

Port Clinton pounds Genoa

GENOA — Kit Lynch scored three times and Mike Bodi added a pair of touchdowns to lead Port Clinton in a 40-6 romp over Genoa in the season opener for both teams Friday.

The Comets struck first on a 38-yard scoring scamper from Scott Viers, but Lynch hit pay-dirt three times before the half and the Redskins never looked back.

Lynch, who picked up 90 yards on 21 carries, went over from the four with 2:15 left in the first period to knot the score, with Andy Benko kicking the extra point to give Port Clinton the lead for good.

Lynch then added touchdown runs of two and three yards in the second quarter, with Bodi going over from the seven. Benko nailed the extra point conversion after each score as the Redskins rolled out to a 28-6 advantage by the intermission.

Bodi got his second score with 3:31 left in the third quarter, with Ricky Cassell going over from the one in the fourth period to end the scoring.

The Redskins held a 13-4 edge in first downs with 10 coming on the ground. Bodi gained 96 yards on 22 carries to spearhead the rushing attack that gained 234 yards in 58 tries.

Port Clinton completed 5 of 14 passes for 58 yards with Mike Elmes catching a pair of 27 yards and Jason Krueken adding two receptions for 24 yards.

Rockets bow to Rossford

ROSSFORD — The inability to stop Rossford's Chris Holifield and Mike Clayton was Oak Harbor's downfall Friday in the season opener.

Holifield produced four touchdowns and Clayton passed for four scores in leading the host Bulldogs to a 40-21 win over the Rockets in a free-scoring battle similar to last year when Rossford posted a 27-26 conquest.

Holifield ran 21 yards in the first period, then 20 in the second to give the hosts a 14-0 lead. Sam Utery exploded for a 37-yard run for Oak Harbor with 1:21 left in the half to cut the deficit in half.

However, Holifield rambled 56 yards on a pass play from Clayton in the third period and Clayton came right back with a 14-yard scoring strike to Jeremy Lenhardt and it was 28-7, Rossford.

Utery scored twice early in the final period for the Rockets on runs of 2 and 5 yards to close the gap to 28-21, but Clayton hurled his third touchdown toss of the night with 4:17 remaining, again to Holifield.

Just 2½ minutes later, Clayton connected for his fourth touchdown pass of the night,

Col. Crawford slips by Seneca East

NORTH ROBINSON — Bubba Harris hit a 35-yard touchdown pass with 24 seconds left to play to lift Colonel Crawford to a 26-20 win over Seneca East in the opener for both teams Friday.

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this time to Jeremy Brund. Holifield ran 16 times for 68 yards and caught three passes for an additional 108 yards.

The winners had 177 yards rushing and 167 passing despite the fact Clayton connected on just 7 of 20.

Oak Harbor gained 155 yards rushing, but clicked on only 5 of 17 passes and lost 4 of 5 fumbles.

Danbury goes down fighting

DANBURY — New Danbury coach Ed Flynn was proud of his football team Friday despite another loss.

"We were driving with five minutes to play when two penalties took us out of a potential field goal. It was a heck of a game and I really believe we surprised them," Flynn said after a narrow 22-20 defeat to Woodmore.

"We were down 22-7 and the kids could have thrown in the towel, but they didn't. We really had a chance to win this one," Flynn said. The Lakers have dropped 32 straight games.

"Woodmore has a real good back in (Chris) Strickland. He scored on three touchdowns (on runs of 3, 70 and 36 yards), all in the first half when they hurt us on the counter play. However, we shut them down in the second half and had 2-3 opportunities to pull it out," Flynn explained.

"We made some adjustments at the half and Woodmore couldn't move the ball on us. Strickland finished with 147 yards on 13 carries and I know he had all but a few of that in the first half," continued the first-year coach.

"We did a nice job of mixing things up. We had 97 yards in the air and around 70 something on the ground. Donnis Todd had 50 yards on 13 carries and also caught 5 passes for 38 yards and Devon Ellis had four receptions for 47 yards and both scored on passes from Carl Uhinck," Flynn said.

"Our fans were really great. There was not a seat in the house, they packed the stands and then gave the kids a standing ovation after the game. That was really something we appreciate. We're not going to be just respectable, we're going to win sometime this year," he predicted.

Danbury closed the gap to 22-13 before the half when Mike Guier bowled over from four yards out.

