LOCAL SCORES

AMATEUR BASEBALL

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Dundas 000 000 100 — 1 7 3 WP: Nablo. LP: Dudero. 3B: (C) Anderson 2B: (C) Johnson, Riesgraf; (D)

Dundas 101 000 000 — 2 7 4

13 1 WP: Spitzack. LP: McCaustlin. HR: (D) Bishop (3rd inning, solo).

2B: (C) Arnold 2, Johnson. Sunday, Sept. 1/At Delano Dundas 001 030 001 — 5 10 1 Blaine 000 000 013 — 4 14 0 WP: Mathison. LP: Rustad. 2B: (D) C. Jones; (B) Sutterer. Friday, Aug. 30/At Dassel Dundas 010 000 002 — 3 7 0 Miesville 101 000 000 — 2 6 2 WP: Albers. LP: Olean.

2, Sweeney. PREP CROSS COUNTRY Friday, Aug. 30/At Rosemount **BOYS**

Team scores

1. White Bear Lake 74, 2. Eden Prairie 105, 3. Minnetonka 119, 4. Eagan 149, 5. Prior Lake 156, 6. St. Paul Highland Park 173, 7. Rosemount 212, 8. Farmington 241, 9. 381, 15. Apple Valley 399, 16. Henry TDs, 0 INTs). Sibley 423, 17. St. Thomas Academy Park 550, 20. Austin 571, 21. Rogers 574, 22. Northfield 575, 23. Osceola Kennedy 765, 29. Richfield 908.

Top 8 individuals, plus Northfield results

1. Paleen (St. Paul Highland Simmons (2 rushes, 9 yards). Park) 9:40, 2. Mokoro (Osseo) 9:47, (Northfield) 12:00, 165. Swenson Cummings (1 reception, -1 yards). (Northfield) 12:04, 175. Lockner

(Northfield 12:11. **GIRLS**

Team scores

56, 3. Eden Prairie 114, 4. St. Paul

Chanhassen 101 011 400 - 8 Farmington 162, 8. Shakopee 282, cello 336, 13. Lake City 389, 14. Osseo 404, 15. Robbinsdale Armstrong 406, 16. Northfield 420, 17. Mahtomedi 469, 18. St. Paul Central 475, Monday, Sept. 2/At Maple Lake 19. Burnsville 576, 20. Henry Sibley 582, 21. Bloomington Kennedy 604, Chanhassen 020 610 000 - 9 22. Apple Valley 616, 23. Richfield 656, 24. Tartan 689.

Top 8 individuals, plus Northfield results

1. Weaver (Stillwater) 11:14, 2. time of publication) Fenske (Farmington) 11:23, 3. Moening (St. Paul Highland Park) 11:42, 4. Peterman (Stillwater) 11:43, 5. Verkerke (White Bear Lake) 11:43, 6. Elfert (Stillwater) 11:45, 7. Leblanc (Minnetonka) 11:54, 8. Graham Aug. (Minnetonka) 11:54, 66. Schroeer (Northfield) 13:05, 71. Theberath (Northfield) 13:08, 83. Loe (Northfield) 13:17, 106. Lippert (North-2B: (D) Wadzinski; (M) Marks field) 13:37, 127. Fleming (Northfield) 13:58, 134. Price (Northfield) 14:04, 142. Bussman (Northfield) 14:14, 168. Graham (Northfield) 14:51. 193. Messner (Northfield)

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Aug. 30/At Rochester Northfield 6 0 0 9 — 15 Rochester Mayo 7 13 20 8 — 48

Nova Classical Academy 249, 10. yards, 0 TDs, 2 INTs), Stanchina (1-St. Paul Central 249, 11. Roseville 2, 27 yards, 0 TDs, 0 INTs); (RM) block, O'Neill, Palmquist, Zhang) 312, 12. Robbinsdale Armstrong Sheehan (11-16, 231 yards, 3 TDs, 1:59.34, 3. Northfield (Varley, Pe-331, 13. Lake City 377, 14. Osseo 0 INTs), Ellsworth (1-1, 20 yards, 0

