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Boyne City The Rambler junior running back helped lead a strong surge against Elk Rapids in Boyne's playoff victory over the Elks. Smith rushed for 90 yards and

four touchdowns.

Malik Smith,





Amber Way, Charlevoix Kayla Keane, East Jordan

The two rival seniors ran their final high school cross country race at Michigan International Speedway on November 1. Both earned All-State honors as Way finished second in a time of 17:51.5 and Keane was seventh in 18:56.

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Playoff Football - Movin' on!

Ramblers advance to district final with win over Elks

By Chris Fiel

Boyne City 35, Elk Rapids 14

BOYNE CITY — Not the start they were looking for, but for Rambler football fans, the finish was definitely worth the wait.

Boyne City recovered from a slow start and a 14-0 deficit with just about seven minutes remaining in the second quarter to reel off 35 unanswered points, including 14 in the final three minutes of the half in defeating upset minded Elk Rapids 35-14 in a Division IV pre-district playoff matchup at Earl Brotherston Field on October 31 and improve to 10-0 on the season..

The Elks got things going early in the second quarter as Logan Sentieri found some room to run and took advantage of it on a 37-yard run with 11:06 to go in the second quarter and following a blocked extra point attempt by Mac Alexander, Elk Rapids led

Elk Rapids would then recover the ensuing kickoff near the Boyne City 25 yard line and a few plays later Sentieri would punch it in from 1-yard out with 6:59 remaining in the half.

The next Boyne City possession would result in another turnover as quarteback Max Cuper tossed his second pick of the night at the Elk Rapids 20, keeping the momentum in the Elks favor.

So just when things were looking bad for the Ramblers, that's when the team pulled together and started to click. On the Elks first play following the interception, Boyne junior middle



(PHOTO BY CINDA SHUMAKER)

Boyne City's Mac Alexander (5) leaps over the Elk Rapids line on the Elks first extra point attempt. Alexander would block the kick on the play.

linebacker Luke Sage Ramblers favor by picking off a pass and returning it near the Elks 10 yard line.

Boyne's Malik Smith would run the ball to inside the 1-yard line and on the next play punch it in for the first Rambler score of the contest with 2:45 to play in the half and following a successful Dalton Gardner kick, pull Boyne to within 14-7.

The Ramblers would then force the Elks to punt on a three and out, taking over with just about two minutes remaining.

Boyne would then give the Elks a mix of two running styles, the power running of Smith and the fleet Hills said. "It wasn't a footed quickness of Maceo Vroman in marching down the field to within striking distance. Smith would eventually find the end zone on his second 1-yard run with no time left on the clock and after another Gardner extra point, the teams went into the half knotted at 14-14.

"That comes from preparation and experience, throughout the year we've been tested and the kids don't panic in those situations and they trust and believe in what they're doing and they trust the kid next to them and they know it's going to turn out ok,"

Boyne City coach David

about three and a half quarters, that's about as good as we've played in a long time."

Boyne would continue their surge in the second half behind the running of Smith would would find paydirt on a seven yard scamper early in the third, before added his fourth score of the game on a 10 yard run late in the fourth quarter.

Those two scores would sandwich the highlight reel run of Vroman, who delivered another of his zigging and zagging style rushes for a 39-yard electrifying touchdown run.

Offensively for Boyne, Smith led the ground attack with 90 yards on 21 carries and four touchdowns, while Vroman added 73 yards on 13 rushes and a score. Cuper and Alexander added 21 and 11 yards respectfully.

Cuper also finished 4-of-8 passing for 46 yards and two picks.

Tanner Kruzel had two receptions for 17 yards, while Alexander hauled in one pass for 22 yards and Sage gained seven yards on one catch.

Sage led the Rambler defense with 12 stops and an interception; Alexander finished with 11 tackles and a blocked extra point. Cuper had 10 tackles and an interception; and Kruzel added eight stops, including two for a loss.

drive to seal the game.

"I thought we had a real good game plan going into it, the kids understood it and executed it really well. Both sides of the ball," coach Hills added. "I'm real proud of the kids."

Boyne now advances to a rematch of last seasons Division IV district final in which they fell to the Miners 42-19 in Marquette's Superior Dome.