Then, in the third period, Uhinck fired a 15-yard scoring strike to Ellis. It was Uhinck to Todd for 35 yards in the opening moments of the second period. Gabe Polanco's kick made it an 8-7 game.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

(Late games not included)

East		W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	72	58	554	—	
Detroit	69	59	539	2	
Boston	64	63	504	6½	
Milwaukee	61	67	477	10	
New York	58	69	457	12½	
Baltimore	53	75	414	18	
Cleveland	43	85	336	28	

West		W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	77	53	582	—	
Oakland	69	60	535	7½	
Chicago	68	61	527	8½	
Texas	67	60	528	8½	
Seattle	67	61	523	9	
Kansas City	66	61	520	9½	
California	63	65	492	13	

Friday Results

New York 9, Toronto 2
Cleveland 3, Chicago 2
Baltimore 11, Minnesota 5
Milwaukee 6, California 2
Texas 6, Kansas City 2
Boston at Seattle
Detroit at Oakland

Today's Games

Toronto (Key 13-9) at New York (Plunk 2-3), 1:05 p.m.
Detroit (Terrell 10-10) at Oakland (Moore 12-8), 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Nichols 2-10) at Chicago (Hough 7-8), 5:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 2-3) at Minnesota (Tapani 12-7), 8:05 p.m.
California (Grahe 1-6) at Milwaukee (Bosio 10-9), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Gubicza 7-7) at Texas (Witt 8-3), 8:35 p.m.
Boston (Clemens 13-8) at Seattle (Hanson 7-6), 10:05 p.m.

INDIANS-WHITE SOX

CLEVELAND		CHICAGO	
	ab r h bi		ab r h bi
Cole cf	4 1 1 0	Raines lf	4 1 1 0
Browne 3b	4 1 2 1	Ventura 3b	4 1 1 0
Baerga 2b	4 0 1 2	Thomas dh	2 0 0 0
Belle lf	3 0 0 0	Paquias 1b	4 0 0 1
JoGonzalez cf	0 0 0 0	Fisk c	4 0 1 1
Whiten rf	4 0 0 0	LJohnson cf	3 0 0 0
Aldrete 1b	4 0 1 0	Grebeck 2b	3 0 2 0
CaMartuz dh	4 0 2 0	Newson ph	1 0 0 0
Peretzich pr	0 0 0 0	Sosa rf	2 0 1 0
Skinner c	2 0 0 0	Merullo ph	1 0 0 0
Lopez c	2 0 0 0	Guillen ss	2 0 0 0
Fermin ss	4 1 1 0		
Totals	35 3 8 3	Totals	30 2 6 2
Cleveland	000 000 030-3	Chicago	200 000 000-2

E-L Johnson, DP—Cleveland 1, LOB—Cleveland 7, Chicago 6, 2B—Browne, Ca. Martinez, Raines, SB—Cole 2 (20), S—Guillen, Sosa.
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CLEVELAND		CHICAGO	
	W	L	Pct.
Nagy (W 8-11)	7	6	22 2 2 0
Hillegas	1	0	0 0 1 0 0
Olin (S 9)	1	0	0 0 0 1 0

Chicago

CLEVELAND		CHICAGO	
	W	L	Pct.
Frndtz (L 6-12)	7	13	6 33 1 7 0
M.Perez	0	1	0 0 0 0 0
Radinsky	2-3	1	0 0 0 0 0
Thigpen	1	0	0 0 0 0 0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

(Late games not included)

East		W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	75	51	595	—	
St. Louis	69	57	548	6	
Chicago	65	62	512	10½	
New York	62	66	484	14	
Philadelphia	61	67	477	15	
Montreal	51	76	402	24½	

West		W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	72	56	563	—	
Los Angeles	69	58	543	2½	
Cincinnati	64	64	500	8	
San Diego	63	65	492	9	
San Francisco	60	67	472	11½	
Houston	53	75	414	19	

Friday Results

Atlanta 6, Philadelphia 1
New York 3, Cincinnati 2
Montreal 3, Houston 1
Los Angeles 2, Chicago 1
Pittsburgh at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
St. Louis at San Francisco, 10:35 p.m.

Today's Games

St. Louis (Smith 11-7) at San Francisco (Black 9-13), 4:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Reynoso 2-0) at Philadelphia (DeJesus 9-4), 7:05 p.m.
New York (Fernandez 1-3) at Cincinnati (Sanford 1-2), 7:05 p.m.
Houston (Harnish 8-8) at Montreal (Haney 2-4), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Sutcliffe 4-7) at Los Angeles (Gross 8-9), 10:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Tomlin 8-4) at San Diego (Harris 4-4), 10:05 p.m.

