

Clark lifts Spartans to win over Falcons

Senior tailback Gado Clark reeled well Friday night. Clark set a school record with 38 rushes as Livonia Stevenson defeated visiting Farmington 34-13. He scored three touchdowns and finished with 228 yards.

The Spartans improved to 2-2 overall and 1-1 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association. The victory broke Stevenson's two-game losing streak.

Stevenson added some insurance on a 23-yard run by Bearner and a 15-yard carry by Clark. Bearner gained 104 yards on only eight carries. As a team, the Spartans outgained Farmington 374-115.

HARPER WOODS 28, CLARENCEVILLE 13: After being previously undefeated Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook for its first victory a week earlier, the Trojans failed to knock off another unbeaten team Friday.

Harper Woods improved to 4-0 in the Metro Conference with its road victory. The Trojans slipped to 1-3 overall and in the league.

Clarenceville scored first when tailback Donavon Fulton found the end zone on a 30-yard touchdown run. Adam King added the extra point for a 7-0 lead.

The Falcons scored two touchdowns in the second quarter and led 14-7 at halftime.

The Trojans countered in the third quarter when quarterback Paulo Hernandez scored on a 1-yard run. The point after was missed and Clarenceville trailed by one. Harper Woods put the game away with a pair of touchdowns.

Hernandez gained 60 yards on three carries. Jason Dillaba led the Clarenceville defense with 15 tackles.

"Last year we got down 13 to them and I thought we quit," DePorres coach Greg Carter said. "I stressed to our guys all week, no matter how things are going, you still have to play four quarters."

CC got the break it was looking for with 2:20 left in the third quarter when junior linebacker Joe Sgroi picked off a Glenn pass and raked 42 yards for a TD.

DePorres, which gained only 162 total yards, came to life behind the passing of Glenn on the final drive. He connected three times with the lanky Johnson, including gains of 20 (on fourth-and-14), 19 and 9 yards.

The game-winning two-point play came after DePorres was penalized for delay of game, but the 6 yards was handed right back when CC intercepted.

Glenn then went right back to his long-armed receiver, who out-fought a pair of CC defenders, Call and Teehey, for the game-winning grab.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
 Friday, Oct. 4
 Chelsea at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
 Luth. Wald. at Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.
 Harrison at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
 Franklin at Canton, 7:30 p.m.
 Stevenson at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.
 N. Farmington at John Glenn, 7:30 p.m.
 Trenton at Garden City, 7:30 p.m.
 Wayne at Wyandotte, 7:30 p.m.
 Thurston at Melvindale, 7:30 p.m.
 Saturday, Oct. 5
 Salem at Farmington, 1 p.m.
 Borgess vs. Riv. Richard at Garden City Jr. High, 2 p.m.
 St. Agatha at Shrine, 7:30 p.m.
 Sunday, Oct. 6
 Redford CC vs. Brother Rice at Pontiac's Warner Stadium, 2 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
 Tuesday, Oct. 2
 Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 6:30 p.m.
 Luth. Wald. at Harper Woods, 6:30 p.m.
 Churchill at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
 Franklin at Farmington, 7 p.m.
 Canton at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
 Harrison at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
 Northville at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Salem, 7 p.m.
 Adams at Wayne, 7 p.m.
 Borgess at Livewood, 7 p.m.
 Mercy at Divine Child, 7 p.m.
 Gab. Richard at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
 Huron Valley vs. Taylor Center at Muskegon Jr. High, 7:30 p.m.
 Thursday, Oct. 3
 St. Agatha at Clarenceville, 5 p.m.
 Luth. Wald. at Luth. Wald., 6:30 p.m.
 Northville at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Franklin at Harrison, 7 p.m.
 Farmington at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
 N. Farmington at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
 Salem at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Canton, 7 p.m.
 Garden City at Trenton, 7 p.m.
 Fordson at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
 Thurston at Taylor Center, 7 p.m.
 Wyandotte at Wayne, 7 p.m.
 Maizee at Mercy, 7 p.m.
 Regina at Borgess, 7 p.m.
BOYS BASKETBALL
 Monday, Sept. 30
 Garden City at Fordson, 4 p.m.
 Southgate at Wayne, 4 p.m.
 Kenney at Thurston, 4 p.m.
 Agape at Macomb Christian, 4:30 p.m.
 W.L. Central at N. Farm., 5:30 p.m.
 Salem at Harrison, 5:30 p.m.
 Farmington at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.
 Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
 John Glenn at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
 Tuesday, Oct. 1
 Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 5:30 p.m.
 Dearborn at Garden City, 7 p.m.
 Wednesday, Oct. 2
 W.L. Western at Farmington, 5:30 p.m.
 Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Franklin at Salem, 7 p.m.
 N. Farmington at Northville, 7 p.m.
 Harrison at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
 Wayne at Allen Park, 7 p.m.