"Our kids are excited for this one, we left Marquette last year with a bad taste in our mouth and I think that's what happened in the offseason (putting in extra work), they weren't



Rambler junior running back Malik Smith turns the corner en route to one of his four touchdown runs against Elk Rapids. (PHOTO BY CINDA SHU-

Gardner also recovered a happy with how that one

enaea.

The Division IV district final contest will be played at Boyne City's Earl Brotherston Field on November 7, game time is 7 p.m.

Final Reg. Season Standings

Big North Conference:

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Cadillac	6-0	9-0
Petoskey	4-2	7-2
Traverse City Centr	al4-2	6-3
Traverse City West	3-3	5-4
Gaylord	2-4	5-4
Alpena	2-4	4-5
Ogemaw Heights	0-6	2-7

Northern Michigan I Boyne City T.C. St. Francis

Elk Rapids

	Grayling	2-4	4-5
	Maple City Glen Lake	2-4	3-5
	Benzie Central	0-6	0-9
or	thern Michigar Suttons Bay Charlevoix	1 4-0 4-1	(8-1) (6-3)
	Frankfort	3-2	(5-3)
	Kalkaska	2-3	(2-7)

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Ski	i Valley Confere	ence	
1.	Saint Ignace		9-0
2.	Johannesburg-Lo	ewiston	8-
3.	Inland Lakes		7-2
4.	Mancelona		6-3
5.	Central Lake		5-4
6.	Onaway		4-
7.	Gaylord St. Mary	,	3-0
8.	Pickford		2-
9.	Forest Area		1-8

10. Pellston

North Star League Little Dipper			
1.	Hillman	4-0	8-1
2.	Au Gres-Sims	3-1	4-5
3.	Mio	2-2	4-5
4.	Atlanta	1-3	1-7
5.	Hale	0-4	0-9



TEAM EFFORT! Boyne City's Max Cuper (12), Luke Sage (2), Lee Rainey (66) and a partially hidden Tanner Kruzel allowed little time to throw or run for Elk Rapids quarterback Adam Trautman (3) in the second half of the Ramblers 35-14 victory. (PHOTO BY CINDA SHUMAKER)

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Rayders season ends with loss to Miners

By Chris Fiel

Negaunee 21, Charlevoix 12

CHARLEVOIX — Sometimes good things come to an end.

That happened to be that case in for the Charlevoix Rayders football team as they fell to a tough Negaunee program 21-12 on October 31 in a Division VI pre-district playoff contest.

The Rayders not only battled the Miners, they battled themselves, committing five turnovers and nearly overcame an injury to starting quarterback/ defensive back Nate Moon.

Charlevoix didn't waste time in letting the Miners know that they weren't just happy to be in the playoffs, that they were there to win. Rayder quarterback Moon took the second play from scrimmage and scampered 53-yards to paydirt and following a missed extra point, Charlevoix led 6-0 early in the contest and hold that margin headed into the second quarter.

"The kids played hard, they put together a well played ballgame," Charlevoix coach Ron Bindi said. "They stepped up and we can't fall our efforts."

Negaunee would take the lead in the second quarter as they scored on a 14 yard run by Ryan Bischof, and following a Rayder miscue, a Bischof would add a 3yard score for a 14-6 Miner lead that they would carry into the halftime break.

Once play resumed in the second half, Rayder backup quarterback Forrest Noirot would help lead the team downfield, scoring on a 1-yard keeper and following a penalty on their first successful



(PHOTO BY SCOTT RICHARDS)

Negaunee's Austin Johnson (24) tries to avoid the Rayder defense as Forrest Noirot (12) closes in.

conversion attempt and a miss on the second attempt, Negaunee would lead 14-12. The Rayder drive was highlighted by a 57 yard run by Noirot.

"We committed too many penalties and turnovers," coach Bindi added. "They ran 51 plays to our 47 and outgained us 262-232, so the miscues made a big difference.'

The Minors would chew up a good chunk of the clock during a long drive to start the fourth quarter and scored the final points of the contest on a 1-yard run by Bischof for a 21-12 lead with just about six minutes remaining in the contest.

