

# SPORTS

KOMETES SPOIL

# TIGERS HOMECOMING



Albert Lea junior quarterback Dakota Jahnke scrambles looking for an open receiver Friday night in the Tigers' homecoming game against Kasson-Mantorville. View more photos on page A11 and at [albertleatribune.com](http://albertleatribune.com). KELLY HENDRICKSON/FOR THE ALBERT LEA TRIBUNE

## Albert Lea swimming notches homecoming win over Falcons

By Tyler Julson  
tyler.julson@albertleatribune.com

The Albert Lea girls' swim and dive team hosted Faribault Thursday night in its only meet during homecoming week.

The Tigers recorded seven wins in 12 varsity events with numerous other second-place finishes to down the Falcons 97-86.



The meet started with the 200-yard medley relay in which the team of senior Brooke Hanson, sophomore Hatty Adams, and freshmen Hailey Deming and Julie Doppelhammer came in first place with a time of 2:17.26. They beat the second-place team by more than seven seconds. Albert Lea's second team of senior Taylor Palmer, and sophomores Hannah Barclay, Erin Boorsma and Alex Funk came in fourth place with a time of 2:34.33. A third team also swam in the event, as Kendall Monson, Maria-Ruiz Ceronio, Claire Stockwell and Kayden Kirton came in fifth with a time of 2:58.98.

The Tigers fielded three swimmers in the 200-yard individual medley, an event they have left open on multiple occasions this season. Sophomore Emery Brouwers won the event with a time of 2:38.37. Adams came in third with a time of 2:55.14, and Doppelhammer came in fifth with a time of 3:04.20.

Deming, Hanson and Boorsma swam in the 50-yard freestyle. Deming came in second with a season-best time of 28.31, followed by Hanson in fourth and Boorsma in fifth.

Senior Jenna Steffl was runner-up in the one-meter diving event with a score of 172.70. Brynna Eggum came in fifth with a score of 121.20.

Adams then put the Tigers back in the winners column with a victory in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:18.42.

Brouwers then picked up her second first-place finish of the night, winning the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 59.20. Rognes came in second with a time of 1:07.55, and Barclay came in fifth with a time of 1:16.49.

Doppelhammer shaved nearly 10 seconds off her previous best time in the 500-yard freestyle, finishing second with a time of 6:27.70. Palmer came in third and Funk came in sixth.

The Tigers won the second relay event of the night when the team of Jeffrey, Hanson, Rognes and Brouwers finished first in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:53.38, the fastest time for Albert Lea this season. The team of Adams, Barclay, Ruiz Ceronio and McKenzie Fields came in third with a time of 2:13.63.

Deming, Palmer and Boorsma then swam in the 100-yard backstroke with all three finishing in the top five. Deming came in second with a time of 1:14.18, Palmer came in third with a time of 1:17.64, and Boorsma came in fifth with a time of 1:22.49. For Palmer and Boorsma, it was their best time in the event this season.

Jeffrey picked up her second of three first-place finishes on the night in the 100-yard breaststroke, finishing with a time of 1:23.82. Hanson came in third with a time of 1:28.83, and Fields came in fifth with a time of 1:42.21.

Finally, in the last event of the meet, the Tigers won their third and final relay event with the team of Brouwers, Rognes, Deming and Jeffrey winning the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 4:10.12. It marked the fastest time in the event this season for the Tigers. The Tigers second team of Doppelhammer, Funk, Boorsma and Palmer came in fourth with a time of 4:34.95.

The Tigers are now 2-3 as a team on the season and will be back in the pool Thursday when they host Rochester John Marshall in their second to last home meet of the season. Their final home meet is scheduled to take place Oct. 12 against Mankato West.

## K-M takes advantage of A.L. mistakes, wins 42-14

By Tyler Julson  
tyler.julson@albertleatribune.com

Albert Lea capped off its homecoming week with the tall task of taking on No. 8-ranked Kasson-Mantorville Friday night in a Section 1AAAA matchup.

Despite winning the turnover battle in the second half, the Tigers' early offensive struggles were too much to overcome, as they fell to the KoMets 42-14.

The Tigers came out to a rocky start in their first possessions of the quarter. In five possessions in the quarter, the Tigers were forced into a three-and-out punt three times, lost a fumble and threw an interception. The Komets capitalized on all of those Tiger miscues and scored with five touchdowns to take a 35-0 lead less than three minutes into the second quarter.

After another fumble on the ensuing kickoff, the Tigers once again found themselves in a precarious

position, giving up a KoMet touchdown a few plays later.

Albert Lea picked up their first first down of the game on the next drive using nice runs from both junior Derrick McMillian and senior Cole Janssen. After two first downs on the drive, the momentum stalled out with two sacks and another tackle in the backfield.

Kasson-Mantorville ran the clock to halftime on its next possession, taking a 42-0 lead to the locker rooms.

The Tigers caught some steam in the opening possession of the second half, recovering a fumble near midfield. A steady dose of McMillian and Janssen led the Tigers inside the five-yard line before senior Mason Drescher pounded the rock in to give the Tigers their first score of the game.

Down 42-7, the Tigers forced another fumble on the next KoMet possession, taking over near the red zone.

Two plays later Janssen rushed in

from 15 yards out to close the gap to 42-14 with just under five minutes remaining in the third quarter.

Albert Lea forced and recovered yet another fumble on the next drive, but this time the magic had run out and the Tigers turned the ball over on downs at the KoMets 33-yard line.

Both teams would get another two possessions through the rest of the game, but none resulted in any significant gains.

Junior Dakota Jahnke finished the game 3-for-12 passing with 23 yards and two interceptions. McMillian was the leading rusher with 107 yards on 21 carries. Janssen had 39 yards and one touchdown on 10 carries. Junior Max Edwin had one catch for 19 yards. Defensively, the Tigers were led by junior Brycin Kirsch with 5.5 tackles, including 1.5 for loss. Edwin had one sack.

The Tigers fall to 0-4 this season and will play again Friday when they travel to Winona to take on the 2-2 Winhawks.



Junior Luke Moller dives to make a tackle against Kasson-Mantorville Friday night at home. The Tigers lost the game 42-14.



Junior running back Brycin Kirsch puts a juke step move on a Kasson-Mantorville defender in the homecoming game Friday night.

## A.L. boys' soccer falls to Northfield



Albert Lea junior Tim Chalmers eyes the ball Thursday night at home. The Tigers lost to Northfield 8-1 with the one goal coming from Chalmers on a penalty kick. KELLY HENDRICKSON/FOR THE ALBERT LEA TRIBUNE



Senior Jared Turrubiarres keeps the ball in front of him Thursday night against Northfield.