

# Shoremens use big plays to top Bay, take SWC lead

**By JEFF JONTZEN**  
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BAY VILLAGE — Three big plays were all the offense Avon Lake needed Friday night as it ran past Bay, 19-7, in a battle of unbeaten Southwestern Conference teams.

“He had a headache and was dizzy. But we went to our wideouts in the second half. We threw quick to him, and he wasn't double-covered (on the 71-yard run).”  
Ken Johnson, who alternates with Schillinger between tailback and fullback, took on the full running burden in the second

## Myers rolls season high

It was a pair of 200-plus games which paved the way for Dianne Myers Friday as she hit the highest series rolled so far this season by an area women — a 626. Competing with the Friday Couples at the Elks, Myers started out with a 225, then added a 222 and finished with a 179 for the tally. The previous high this season was a

The Shoremen are now 2-0 in SWC play and 4-1 for the year. Bay is 1-1 in league play, 3-2 overall.  
Avon Lake won on scoring strikes by quarterback Doug Wichman of 58, 25 and 71 yards. Speed was the key on the first and last touchdowns as receivers Mike Pivato and Paul Schillinger outraced the Rocket defense to turn short passes into big yardage.

“I HAVEN'T seen the team that grinds Bay up on the ground,” Shoremen coach Don Soltis said. “We're a quick ballclub. We wanted to run plays

big front four out of the groove. We didn't want them to get a good head on any one player.”  
“The difference was that we gave up the big play,” Bay coach Tom Kaiser said. “We have been making the big play and winning, but we didn't tonight. We missed tackles, but you have to give Avon Lake their due. They have big play people. Players like Schillinger and Wichman were the difference.”

The Rockets drew first blood. The first of Pete Rektis' two interceptions shut down Avon Lake's opening drive in the end zone. Bay then moved 80 yards in eight plays for a touchdown. QB Pat Henneberry's 31-yard strike to Matt Hoke capped the series. Geoff Purdy added the point after.

But the Shoremen came right back three plays later when Mike Pivato took a short Wichman aerial near midfield and outraced the defense for a 56-yard score. Joel Regan's kick tied the game late in the first quarter.

BAY THEN made a key turnover. The Rockets fumbled away the following kickoff and Avon Lake regained possession on the Bay 33. The Shoremen overcame an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty as Wichman hooked up with Shawn Tyler for the go-ahead score, a 25-yard pass.

Avon Lake's defense and Joe Zinsmeister's punting kept Bay backed in its own territory in the second half. Wichman and Schillinger combined for the team's final TD in the third quarter. Schillinger took a short pass, broke a tackle and outraced the secondary down the right sideline for a 71-yard burst at the eight-minute mark.

Bay, forsaking the run totally in the late stages, moved to the Shoremen 24 with 5:35 remaining. But Wichman intercepted to stop the drive, and Schillinger added an interception on the Rockets' final series.

“Schillinger was 'dinged' in the second quarter,” Soltis said.

# Panthers nip Wolverines

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yards over the left side of the Panther line. But the conversion pass again misfired.

THEN THE PANTHER offense decided to put things out of reach. With Hodge and Plas alternating running plays and quarterback Dave Krol connecting on a key 11 yard pass to Gary Schuler, the Panthers moved sixty yards to a 28-12 lead with five seconds remaining in the third quarter when Hodge scored from the 14. With West needing three scores, the Panthers seemed to have a lock on it.

The picture changed quickly when Mahone matched Nelson's 40 yard run at the 10:59 mark of the fourth quarter. Again the conversion pass failed and West trailed 28-18.

The ball changed hands twice before the Wolverines took over at their own 49 with 4:20 remaining. 1:38 later Mahone got his third score, again over the right side, and ran the same play for the two point conversion, following the use of West's last timeout.

According to Mayne, “We saw what we can do when we stop worrying about winning and concern ourselves with performance. We may be 1-4, but I'm overjoyed.”

Defending C-T Bowler of the Year Johnnie Capers hit her second 600-plus in three days Friday. Coming on the heels of a 607 Wednesday, Capers rolled an area high 236 game en route to a 618 (178-204) with the Center Ridge Friday Mixed Classic. The score was the fourth 600 of the season for Capers.

Also with the Classic, Jane Wells led the 550 Club with consistent scores of 195, 186 and 213 for a 594. Marge Hostutler of the Friday Couples tossed 210 and 214 games before faltering with a 149 for a final 573.

Ruth Hess of the Avon VW Couples at Sugar Lanes (205 high) and Diane Long (174-177-204) of the Grafton Friday Morning Ladies rolled respective 568 and 555 series to round out Friday's scoring.

Inadvertently omitted from the bowling roundup on Thursday's action, Peggy Sword bested her 155 average in every game (202-218-194) for a 612, her first 600 of the season.

**Dance Myers 626, Johnnie Capers 618, Peggy Sword 612.**  
550 CLUB  
Jane Wells 594, Marge Hostutler 573, Ruth Hess 549

## Buckhannon's 669 headlines men

Glen Buckhannon rolled games of 190 and 222 before cracking a final 256 to lift him to the top of men's Friday bowling scores with a 668. Competing with the B.C. Friday Nite 900, Buckhannon hit other games of 190 and 222.

Mike Vitovitz led the Friday Nite C at Grafton Lanes with a 661 (203-242-216), while Jim Smithers topped the Eagles 431 with games of 233, 243 and 180 for a 656. With the B.C. Friday Nite 900, Wilfred Abram rolled a 645 (247-200-198), while Dennis Kaminski hit a 634 (225-204-205).

Also with that league, John Yucka Jr. hit an area high 267 en route to a 628 (156-205).

Glen Buckhannon 668, Mike Vitovitz 661, Jim Smithers 656, Wilfred Abram 645, Dennis Kaminski 645, John Yucka Jr. 628, Moseley Walker 615, Jim Ely 614, Ron Falz 603, Al Cagle 599

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# Firelands roundup

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SP — Dave Meyers, 1 run (Mark Velichak kick)  
SP — Chubby Meyer, 1 run (Velichak kick)  
SP — Gary Sherman, 1 run (kick failed)  
SP — Jeff Nicksal, 1 run (kick failed)  
SP — Sabby  
SP — Sprague, 13 run (Velichak kick)  
M — Brian Barnard, 9 pass from Jeremy Draine (pass failed)  
M — Craig Kitch, 9 pass from Draine (pass failed)

Crestview-New London  
NEW LONDON — Crestview dominated its game with New London as the Cougars won the contest, 39-6.

New London's touchdown came in the fourth period when Ken Ross scored from four yards out.

Team Statistics  
Crestview N.London  
First downs 19 3  
Rushing 11 1  
Passing 8 0  
Penalty 0 2  
Yards rushing 252 43  
Yards passing 295 9  
Total offense 547 52  
Passes att-comp 25-2 0-1  
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C — John Tenas, 1 run (kick failed)  
C — Tim Anderson, 13 run (Mark Berabauer kick)  
C — Troy Majors, 1 run (kick failed)  
C — Berabauer, 14 pass from Matt Berabauer (Berabauer kick)  
C — Majors, 14 run (pass failed)  
N — Ken Ross, 4 run (kick failed)  
C — Jim Phillips, 20 pass from Berabauer (Berabauer kick)

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