Offensively for the Rayders, Noirot finished 3-of-4 passing for 34 yards and an interception, and also added 95 yards rushing on 10 carries and a touchdown.

Moon also carried the ball six

while Austin Putman hauled in two passes for 21 yards.

Defensively, Justin Adkins and Putman recorded 10 tackles each to lead the team.

"The turnovers hurt us," Bindi noted. "We had alot of kids step up, Forrest Noirot, filling in for Moon as well as defensively, late in the contest, we had alot of underclassmen in our secondary."

"We feel those early contests this season against Elk Rapids,



(PHOTO BY SCOTT RICHARDS)

Charlevoix quarterback Nate Moon (9) is hoisted high by linemen teammate Andrew Michaud (71) following his 53-yard touchdown run early in the contest.

Boyne City and Suttons Bay helped prepare us for this time of year," the coach said. "While we may have taken some lumps in a few of those, the kids realized what kind of level we needed to be at to benefit us down the line."

Charlevoix closes out the 2014 football season with a 6-4 record, while Negaunee, 6-4, moves on to face Boyne City on November 7.

VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

East Jordan falls in season finale

EAST JORDAN — The host Red Devils fell in their season finale against Elk Rapids on October 30. The Elks took the match in four games; 19-25, 25-16,

In their final home contest, EJ seniors Kristen Malpass finished with 11 kills, 11 digs and three blocks; Katie Spence added seven digs, six kills, one block and served at 100 percent, including two aces; and Bailey Sweeney served at 100 percent and chipped in with five digs.

Rayders outlast Ramblers

CHARLEVOIX — The Rayders downed the Ramblers 25-11, 25-19, 25-19 in the regular season finale for both schools on October 30.

Abby Gardner finished with seven kills and a block to lead Boyne; while Paige Hornbeck added six kills: Celena Brzezinski had four kills: Ashlyn Kartes added 18 assists, two kills and a block and Carly Kruzel finished with two kills and one block.

"We had a slow start, against their strong and pumped up team," Boyne City coach Evan Chestnutt said."However, we sure picked up our game and played our best two games against them! I was very happy with how our girls kept their heads in the game and kept fighting all the way until the end. We had some great rallies!"

Hornbeck, Kruzel and Madison Reynolds each served at 100 percent.

Co-ed Volleyball League sign up

Charlevoix Recreation Co-Ed Volleyball is right around the corner, so gather up your team. The games will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings beginning on December 2rd. The team manager meeting will be held Tuesday Nov 18th at 6:30pm at Charlevoix City Hall. Please have a representative from your team at the meeting to bring your team name, team roster and fee of \$125.00.

Please visit www.city ofcharlevoix.org for the rules and team entry form. You can also email tomk@cityofcharlevoix.org or call 547-3252 for further information.

times for 61 yards and a score,

CROSS COUNTRY

All-State honors - Charlevoix's Way finishes second, East Jordan's Keane seventh in girls event

BROOKLYN — After all those hard miles over the summer and a fall season that had more rain than in recent memory, the 2014 cross country season has finally come to a close at the Michigan International Speedway on November 1.

In the Division III girls race, Charlevoix senior Amber Way battled a tough field along with a knee injury and managed to put forth a very strong effort in finishing second, just two-tenths of a second behind race winner, Holly Bullough of Traverse

City St. Francis.

Bullough finished in a time of 17:51.3, while Way crossed the finish line in 17:51.5.

East Jordan senior Kayla Keane also earned All-State honors with her seventh place finish in 18 minutes, 56 seconds.

For the boys, Boyne City (the lone area team) finished in 20 place, led by senior Kory Skop's 37th place finish in a time of 16:45. Sophomore Ethan Book took 119th in 17:40; Derek Willis was 155th in 18:07; Garrett Fogo finished in 18:19: Eli Hass - 18:23: Dominic Santina - 18:29 and Trevor Day -19:11.

"The state finals was an awesome experience for our team," Rambler coach Andy Place said. "I am very proud of all of the team's accomplishments this year."

Other top area individual finishers were Gabe Hawley of East Jordan in 17:01 for 51st place, while Charlevoix's Luke Buday was 149th in 18:00.