Rushing: (N) Dickerson (11 487, 18. Shakopee 506, 19. St. Louis rushes, 62 yards), Rataj (11 rushes, 4 yards), Woodley (5 rushes, 21 yards), Glampe (4 rushes, 11 yards, 1 TD), 605, 24. Mahtomedi 639, 25. Cretin- Mellgren (3 rushes, 6 yards, 1 TD), Derham Hall 665, 26. Tartan 678, 27. Johnson (3 rushes, 18 yards), Dre-South St. Paul 753, 28. Bloomington sow (1 rush, 4 yards); (RM) Cummings (11 rushes, 128 yards, 1 TD), Gazca (6 rushes, 95 yards, 1 TD), Sheehan (5 rushes, 20 yards, 1 TD),

Receiving: (N) Monaghan (3 Smit (Prior Lake) 9:47, 5. Nelson (2 receptions 14 yards), Woodley (White Bear Lake) 9:57, 6. Lauerman (2 receptions 19 yards), Voight (2 (Minnetonka) 9:57, 7. Maruyama receptions, 35 yards), Glampe (1 (White Bear Lake) 9:58, 8. Mo-reception, 7 yards), Dickerson (1 hamud (Eden Prairie) 10:02, 73. reception, 2 yards), Touchette (1 re-Brice (Northfield) 11:01, 98. Reiset-ception, 0 yards), Lanthier (1 recepter (Northfield) 11:17, 135. Tidona tion, 27 yards); (RM) Holcomb (5 (Northfield) 11:46, 146. Frago receptions, 127 yards, 1 TD), Loeh-(Northfield) 11:51, 160. Beaumaster rer (5 receptions, 102 yards, 2 TDs), (Northfield) 12:00, 161. Lefkowitz Messmer (1 reception, 20 yards),

Thursday, Aug. 31/At Randolph LP/HT 0 0 0 8 — 8 Randolph 0 6 14 6 — 26 **Passing**: (R) Drinken (16-27, 194 1. Stillwater 53, 2. Minnetonka yards, 2 TDs, 1 INT).

Rushing: (R) Swanson (16 car- 3. Varley (N) 1:09.64.

Highland Park 120, 5. White Bear ries, 111 yards, 1 TD, 1 fumble); Monday, Sept. 2/At Maple Lake Lake 134, 6. Rosemount 147, 7. Drinken (9 carries, 76 yards; 1 TD).

Receiving: (R) Ehleringer (7 re-9. Osceola 298, 10. St. Louis Park ceptions, 77 yards, 1 TD); Ohmann 1:19.55. 302, 11. Prior Lake 309, 12. Monti- (4 receptions, 42 yards); Stoesz (3 receptions, 35 yards, 1 TD).

Defense: (R) Liotta-Goudy (13 tackles, 1 TFL); Blonigen (13 tackles, 1 TFL, 1 sack); Stoesz (11 tackles); Romanowski (9 tackles, 1 FF, 1 FR); Weidner (4 tackles, 1 INT).

PREP BOYS SOCCER

Thursday, Aug. 29/At Northfield Northfield 6, Winona 1 (addi-field tional stastics were unavailable at

PREP GIRLS SOCCER

Friday, Aug. 30/At Northfield Winona 10 - 1

Northfield 31 - 4Goals: (N) Morris 2, Wesling,

Assists: (N) Wesling, Aug, Stanchina.

Thursday, Aug. 29/At Winona

Northfield 0.1 - 1Winona 0 0 — 0

Goals: (N) Wesling. Assists: (N) Childress. PREP GIRLS SWIM AND DIVE

Thursday, Aug. 29/At Rochester

Northfield 99, Rochester Mayo 85 (one event exhibitioned)

Top 3 finishers

200 medley relay — 1. Rochester 1 Passing: (N) Rataj (12-18, 148 Mayo (Wu, Gustafso, Boorjian, Carlstrom) 1:55.70, 2. Northfield (Steenterson, Enedy, Scheglowski) 1:59.87.

200 freestyle — 1. Walz (RM) 2:02.86, 2. T. Hauck (N) 2:04.69, 3. Mellgren (N) 2:06.84.

200 individual medley — 1. Steenblock (N) 2:19.43, 2. Boorjian (RM) 2:20.06, 3. Zhang (N) 2:20.62.

50 freestyle — 1. Palmquist (N) 26.29, 2. Varley (N) 26.42, 3. Scheglowski (N) 26.55.