Willard stops Orrville in rain-delayed battle

ORRVILLE — A touchdown by quarterback Chris Long just before halftime keyed Willard's 21-12 victory over host Orrville Friday in a game delayed 80 minutes by heavy rains.

The Flashes were clinging to a 7-6 lead when Long skirted five yards into the end zone with just 19 seconds on the clock, then kicked his second PAT of the night.

Willard had control from that point on and built a 21-6 lead at the 9:22 mark of the final period when tailback Todd Corbin knifed in from three yards out.

The Flashes, who had a perfect 10-0 regular season in 1990 and lost in the regional finals of the Division III playoffs, was opportunistic as they forced Orrville into four turnovers.

"We did an excellent job tonight, especially for the first game. Todd Corbin really erupted as the force we've been waiting for," Willard coach Terry King said.

"Chris Long has a lot of experience as a football player even though not as a quarterback and he showed that tonight," King added.

"We're really happy with our defense. Our linebackers really did the job and they had to have a lot of tackles. I was concerned about the delay, but our kids went out there and played solid football after that," King concluded.

Shawn King plunged one yard and Long kicked the extra point at the 6:44 mark of the second period. However, Orrville struck 41 seconds later when Andre Johnson broke free for a 57-yard run.

Orrville close the gap to 21-12 with a score on Johnson's nine-yard run midway through the final period.

Keystone 14 Monroeville 13

MONROEVILLE — Monroeville had developed a habit of winning season openers.

But, it all came to an end Friday night when Keystone was able to convert after its second touchdown which proved to be the margin of victory in a 14-13 triumph over the Eagles.

Monroeville had reeled off 21 straight wins in season openers and was unbeaten the last 22 years.

Prior to Friday's loss, the Eagles hadn't lost a season opener since 1968 when they lost to Lakeside, 27-0.

Two other streaks fell by the wayside as head coach Steve Ringholz lost an opener for the first time in 14 tries and

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Keystone also topped the Eagles for the first time in five openers.

With 10:20 left to play, Chad Kerr blasted through from two yards out to pull Keystone even at 13-13. Then, Jeff Armitage added the point after for what proved to be the deciding point.

Keystone, under first-year mentor Scott Thompson who was formerly head coach at Norwalk, scored first in the contest on a one-yard run by Ben Linden and Armitage added the point after.

But, the Eagles bounced back with a pair of second quarter scores as Rick Lodwick hauled in a six-yard scoring toss from Jason Poths and Lodwick converted with 6:20 showing on the clock.

And, Monroeville took a 13-7 lead on a 48-yard interception return by Andy Homan with 2:01 left before halftime.

Keystone had a wide edge in the statistics battle. They gained 223 yards on the ground and added 73 through the air while Monroeville was held to 53 yards rushing and 56 through the air.

New London 22 Northwestern 13

NEW LONDON — New London took care of its 11-game losing streak on the first night of the 1991 season.

The Wildcats, who had not won a game since ninth game of the 1989 season, erased a 7-0 deficit with a pair of scores in the second quarter and tacked on a touchdown in the third to pull away from Northwestern, 22-13, Friday.

Joe Sadzewicz got the Huskies on the scoreboard first with a 25-yard touchdown run with 3:22 left in the first period. New London answered with touchdowns from Derek Davidson and Chad Hall in the final 4:32 of the second quarter.

Davidson went over from the five and Hall pulled down a 29-yard scoring strike from Rob Lavengood three minutes later for the Wildcats. Jay Raphael added the extra point conversion after each score to open up a 14-7 halftime edge.

Sadzewicz scored from 16 yards out with 6:15 left in the third period, but Northwestern's extra point attempt was blocked by Jeremy Johnson.

Lavengood then closed out the scoring with a 6-yard run later in the quarter, with Josh Moody hitting Brian Hoffheins with a conversion pass to end the scoring.

New London had a 269-201 edge in total yardage, gaining 186 on the ground and 83 through the air. The winners also had 13 first downs in the game, seven more than the Huskies picked up.

Lucas 43 South Central 6

GREENWICH — Lucas kicked off the season by bowling over South Central, 43-6, in non-conference action Friday night.

Darren Cooper pulled down a pair of Kyle Foos passes for touchdowns to lead the Cubs, including an 81-yard bomb, while Ron Conn was 5 of 6 in extra point attempts and booted a 28-yard field goal.

Lucas, which picked up 300 yards on the ground and 116 through the air, jumped out to a 13-0 lead in the first on Nate Arnold's 5-yard scoring run and the 81-yard reception by Cooper.