Fundraiser will benefit Ellsworth softball

By Tina Sundelius

Ellsworth schools new softball coach Andy Montgomery sees talent in the small pool of athletes at Ellsworth Middle and High Schools and is determined to balance the playing field for the students in the class D district starting with the hopeful purchase of a retractable batting cage, new uniforms, and equip-

Because there are rarely the number of players needed to maintain summer leagues, the High School Softball and Baseball programs suffer. "You have to start with the younger kids, they need to be able to continue to practice," said Montgomery. To complicate the lack of continuous practice that other communities can provide the fields remain wet longer in the spring than most. "It is so wet we can't get outside a lot of time in the spring to practice," he said. The batting cages can make practice during the off season with small groups of

players a reality.

Montgomery maintains a belief that winning fosters self confidence. "When you win and do things the right way it gives you a different attitude about life. Playing on a successful team promotes future success and confidence. No matter what you do in life you have to be able to work as a team and this will help," he said.

Organizers are hoping to bring in the \$10,000 needed to cover the cost of the cage and installation. "We are hoping to bring in even

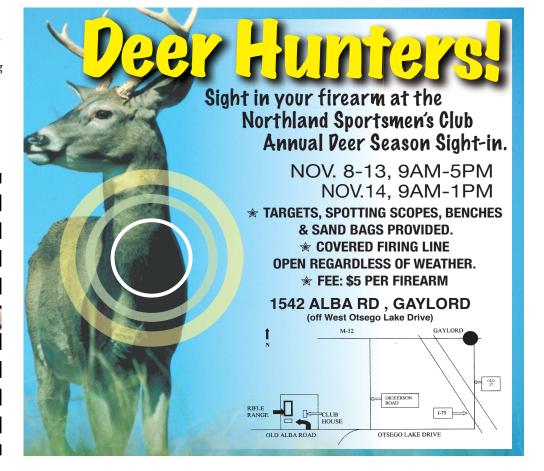
more so we can purchase other equipment that will allow us to work in the gym. The equipment in general is expensive and we have aged uniforms," he said.

Montgomery is confident that the cages will allow the students to catch up with other schools who have had this equipment for years. "With the cage to provide added practice I expect that we will return to winning and have successful teams in Ellsworth for many years to come," he said. Between 1989 and 2005 Ellsworth took 10 Con-

ference Championships, took 5 District Championships between 1997 and 2006 and regional champs in both 2005 and 2006. "We had a very successful program that fell on hard times and now we are trying to regenerate and get it back to where it was," he said.

A spaghetti dinner fundraiser sponsored by the Ellsworth Boosters will be held Friday, November 7 in the Ellsworth Elementary School Cafeteria from 5-7p.m. with a Silent Auction closing at 7p.m.





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East Jordan and Charlevoix volleyball teams advance in district action

By Amanda Monthei

For both the Inland Lakes and East Jordan volleyball teams, the 2014 season has been defined by a lack of execution when execution was critical — namely in the third, fourth and fifth sets.

So when the Red Devils met Inland Lakes on its home turf for the opener of Class D district play on Monday, they might have been a little taken aback by Inland Lakes firstset-assualt, which resulted in a 25-22 Bulldog win.

But finding the very execution and momentum they'd been searching for all year in situations such as this

- which is to say, one set down on someone else's court — the young Red Devils came back with a vengeance in set two, taking Inland Lakes 25-18 before finalizing their firstround district win by set scores of 25-12 and 25-20.

"They've played really hard but mentally haven't always been able to put together five games," East Jordan Anne Crick said of her team, which went 3-13 in the regular season. "Coming in tonight and working really hard for this (win) was a great bonus for them."

Inland Lakes, however, felt the opposite effect on Monday night, which marked the end of the season for a young team that struggled to put it all together this season.

'We've definitely brought

our intensity up and played a lot better (later in the season)," Inland Lakes head coach Krista Vizina said. "We came off of a big win on Tuesday(against Harbor Light) we had a lot of intensity and it was a nice home game.

"Coming off of that win, we came in with intensity today and played that first game really well, but once we got down it was hard getting back up."