1-meter diving — 1. Hanifl (N) 199.35, 2. Kelm (N) 193.50, 3. Ohashi-Berg (RM) 162. 100 butterfly — 1. Boorjian (RM)

3. Kiros (St. Paul Central) 9:51, 4. receptions, 69 yards), Mellgren 1:02.35, 2. Zhang (N) 1:02.70, 3. Peterson (N) 1:05.02. 100 freestyle — 1. S. Hauck (N)

> Johnson (RM) 58.23. 500 freestyle — 1. Walz (RM) Timperley 2 5:25.76, 2. Steenblock (N) 5:36.00,

3. T. Hauck (N) 5:32.10. 200 freestyle relay — 1. Northfield (Scheglowski, Varley, T. Hauck, S. Hauck) 1:44.35, 2. Rochester Mayo (Gustafson, Yao, Crockett, Carlstrom) 1:50.35, 3. Northfield (Myint, Pelletier, Flory, Mellgren)

100 backstroke — 1. Wu (RM) 1:04.94, 2. Erickson (RM) 1:09.40, Taylor 2.

100 breaststroke — 1. Gustafson (RM) 1:12.34, 2. Walters-Smith (RM) 1:18.32, 3. Narveson (N)

400 freestyle relay — 1. Northfield (T. Hauck, S. Hauck, Zhang, Palmquist) 3:47.19, 2. Rochester Mayo (Pirko, Boorjian, Gwaltney, Johnson) 3:54.31, 3. Northfield (Steenblock, Peterson, Narveson, Mellgren) 4:01.23.

PREP GIRLS TENNIS Wednesday, Aug. 28/At North-

Northfield 5, Tri-City United 2 No. 1 — Brust (N) def. Plut 6-0,

No. 2 — Ruiz (TCU) def. Pitsavas 6-2, 3-6, 6-4

No. 3 — Grant (N) def. Maroita 6-2, 6-2

No. 4 — Transburg (N) def. 6-3, 6-0

Doubles

No. 1 — Graff and Ash (N) def. Ehlers and Schtey 6-1, 6-1

No. 2 — Mueller and Holmbo (TCU) def. Huang and Ott 3-6, 6-2,

No. 3 — Labenski and Deschamp (N) def. Rynda and Balcazar 6-0, 6-2 Thursday, Aug. 29/At Rochester

Rochester Century 6, Northfield

PREP VOLLEYBALL Thursday, Aug. 29/At Prior Lake

Northfield 3, Prior Lake 0 25-16, 25-14, 25-4 Kills: (N) Reilly 12, Wieber 10 Assists: (N) King 24

Digs: (N)Torstenson 13, Wieber 9, Timperley 7

Blocks: (N) Koenig 4, Reilly 2, Wieber 2

Aces: (N) Timperley 6, Torstenson 3, Wieber 2

Thursday, Aug. 29/At Houston Randolph 3, Houston 1 21-25, 25-4, 25-12, 25-23 Tuesday, Aug. 27/At Northfield

Northfield 3, New Prague 2 17-25, 25-19, 25-23, 23-25, 15-7 Kills: (N) Wieber 23, Reilly 19, Koenig 9, Timperley 8

Digs: (N) Torstenson 28, Timper-56.80, 2. Palmquist (N) 57.22, 3. ley 19, Wieber 19, Jaynes 11 Blocks: (N) Koenig 5, King 4,

Assists: (N) King 52 Aces: (N) Torstenson 3, Wieber 2 Tuesday, Aug. 27/At Randolph Spring Grove 3, Randolph 1 18-25, 25-19, 25-21, 25-14 Kills: (R) Erickson 14.

Digs: (R) Taylor 24, Erickson 11. Blocks: (R) Erickson 2. Assists: (R) Otte 21. Aces: (R) Dibble 2, Erickson 2,

LOCAL SPORTS SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4

College sports

Carleton volleyball at Bethany Lutheran, 7 p.m.

Northfield girls tennis at Owatonna, 4 p.m. THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

College sports UW-Stout women's soccer at St. Olaf, 4 p.m.

Prep sports Mankato West girls tennis at Northfield, 4:30 p.m.

Northfield girls swimming and diving at Mankato West, 6 p.m. Northfield girls soccer at Red Wing, 7 p.m.

Red Wing boys soccer at Northfield, 7 p.m. Schaeffer Academy volleyball at Randolph,

7:15 p.m. FRIDAY, SEPT. 6

College sports

Carleton men's soccer at North Central (Ill.), 6 p.m. Carleton volleyball at Grinnell (Iowa), 6 p.m. Bethany Lutheran volleyball at St. Olaf, 7 p.m. Carleton volleyball vs. Luther, 6 p.m., at Grinnel (Iowa), 8 p.m.