Rocks win tiebreaker to edge Raiders in boys cross country

Winning a tie isn't easy, but Plymouth Salem's boys cross country team managed to do it Thursday. Salem ran against North Farmington at Oakland Community College, and the final score was 28-28.

But the Rocks were determined the victor when Thearon Slinar outran Andy Karl to the finish line. Slinar was timed in 19:24; Karl in 19:41.

It's the "sixth-man rule" invoked to break ties in Western Lakes Activities Association contests. The Raiders captured places 1-2-5-9-11; the Rocks took 3-4-6-7-8. Top nine, in order of finish, were Jon Bertram 18:01; Charles Stamboullan 18:11; Justin Draplin 18:27; Greg Mitchell 18:31; Chris Smith 18:40; Andy Briggs 18:44; Jon Grey 18:01; Bobby Cushman 18:22; and Andy Crane 19:23.

Good times for Falcons
 Farmington High runners had several best times Thursday, but it still wasn't enough to prevent host Walled Lake Central from taking a 17-42 victory.

"Most ran their best times of the year, so it's hard to have any complaint," Farmington coach Chip Bridges said.

Ben Scott ran his best time (17:36) of the season and finished fourth to lead the Falcons.

Rob Biale was ninth (18:28), Mike Eldridge 12th (18:52) and Wes Barrett 13th (18:53), and all three had their career-best times. Ryan Scheidies was 11th at 18:39.

Farmington is 0-3 in the Lakes Division and 2-3 overall.

Warriors defeat Hawks
 Farmington Harrison dropped to 0-2 in Western Division duels Thursday after losing 16-39 to Walled Lake Western at OCC.

Jared Roth was second (17:12) for the Hawks, Jack Ardisson seventh (18:30), Ryan Moloney eighth (18:31), Tony Quirolo 10th (18:35) and Ben Ilmer 12th (19:05). The last three times were personal bests.

"Our kids ran well, but Western ran better," Harrison coach John Reed said. "Western is in the top 10 in the state; we were outmanned today."

FOOTBALL

"It feels good to get back on the winning track," Stevenson coach Tim Gabel said. "It's no fun to get your butts kicked two weeks in a row, which is what happened to us (in losses to Livonia Franklin and Westland John Glenn)."

"But I'm proud of how the team came out tonight and how hard they played. And, obviously, Gado was stellar."

After a scoreless first quarter, Clark got the Spartans on the scoreboard with a 12-yard run. On the next possession, Clark scored on a 1-yard run to make it 12-0.

Stevenson built its lead to 19-0 when senior Kurt Bearner scampered 22 yards. Seth Carriger added the extra point.

Farmington's David Viane

Shamrocks

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ably could," CC coach Tom March said. "With only a few seconds left we got in field-goal range and gave ourselves a chance to win the game."

"It was a great high school football game. Both teams played their hearts out. A lot of things didn't go right in the last minute. I had the feeling it wasn't meant to be."

The game had several twists and turns, but CC had the better of it for nearly four quarters.

The Shamrocks racked up 273 total yards, including 235 on the ground led by senior running back Greg Alcala, who had 118 on 18 carries.

DePorres, meanwhile, couldn't sustain any kind of offense, but stayed close by dodging several bullets.

The Eagles made a goal-line stand with only 15 seconds left in the first half when they nailed CC fullback Chris Duedeke (17 carries for 63 yards) at the 1 on fourth down.

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