Inland Lakes is losing three seniors in Sophie Passino - who contributed a teamhigh nine kills, two blocks and five aces on Monday against East Jordan — as well as McKenzie Milner and Sadie Bunker. However, with five sophomores coming up from JV next season and a handful of notable underclassmen having already experienced varsity play, Vizina said the outlook for next season looks bright.

"Katie Byrne, being only a sophomore, is really coming to her own." Vizina, a first-vear coach for the Bulldogs, said. "And our setter Vanessa Wandrie is playing varsity as a sophomore and setting all the way around. Every game she gets better and makes better decisions."

Byrne is already contributing well for the Lady Bulldogs as a sophomore, as she had five kills and two aces on Monday night. Cloe Mallory, also a sophomore, assisted on both offense and defense with two blocks, four kills and two aces

for Inland Lakes.

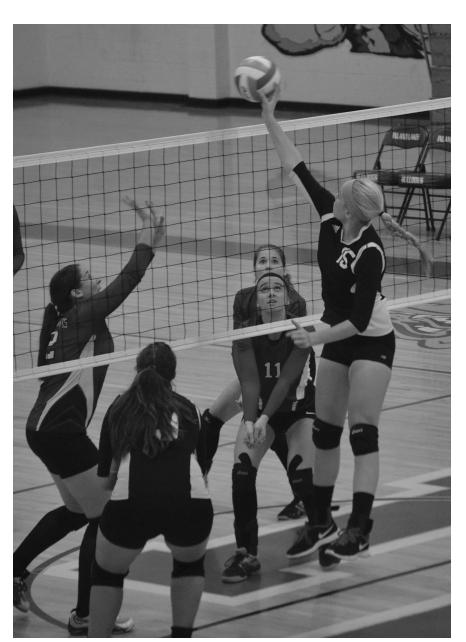
East Jordan was led by junior Jill Atwood, who Crick said had her best game of the season on Monday with 13 digs, five kills and 21 assists. Sophomore Mazzy Pepin and senior Kirsten Malpass each added 11 kills for the Red Devils.

"I knew the girls had more fight than they were showing during regular season and was happy to see them work so hard tonight," Crick said.

East Jordan will lose three seniors in Kirsten Malpass, Bailey Sweeney and Katie Spence, but Crick said she is looking forward to a solid and more experienced - roster for the 2015 season. But before they can think about what next year's going to look like, the Red Devils must get past Harbor Springs on Wednesday night in the second round of districts.

"We've played Harbor twice this year," Crick said. "We've played some really good matches and we've come up short each time — but we know that we're very easily matched and very capable of pulling it off."

The result of the East Jordan and Harbor Springs game, which was on Wednesday night in Indian River, was not available at press time. The winner of that game will advance to Thursday's nights district finals against Charlevoix at Inland



East Jordan's Mazzy Pepin tips one over the net while Inland Lakes' Katie Byrne (right) and Vanessa Wandrie (left) prepare to defend. East Jordan ultimately defeated the Bulldogs 3-1 ((22-25, 25-18, 25-12, 25-20) (PHOTO BY AMANDA MONTHEI)

<u>A FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SCORES AND UPCOMIN</u>

Division 3

Pre-Districts

R = Region, D = District

R1-D1: Petoskey 42, Bay City John Glenn 7

R1-D1: Mt Pleasant 40, Marquette 14 R1-D2: Muskegon 59, Grand Rapids

R1-D2: Cedar Springs 36, Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern 0