Prep sports

Northfield boys and girls cross country at Faribault Invite, 3:30 p.m.

Northfield volleyball at Marshall Invite Hayfield football at Randolp, 7 p.m. Owatonna football at Northfield, 7 p.m. SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

College sports

Carleon, St. Olaf women's golf at Wartburg Fall Invitational, 9 a.m.

Carleton women's cross country at Ken Weidt Classic, 11 a.m., Mequon, Wis. Knox College volleyball at St. Olaf, noon

Carleton volleyball vs. Cornell, noon, Grinnell Crown College football at St. Olaf, 1 p.m. Macalester football at Carleton, 1 p.m.

Bethany Lutheran men's soccer at St. Olaf, 1 p.m. UW-River Falls volleyball at St. Olaf, 2 p.m. Carleton men's golf at St. Thomas Invitational, 2 p.m.

Prep sports

Nortfield girls swim and dive at Minnetonka Invite,

Northfield girls soccer at St. Paul Academy, 1 p.m. Northfield volleyball at Marshall Invite SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

College sports

Carleton, St. Olaf women's golf at Wartburg Fall invite, 8:30 a.m.

St. Olaf women's soccer at UW-Stevens Point, Grinnell men's soccer at Carleton, 1:30 p.m.

Carleton men's golf at St. Thomas Invitational,

Grinnell women's soccer at Carleton, 4 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPT. 9 Prep sports

Northfield girls tennis at Lakeville North, 4 p.m. TUESDAY, SEPT. 10

Prep sports

Northfield girls tennis at Austin, 4:30 p.m. Rochester John Marshall girls soccer at Northfield,

Northfield boys soccer at Rochester John Marshall,

Northfield volleyball at Owatonna, 7 p.m. Glenville-Emmons volleyball at Randolph,

BOB'S WRAP

Raiders look to improve against Huskies

By BOB SULLIVAN

Guest Columnist

Christmas came early for the Rochester Mayo Spartans on

Friday night in a 48-15 win over the Northfield Raiders in Rochester. The Raiders gift-wrapped four of Mayo's seven touchdowns with a combination of a costly turnover, missed tackles and penalties. In a typical first game, mistakes on both side of the ball by each team led to several big plays, most of which were by Mayo. The old coaching adage: "The biggest improvement of a football team will come between the



Bob Sullivan

first game and the second" should hold true again this season. The Raiders will need a short memory as they prepare for this Friday's game against league favorite Owatonna, a 44-7 victor over Rochester Century. The Raider rebound will hinge on fewer penalties, particularly on offense, and improved tackling on defense.

AN IMPROBABLE STAT: Ball control: Northfield had 62 snaps to 47 for Mayo.

INSIDE THE NUMBERS: 522-311: total offense for Mayo and the Raiders; Two TDs by the Raiders' Joey Glampe and Blake Mellgren; 11-18-131: passing numbers for Raider quarterback Gavin Rataj; 10-51: Rushing yards for Simon Dickerson; 88 allpurpose yards for Drew Woodley; 3-65 yards receiving for Daniel Monaghan; 3: tackles each by Woodley, Cole Stanchina and Christoph Tisdale.

PLAYERS OF THE GAME: Players: Monaghan and Glampe; Heads up tackle or block: Stanchina; Special teams: Charlie Pratt and Mason Pagel; Scout: Ayanti Unah; JV offense: Nick Mikula; JV defense: Sam Miller; JV scout: Jake Messner. SEC: First-game winners included preseason favorites Owa-

tonna, Mankato West in the blue division and Winona in the red. Austin, Mankato East, Mayo and New Prague also posted victories. **OWATONNA**: Friday night at Memorial Field, the Raiders will take on the formidable Owatonna Huskies. Last year's state champs are led by a tough offensive line and two-way players

Ethan Rohman. Friday night at home, 7 p.m. vs. Owatonna — the Raiders have always played competitively against the Huskies. Be there...

