Luth. Westland: The Crusaders (2-2) routed Detroit Holy Redeemer last week, 35-4, while Lutheran High Westland suffered its first defeat against Grose Pointe University-Liggett. The series has belonged to the Warriors and indications are that it should stay that way for another year. PICKS: Warriors start another winning streak.

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Fans will miss Ernie, Paul

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Zimmerer. The University of Missouri student couldn't be present, but her parents, Bob and Gayle, were.

"Kari was thrilled just to qualify for something like this. It's a real honor," they said.

Dressed in his Tiger sweat, 11-year-old Denny Kapp of Canton was thrilled to be in the same room with Harwell and Carey.

Ernie's great cause no one else is," he said, manning the popcorn stand. "I love the enthusiasm in Ernie's voice when he calls the games: 'He stood there like a house by the side of the road and watched that one go by.' He gets so involved you can see the game."

It wasn't an easy day for Harwell's family. Julie Harwell of Novi said, while her parents don't plan to suffer home in Farmington Hills. "There might be another ball team. My dad wants to work for two or three more years."

REDFORD'S Paul Scuphalm, executive director of the Friends of the Detroit Library, was on hand to unveil a lithograph of Harwell's all-time historical team, compiled from the collection of rare photos Harwell donated to the library.

Scuphalm talked about the "fascinating way Ernie Harwell affects people. My son just graduated in broadcasting from Central (Michigan), simply because he met and was influenced by him."

In September, when Scuphalm's father was near death at his daughter's home in New Mexico, he told his son the thing he missed most was "my nights with Ernie."

"All I had to do was mention it, and Ernie sent my dad tapes of the championship 1984 season," Paul Scuphalm said. "My dad played them every night."

"We are just devastated (by Ernie's dismissal). They are afraid to admit the crowd is down at the park this year."

REGISTRATION NOTICE FOR CITY OF FARMINGTON REGULAR CITY ELECTION AND SPECIAL COUNTY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 1991

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of the City of Farmington, County of Oakland, Michigan who is not already registered may register for the regular City Election and the Special County Election to be held on the 5th day of November, 1991, in said City.

The City Clerk will be in her office at 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan, on each working day until and including Monday, October 7, 1991, LAST DAY, during regular office hours:

8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Daylight Saving Time

No person whose registration is received after 5:00 p.m. on that date shall be entitled to vote in the elections on November 5, 1991. Applications for registration may be made to the City Clerk of the City of Farmington, or any Secretary of State Office, or elsewhere as permitted by law. Persons who are currently registered need not register.

OAKLAND COUNTY SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING:

COUNTY BOND PROPOSITION
Shall the County of Oakland, Michigan, borrow a sum of money not to exceed Five Hundred Million Dollars (\$500,000,000) and issue its full faith and credit general obligation bonds therefor, in one or more series (the principal and interest on such bonds to be paid primarily from the revenues to be derived from the operation of the Oakland County Solid Waste Management System), to defray the cost of acquiring, constructing and equipping solid waste processing and disposal facilities to serve the Oakland County Solid Waste Management System, including, without limitation, a household hazardous waste program, one or more recycling facilities, one or more composting facilities, a waste-to-energy incinerator and a sanitary landfill?

REGULAR CITY ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING CITY PROPOSITION:

CITY BOND PROPOSITION
Shall the City of Farmington borrow an amount not to exceed One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) and issue its General Obligation Bonds for the purpose of defraying the City's share of the cost of expanding and renovating the existing 47th District Court building and site to accommodate the addition of a third District Court judge?

Should this proposition be adopted?

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City Clerk

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DATE: OCTOBER 21, 1991
TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall 31555 Elyon Mile Road Farmington Hills, MI 48338
Resoning Request 5-6-91
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Farmington Hills City Council will give formal consideration to a proposed amendment to the official Zoning Map of the City of Farmington Hills by amending Section 31.33 of the City Code by changing the zoning classification of the following parcel of property as follows:
Revised from RA-1, Single-Family Residential District classification to RCE, Elderly Housing Residential District classification or SP-1, Special Purpose District classification.
No. 23-03-301-003 TIN, RPE, Section 3, 1.65 Acres
No. 23-03-301-004 TIN, RPE, Section 3, 2.78 Acres
Located on the east side of Farmington Road, north of Thirteen Mile Road.
Any person who is interested in this proposed zoning map amendment is invited to participate in the discussion of the proposed zoning change at the public hearing above mentioned.
DALE A. COUNTEGAN, Director Planning & Community Development
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