R2-D1: Grand Rapids Christian 21, St

R2-D1: Lowell 28, East Grand Rapids 27 R2-D2: Zeeland West 50, Byron Center

0 R2-D2: Stevensville Lakeshore 21, Cold-

water 14

R3-D1: Mason 28, Linden 13 R3-D1: DeWitt 46, Tecumseh 7

R3-D2: Warren Woods-Tower 43, War-

ren Fitzgerald 0 R3-D2: Orchard Lake St Mary's 41, De-

troit Renaissance 0

R4-D1: Dearborn Divine Child 9, Allen Park 7

R4-D1: Redford Thurston 22, Detroit Mumford 18

R4-D2: New Boston Huron 40,

Riverview 21

R4-D2: Trenton 20, Romulus 6

Districts

R = Region, D = District All Game Times Local

R1-D1: Mt Pleasant (7-3) at Petoskey (8-2) - S 1:00

R1-D2: Cedar Springs (9-1) 91.222 at Muskegon (9-1) 98.556 - S 1:00 PM R2-D1: Grand Rapids Christian (6-4) 60.556 at Lowell (9-1) 88.222 - F 7:00 PM R2-D2: Stevensville Lakeshore (8-2) 87.417 at Zeeland West (10-0) 98.667 - F

R3-D1: Mason (7-3) 66.222 at DeWitt (10-0) 110.222 - F 7:00 PM

R3-D2: Orchard Lake St Mary's (8-2) 80.000 at Warren Woods-Tower (8-2) 81.444 - S 1:00 PM

R4-D1: Dearborn Divine Child (7-3) 62.278 at Redford Thurston (7-3) 65.000 -

R4-D2: Trenton (7-3) 67.222 at New Boston Huron (9-1) 83.444 - F 7:00 PM

Division 6

Pre-Districts

R = Region, D = District

R1-D1: Boyne City 35, Elk Rapids 14 R1-D1: Negaunee 21, **Charlevoix 12**

R1-D2: Leroy Pine River 25, Tawas Area

R1-D2: Sanford Meridian Early College 19. Morley-Stanwood 14

R2-D1: Ithaca 55, Bad Axe 0

R2-D1: Millington 46, St Charles 32

R2-D2: Flint Beecher 21, Montrose 13

R2-D2: Madison Heights Madison 20, Warren Michigan Collegiate 6

R3-D1: Ravenna 42, Carson City-Crystal

R3-D1: Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian 49, Fennville 6

R3-D2: Schoolcraft 42, Constantine 28 R3-D2: Watervliet 22, Niles Brandywine

R4-D1: Jackson Lumen Christi 53,

Quincy 16 R4-D1: Hillsdale 42, Hanover-Horton 20 R4-D2: Monroe St Mary Catholic Cen-

tral 62, Grass Lake 8 R4-D2: Clinton 42, Manchester 6

Districts

R = Region, D = District All Game Times Local R1-D1: Negaunee (6-4) 44.986 at

Boyne City (10-0) 83.000 - F 7:00 PM

R1-D2: Leroy Pine River (7-3) 45.587 at Sanford Meridian Early College (8-2) 59.222 - F 7:00 PM

R2-D1: Millington (9-1) 84.206 at Ithaca (10-0) 88.889 - F 7:00 PM

R2-D2: Madison Heights Madison (8-2) 79.667 at Flint Beecher (10-0) 84.444 - F 7:00 PM

R3-D1: Ravenna (8-2) 65.667 at Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian (9-1) 79.000 - F 7:00 PM at Comstock Park HS

R3-D2: Schoolcraft (7-3) 64.111 at Watervliet (9-1) 70.889 - F 7:00 PM

R4-D1: Hillsdale (8-2) 66.556 at Jackson Lumen Christi (10-0) 94.222 - F 7:00 PM at Withington Stadium

R4-D2: Clinton (10-0) 81.778 at Monroe St Mary Catholic Central (9-1) 91.556 - F 7:00 PM at Navarre Field

Division 7

Pre-Districts

R = Region, D = District

R1-D1: Ishpeming 34, Ishpeming Westwood 0

R1-D1: Iron River West Iron County 40, Iron Mountain 0

R1-D2: Suttons Bay 51, Mancelona 14 R1-D2: Traverse City St Francis 35, Onekama 7

R2-D1: Whittemore-Prescott 40, Blanchard Montabella 14

R2-D1: Saginaw Michigan Lutheran Seminary 27, Manton 14

R2-D2: Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker 18, Sandusky 0

R2-D2: Cass City 14, Marlette 8

R3-D1: Bridgman 33, Gobles 8

R3-D1: Cassopolis 29, Decatur 28 (10T)

R3-D2: Hudson 36, Homer 14 R3-D2: Pewamo-Westphalia 39, Union

City 7 R4-D1: New Lothrop 55, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest 0

