Injury-riddled Trojans just keep on winning and winning

BY BRAD ENONS

Most football teams would like to be in Livonia Clarenceville's shoes. The Trojans are 5-1, unbeaten in the Metro Conference and one win away from their fifth straight state playoff berth heading into Friday's clash with Harper Wood's Lutheran East. But, despite a 13-0 win Saturday over host Lutheran Westland, the ranks are begin-ning to get a bit thin and frayed. Fourth-year conch Greg Hudkins, who has led

Disburday, Clarenceville suffered another costly injury when senior wide receiver-safe-ty Glenn Garrant auffered a possible Droken hone in his hand. Hudkins said the 6-foot-6 Garrant rupy be limited only to playing defense this week. Speaking of defense, the Trojans limited Lutheran Westland (3-3, 4-3) to 73 total yards, only 29 on the ground. The Warriors had only 12 net yards in the first half as Clarenceville built a 13-point margin thunks to a pair of Joah Silvernal luvatdow masses - a 24-yarder to Garrant in the opening quarter and a 7-yarcher

frayed. Fourth-year coach Greg Hudkins, who has led Clarenceville to 39-4 record during his tenure, will be absent from the sidelines this e sthis absent from the stormes during a one-game sus-pension after being ejected in the third quarter for unsports-manlike conduct. Already down this season is

24-yarder to Garrant in the opening quarter and a 7-yarder to tight end Ryan Bierschbach in the second. "Our defense has been solid all year," said Hudkins, who

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ment but we have a ways to go if we hope to get (Divine Child) at the league meet and get out of that regional (at Royal Oak Kimball). Hopefully, we'll get it fixed in 10 days."

Kimball), Hopefully, well get it fixed in 10 days." The Marlins have one more dual meet, Tuesday at Pontiae Notre Dame Prep, before the league meet Saturday, Oct. 19, at Stoney Creck Metropark. Farmington Harrison won an Oakland Activities Association Division III grits quad meet Tuesday at Clawson City Park. It was scored as a triple dual with Harrison defeating Royal Oak Kimball, 26-29; Clawson, 25-31; and Madison Heights Lamphere, 26-29. We had a chance to be one of the better teams in the quad

of the better teams in the quad meet, and we were hoping to do that," Harrison coach Mark

http://inition.coach/Mark Babcock seld. The Hawks have a 5-2 record in the division. The overall individual winner was Kimball's And i Redmond with a 20:19 time. She was fol-bowed closely by Harrison's Shanon Bailey, who was see-ond (20:24). Trina Maslennikova was sixth (21:25), Jana Homutetski 12th (23:37), Amber Brown 14th (24:20) and Jamila Fair 20th (26:55).

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starting quarterback Pete Shaw (broken collarbone) and start-ing center Sean Duba (broken tibia). C'VILLE FOOTBALL

On Saturday, Clarenceville spent the rest of the game in the parking lot behind the south end zone. "We've had a few breakdowns this year, but in first half we were pretty

good." What drew Hudkins' ire was an unsportsmanlike penalty that he believed was overlooked by the officials.

an unsportaintaine period y that he believed was overlooked by the officials. A 16-yard gain by Jeff Floretti, who finished with a game-high 128 yards in 24 car-ries, resulted in a hard collision with a Lubream Wextland play-er standing on the bench. All I said is, You've got to call that, because our kid (Floretti) was hit five yards out of bounds," Hudkins said. 'I wasn't talking to the officials. I was on the phone to one of my assistant coaches and apparent-

ly i aid something (the official) didn't like. "The last time something like that happened I was a 20-year-old middle school coach, but I deserved that one (sjection)." Lutheran Westland leading ball carrier, senior Joel Wolfram, played despite braised ribs. He finished the day with 47 yards in 13 carries. "We were blown off the ball the first half." Lutheran Westland coach Paul Guse said. "Clarenceville committed a lot of people to stop the run. We didn't block block or pass well enough. They do a good job of taking away the counter (traps). "And I think we thought we were playing the Clarenceville team from last year (which reached the Division 5 state finals). Then we realized (Tim). Shaw and (Steve) Meadows (two all-starters from last year) weren't here."

Lutheran Westland showed some signs of life offensively on its first possession of the third quarter as quarterback Doug Haller hit Ryan Walker on a 13-yard pass. It was the Warriors' initial first down of the game and the first time they had crossed the 50.

But on the very next play the Warriors fumbled the ball away

warnors tumbled the ball away at the Trojans' 30 (recovered by Silvernail). They also got stalled at the Clarenceville 10 on their subsequent possession when at the Clarenceville 10 on their subsequent possession when Silvernal broke up a fourth-down pass in the end zone. Clarenceville's defense regrouped in the final quarter under the direction of first-year coordinator Todd Pennycuff, limiting the Warriors to 7 net yards. "Obviously, it mattered when orach Hudkins went out," Pennycuff said. "It created more obstacles and the kids

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sion, but we called a timbout. The momentum had changed at that point, but we were fortunate to refocus. I thought our kids responded really well and were able to make some key stops. Clarence:ville finished with total of 273 yards, including 209 on the ground in 52 attempts, But the Trojans turned the ball over three times and made some untimely penalities. "We lost field position because of those penalities," Huddins said. We just have to keep working to get things cor-rected. I, know our coaches and kids wort give up.

kids won't give up. "The good thing is that we're still winning."

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