The Cubs tacked on 14 points in the second quarter on a 10-yard from Scott Savich and a 15-yard touchdown strike from Foos to Cooper.

The Trojans made it 27-6 before intermission on a 10-yard touchdown pass from Nate Prater to Chad French.

Lucas added a 3-yard scoring run from Jim Iceman and Conn's field goal in the third quarter and finished the scoring on a 43-yard run from Steve Boyd.

Crestline 13 Plymouth 6

CRESTLINE — Plymouth jumped in front in its season opener, but was unable to hang as Crestline scored a 13-6 non-conference victory Friday.

Sophomore quarterback Ricky Reeder and Steve Powers hooked up on a one-yard scoring pass to give Plymouth a 6-0 lead in the first quarter, but the lead didn't last long as the Bulldogs answered on a 30-yard touchdown strike from Josh Cochran to Shawn Long.

Crestline took the lead for good on the conversion kick and added an insurance score in the final period on Eric Downing's 4-yard run.

The Bulldogs had 207 yards rushing in the game with Downing going 104 yards in 12 carries.

Plymouth gained 169 yards on the ground in the game with Dennis Cunningham picking up 113 in 18 tries. Reeder was also 13 of 24 for 121 yards passing with one interception.

Baerga lifts Indians past White Sox

CHICAGO (UPI) — Carlos Baerga may play on the worst team in baseball, but he's one of the best in the game.

Baerga hit a two-run single to highlight an eighth inning rally Friday night that lifted the Cleveland Indians to a 3-2 victory over the Chicago White Sox. The second baseman also made a run-saving play in the second, snaring Robin Ventura's grounder to end the inning and stranding two runners.

"That kid is going to be a big name in this game for awhile," White Sox Manager Jeff Torborg said.

"I've just been swinging well," Baerga said. "Melido (Perez) was throwing his fork-balls well and he threw a fast-ball high and I hit it."

The win marked only the third time in 73 games the Indians have comeback when trailing after seven innings.

"A hit here, a bloop over first there — that's the story," said loser Alex Fernandez, who had a three-hit shutout after seven innings.

It was the White Sox's 10th loss in their last 11 games.

"When things are not going well, you don't get the big run and you can't stop the other team from scoring the big run," Torborg said. "We've been harping on it for a while but that's what happened tonight."

Charles Nagy, 8-11, scattered six hits over seven innings, striking out two and walking two. He picked up only his second win in six August starts, but is 3-0 against the White Sox this year with a 1.80 ERA.

"Right now we've got to be the spoilers," Nagy said. "We know we're out of it. It's a great accomplishment to beat a

team that's contending." The Indians now have achieved greatness in four of their last five meetings with the White Sox.

Shawn Hillegas pitched one inning in relief and Steve Olin worked the ninth for his ninth save.

Fernandez, 6-12, gave up six hits in 7½ innings, striking out seven and walking one.

"He put on a pitching clinic the first seven innings," Cleveland Manager Mike Hargrove said of Fernandez. "He kept the ball down and away from us and did a real good job."

"Tonight, he was awesome," Baerga said.

"Either they were looking out and I was throwing in," Fernandez said, "or they were looking in and I was throwing out."

But it didn't last. Fernandez said he was bothered by the heat and humidity at game time, feeling sick to his stomach during the first inning. He felt even worse in the eighth.

Yankees 9, Blue Jays 2

At New York, Mel Hall and Matt Nokes each smacked two-run homer in the fifth inning to back eight solid innings from Scott Sanderson Friday night, leading the New York Yankees to a 9-2 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays.

Toronto, which had its five-game winning streak snapped, entered the night leading Detroit by 2½ games in the AL East.

Orioles 11, Twins 5

At Minneapolis, Joe Orsulak went 5 for 5 with three RBI to pace a 17-hit attack and Cal Ripken drove in four runs Friday night, leading the Balti-

more Orioles to an 11-5 victory over the Minnesota Twins.

Brewers 6, Angels 2
At Milwaukee, Wis., Bill Wegman scattered five hits over seven innings and Jim Gantner and Bill Spiers each drove in two runs Friday night to lead the Milwaukee Brewers

to a 6-2 victory over the California Angels.

Rangers 6, Royals 2
At Arlington, Texas, Nolan Ryan gave up just two hits over 5½ innings Friday night and the Texas Rangers held on to bring him the 311th win of his career, a 6-2 victory over the Kansas City Royals.

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