R4-D1: Dansville 51, Burton Atherton

R4-D2: Detroit Loyola 47, Riverview Gabriel Richard 0

R4-D2: Royal Oak Shrine Catholic 42, Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett

Districts

R = Region, D = District All Game Times Local

R1-D1: Iron River West Iron County (9-

1) 78.889 at Ishpeming (9-0) 80.000 - F R1-D2: Traverse City St

Francis (8-2) at Suttons Bay (9-1) - F 7:00 PM R2-D1: Saginaw Michigan Lutheran

Seminary (9-1) 75.556 at Whittemore-Prescott (10-0) 81.778 - F 7:00 PM R2-D2: Cass City (7-3) 46.778 at Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Laker (10-0) 76.444 - F

R3-D1: Cassopolis (7-3) 45.778 at Bridgman (7-2) 52.778 - F 7:00 PM R3-D2: Pewamo-Westphalia (8-2) 61.111 at Hudson (9-1) 75.444 - S 1:00

R4-D1: Dansville (8-2) 58.444 at New Lothrop (10-0) 85.333 - F 7:00 PM R4-D2: Royal Oak Shrine Catholic (8-2) 67.667 at Detroit Loyola (10-0) 99.000 - F 7:00 PM at Detroit Mumford HS

Division 8 **Pre-Districts**

R = Region, D = District R1-D1: Crystal Falls Forest Park 42, Bessemer 22

R1-D1: Bark River-Harris 14, Lake Linden-Hubbell 6

R1-D2: St Ignace 35, Newberry 0 R1-D2: Munising 54, Indian River Inland Lakes 0

R2-D1: Baldwin 50, Brethren 19 R2-D1: Central Lake 18,

Frankfort 6 R2-D2: Beal City 55, Coleman 13 R2-D2: Johannesburg-Lewiston 35, Hill-

R3-D1: Fowler 34, Mt Pleasant Sacred

Heart 14 R3-D1: Muskegon Catholic Central 56,

Fulton 8 R3-D2: Mendon 49. Colon 8 R3-D2: Climax-Scotts 22, Pittsford 8

R4-D1: Harbor Beach 61, Sterling Heights Parkway Christian 0

R4-D1: Waterford Our Lady 35, Clarkston Everest Collegiate 0

R4-D2: Morenci 25, Petersburg-Summerfield 0

R4-D2: Ottawa Lake Whiteford 62, Lutheran Westland 6

Districts

R = Region, D = District All Game Times Local

R1-D1: Bark River-Harris (8-2) 51.306 at Crystal Falls Forest Park (8-1) 59.667 - F 6:00 PM

R1-D2: Munising (9-1) 58.333 at St Ignace (10-0) 71.111 - S 1:00 PM

R2-D1: Central Lake (6-4) at Baldwin (9-1) - S 2:00 R2-D2: Johannesburg-Lewiston (9-1)

59.556 at Beal City (8-2) 68.431 - F 7:00 R3-D1: Fowler (10-0) 80.000 at Muskegon Catholic Central (10-0) 99.556

- F 7:00 PM R3-D2: Climax-Scotts (9-1) 51.778 at Mendon (9-1) 75.889 - S 1:00 PM R4-D1: Waterford Our Lady (9-1)

78.111 at Harbor Beach (10-0) 80.000 - S R4-D2: Ottawa Lake Whiteford (7-3) 47.444 at Morenci (9-1) 72.889 - F 7:00

Rankings for NCAA Football Playoffs, week 2

Rank - Team - Record 1......Mississippi State8-0 2.....Florida State8-0 3.....Auburn7-1 4.....Oregon......8-1 5......Alabama......7-1 8.....Michigan State.....7-1

8......Notre Dame.......7-1......1096

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10Notre Dame	7-1
11Ole Miss	7-2
12Baylor	7-1
13Nebraska	
14Ohio State	7-1
15Oklahoma	6-2
16I SU	7-2

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Rank - Team - Record	
17Utah	6-2
18UCLA	7-2
19Arizona	6-2
20Georgia	6-2
21Clemson	6-2
22Duke	7-1
23West Virginia	6-3
24Georgia Tech	7-2