Zach Stransky, Isaac Oppegard, Carson DeKam, Isaac Gefre and

Rockets blast Bulldogs in season-opening 26-8 victory

By MICHAEL HUGHES

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Not by anything involving his first varsity start at quarterback for the Randolph football team. No, he aced that test by completing 16 of 27 passes for 194 yards and two touchdowns, in

What had Drinken confounded was how, even after after a dominant, 26-8 season-opening victory Thursday night at home against Lester Prairie/Holy Trinity — a 2018 state tournament participant — Drinken couldn't show

of teammates attempting to mug the camera in a postgame photo. "What do you mean I

afterwards, Drinken and the Rockets produced a number of moments that forced smiles. After a first half in which both teams struggled to either consistently move the ball, Randolph started a drive at its own 20-yard line with 1 minute, 32 seconds remaining in the half.

On the first play of the drive, the Bulldogs busted Drinken's pocket, so he broke off to his next play, he did the same, except on this occasion he scampered for 24 yards.

nior Dane Ehleringer, junior Kaven Blonigen and junior Dominick Ohmann, and then an incompletion, Drinken took off again, this time toward the right sideline.

the sideline. Even if the sideline referee determined Drinken's toe touched the boundary during the maneuver, and it was all moot, the acrobatic juke amplified Randolph's energy. "The guys feed off that, any time someone's

you go hard those four to six seconds and make

Two plays later, Drinken fired a 9-yard touchdown pass to Dane Ehleringer to provide the Rockets with a 6-0 lead at halftime. On the first drive of the second half, Randolph marched down the field in eight plays before Drinken laced a pass to senior Isaac Stoesz, who quickly turned the corner and raced into the

endzone for a 21-yard touchdown reception. After forcing a three-and-our for LP/HT, Drinken led another eight-play touchdown drive, this time using his legs to run it in from

11 yards out. "I've never been a runner," Drinken said. "I 'We just won a game," Drinken told a couple don't consider myself a really tough dude, so it's pretty much pass plays and a few run plays in there where we can just give it off."

"He's been pretty dedicated in the weight Whether or not it was acceptable to cheese room the last year and a half or so," Schmidt added, "and it's not only the speed development but the confidence running it. He's not afraid of contact, not afraid to go make a play. The weight room's been big for Nick."

What allowed the Rockets to surge ahead was the defense repelling the Bulldogs away from the end zone in the first half.

On three instances in the opening 24 minleft and out of bounds for an 11-yard gain. The utes, LP/PT possessed the ball past the 50-yard line. The first time, senior AJ Weidner hauled in an interception inside the 10-yard line. The second occasion, senior Trey Liotta-Goudy hauled down Bulldog quarterback Zach Jackson behind the line of scrimmage to force a punt. Lastly, the Rockets swarmed LP/HT running back Tanner Scheevel to force a turnover on downs.

It was that final stand that gave the Rockets to blow past before continuing to tiptoe down possession before their first touchdown drive of the night.

'It was a perfect example of bend and not break," Schmidt said. "In the past, sometimes they'd drive the ball on us and we'd kind of let up and give up that score. They dug their heels in and it didn't matter they were driving the ball. We knew that if we keep doing your job, keep doing what you're coached to do, then



Randolph senior quarterback Nick Drinken takes off with the ball during Thursday night's 26-8 victory against Lester Prairie/ Holy Trinity at Randolph High School. Drinken rushed for a touchdown and passed for two more in addition to compiling 270 total yards of offense. (Michael Hughes/Northfield News)

good things are going to happen."

That belief permeates throughout the Randolph team. After reaching the program's first section final in recent memory last year, the Rockets are shifting to an 11-man schedule this season.

That started with the Bulldogs, last year's Section 4A champion. Randolph is drawn into Section 1A this season along with traditional powers Blooming Prairie, ranked No. 4 in Class A, and Goodhue, No. 7 in Class A, but if Thursday's resounding win is any indication, the Rockets don't figure to be intimidated.

"We knew a lot of people that were going to watch us tonight didn't think we were going to get a win, especially playing 11-man instead of nine," Drinken said. "We really came into this game wanting to prove to our fans and everyone else that we're a good team. We may have played 9-man last year, but it doesn't matter anymore. We still play the same game. Going on from here, it's going to be a lot more confidence that we can hang with teams."

Nick Drinken was confused.

addition to rushing for another score.

his enthusiasm.

can't smile?"

After three consecutive completions to se-

He reached the 9-yard line, where he stopped abruptly to allow the Bulldog defender

going that extra effort," Randolph coach Mike Schmidt said. "We always preach four to six seconds. Every play is four to six seconds, and

a play like that, guys just feed off that."