25Wisconsin	6-2
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NCAA Football Associated Press Top 25 TEAM(1st Place votes)......RECORD....PTS

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9Kansas State	7-1	1049
10Baylor	7-1	96 ⁻
11Arizona State	7-1	83
12Ole Miss	7-2	828
13Ohio State		
14LSU		
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17Georgia	6-2	465
18UCLĂ	7-2	464
19Clemson	6-2	341
20Utah	6-2	327
21Arizona	6-2	325
22Duke	7-1	288
23Marshall	8-0	238
24West Virginia	6-3	159

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Automotive Review



The refined ride quality and quiet cabin in the 2015 Buick Verano start closer to the ground than extensive insulation and a well-tuned chassis. Down where the rubber meets the road, engineers tuned and refined the Verano's tires for reduced noise and a comfortable ride. PHOTO "© GENERAL MOTORS."

Buick Verano's Refined Ride Starts Where the Rubber Meets the Road

Careful tuning of tire design and materials helps reduce noise, improve comfort

The refined ride quality and quiet cabin in the 2015 Buick Verano start closer to the ground than extensive insulation and a well-tuned chassis. Down where the rubber meets the road, engineers tuned and refined the Verano's tires for reduced noise and

a comfortable ride. "Far from being little more than a chunk of rubber, tires are a complex machines, made up of dozens of components, chemicals and compounds that must perform perfectly to deliver the traction, braking safety, fuel economy, tread life and road manners today's drivers expect," said Jim Smith, editor of Tire Review magazine. "The tweaking and tuning that goes on behind the scenes, the heavy lifting by auto and tire engineers working in unison, produces tires that quietly perform flawlessly in the background, and a car that delights owners."

According to Chris Arabian, a tire development engineer within General Motors' Tire-Wheel Systems group, the process of selecting and refining a tire is a balancing act.

"For the Verano, we needed to

ensure we provided ride comfort, while also balancing fuel economy and rolling resistance, and delivering an engaging driving experience."

Arabian's team worked closely with tire manufacturer Continental Tire to develop two distinct tire packages for the Verano. The 17-inch P225/50R17 tire, standard on the base Verano, focuses on delivering low rolling resistance, which helps improve fuel economy. The 18inch, P235/45R18 tire, which is standard on the Verano Turbo. was designed to provide crisp

handling and a sportier feel. Tire tuning isn't always a straightforward process - in fact, pursuing one attribute often conflicts with another. For instance, tires with low rolling resistance commonly use rubber compounds that don't lose much energy as they roll along the road. However, compounds that do the exact opposite also excel at reducing noise and soaking up bumps in the road. But the conflict can be resolved by modifying other elements of the tire. For example:

- Tuning certain peak frequencies generated by the tire can reduce the chance that vibrations are amplified throughout the entire car.

- Adjusting the steel belt package, which includes selecting the materials used and the angle at which the two steel belts are aligned. These variables influence ride quality by changing

the tire's ability to flex and absorb imperfections in the road. - Adding a subtread, a layer of

rubber beneath the outer tread layer, also works wonders. "It's a great way to isolate a

tire," says Arabian. "Adding a few hundred grams of low hysteretic material in the subtread of each tire can deliver the same noise reduction as several kilograms of insulation within the car."

Modifying the tire's tread pattern can combat the high-frequency airborne noise emitted when a tire rolls down the road. Adjustments can include revisions to the tread block's shape or the depth and angle of the fine cuts made within tread blocks, which are known as sipes. Altering the tire's footprint can also reduce road noise. While a tire's fundamental footprint on the ground is square, engineers may tune the tire so that footprint's leading and trailing are rounded. This allows the tread block to ease into the pavement instead of all edges striking simultaneously.

"There are so many variables we can adjust in the tire's construction," said Arabian. "Ultimately, when we optimize a tire, it means we can potentially reduce some cost, complexity, or weight elsewhere within the vehicle and still deliver the targeted level of refinement."

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By Jim Akans

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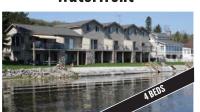
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