

## Trio share first in FC

Monroeville 47  
W. Reserve 12

COLLINS - Monroeville beat the Western Reserve Roughriders by the score of 47-12.

Scoring for the Eagles was Scott Benfer with a 1 yard run to put Monroeville up by a score of 7-0.

Western answered right back with Sonny Bivins' 86 yard kick-off return to knot the score at 7 apiece.

Then the Eagles exploded for 14 points in the second quarter by Paul Drossman scoring twice, 6 yard run and a 25 yard pass reception from Chad Ackerman.

The Eagles came out of half-time to burst for 19 more points.

Aaron Parker, Drossman, Dale Potts all scored to put the Eagles in the lead.

Josh Fulton ended the game with an 11 yard scamper for the Roughriders.

Monroeville had 502 total yards compared to the Roughriders' 118. Eagle quarterback Ackerman threw for 230 yards, while the ground game picked up 272 yards.

"They were able to run a couple of plays really well and Steve (Monroeville coach Ringholz) really called a nice game," said Western mentor Gary Lill.

"We've got some players banged up and we didn't run the ball very well tonight," added Lill.

St. Paul 62  
New London 6

NEW LONDON - The second ranked (Division VI) St. Paul ran all over the Wildcats by the score of 62-6.

St. Paul out gained the Wildcats 569 to 83 yards.

Dan Pugh scored three times and Jay Marrow scored twice in the first half along with Scott Brutsche, Mike Marrow, Terry Taylor, and Derek Olcott all scoring in the first half of play.

New London's Jared Muffit ran from 31 yards out to give them their only score of the game.

St. Paul had 448 yards on the ground compared to 44 for the Wildcats. The Flyers had 16 first downs in the first half to 1 for New London.

The Flyers had 436 total yards offense at half-time.

St. Paul had at one point of the game a lead of 55-0 before New London got on the scoreboard.

Plymouth 34  
Mapleton 0

PLYMOUTH — Kevin Rodman fired three touchdown passes leading Plymouth to a 34-0 Firelands Conference win over Mapleton Friday.

Rodman hit scoring tosses of 11, 14 and 13 yards, completing 12 of 22 for 167 yards as the Big Red improved to 4-1 on the season and 2-0 in the league.

Plymouth gained 371 yards offense in the game and limited the Mounties to 195 yards with three interceptions and a pair of fumble recoveries.

Ryan Click got Plymouth started by hauling in Rodman's 11-yarder in the first quarter with the quarterback hitting Kevin Mongold with the 14-yard strike in the second quarter.

Kevin Click picked off a Mountie pass and returned it 14 yards for a touchdown to push the lead to 21-0 with Rodman and Jerry Longden hooking up on the 13-yarder before the period ended.

Ryan Click finished the scoring with a 64-yard scoring scamper while Zac King went 4 for 5 kicking extra points.

S. Central 17  
Crestview 16

GREENWICH - Gary Ramsey's conversion following a South Central touchdown proved to be the deciding point as the host Trojans slipped past Ashland Crestview, 17-16, in overtime Friday night.

After the teams went to overtime knotted at 10-10, Crestview got the ball first and scored on a six-yard run by Jim Smeltzer. But, the try for the extra point failed as Crestview held a 16-10 lead.

South Central, 2-3 overall and 1-1 in the Firelands Conference, took over and Doug Dendinger hooked up with Tim Deering for a 20-yard touchdown pass which tied the score at 16-16. Then, Ramsey added the point after for the win.

Crestview, 2-3 overall and 1-1 in the conference, took a 3-0 lead in the second quarter on a 21-yard field goal by Felipe Padovani.

That proved to be all the scoring until the Trojans got a safety at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Brandon Sallee scored on a 70-yard interception return to put the Cougars ahead, 10-2.

But, the Trojans came back to force overtime as Ty Stevenson hauled in a 47-yard pass from Dendinger and the same two added the points after to knot the score at 10-10.



European Ryder Cup team member Jesper Parnevik of Sweden reacts after he sank the winning putt during his four-ball match on Day One of the Ryder Cup at the Valderrama Golf Course in southern Spain Friday. Parnevik and teammate Per-Ulrik Johansson beat Tom Lehman and Jim Furyk of the United States by one hole.

## Ryder

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opening round was suspended by darkness with two matches still on the course and his U.S. team tied with Europe, 3-3.

"Those so-called experts who said there was going to be a blowout one way or the other obviously were wrong," said Kite, who was thumped awake at 5 a.m. by thunder and lightning.

"They were very close matches, a lot of them coming down to the last hole," said Kite, who was annoyed all week by suggestions that his team would win in a rout.

In fact, four of the six matches completed Friday made it to the 18th green. Scott Hoch and Brad Faxon rolled in important putts for the Americans and Jesper Parnevik sank a couple for Europe.

Nick Faldo, playing in a record 11th Ryder Cup, proved no one was immune to the pressure when he missed a six-footer on the final hole of his better-ball match.

He then watched as Faxon made almost the same putt to give him and Fred Couples a 1-up victory over Faldo and Lee Westwood.

"That was a huge putt, not only for Brad's confidence, but for the entire team," Kite said, referring to a putt of about the same length that Faxon missed on the last hole to lose his Sunday's singles match 1-down to David Gilford in 1995.

The United States gave away the Ryder Cup to Europe 14½-13½ in Rochester, N.Y., when five matches went to the final hole on Sunday and the Americans failed to win any of them.

The Americans fared better on Friday, splitting the four matches decided on the final-hole.

Davis Love III and Phil Mickelson

lost to Jose Maria Olazabal and Costantino Rocca 1-up in better-ball, but that was because the European pair played five holes at 5-under par, including a 131-yard wedge hole by Olazabal for an eagle on No. 15.

And Tom Lehman and Jim Furyk lost to Parnevik and Per-Ulrik Johansson in better-ball 1-up when Parnevik made 15-foot birdie putts on the last two holes.

In addition to the win by Faxon and Couples, the Americans got a final-hole point when Hoch and Lee Janzen defeated Olazabal and Rocca in alternate-shot on a six-foot birdie putt by Hoch.

"We had a huge momentum swing there this afternoon with Scott and Lee making a birdie on that last hole to win the match," Kite said.

"That was a big match," he said. "That match went up and down and all around and they held onto it."

The only two matches that didn't go the entire way involved Tiger Woods, who was greeted on the first hole by a T-shirt emblazoned "Tiger Who?" and a shout of "Tame the Tiger."

A distinctly American voice got into the spirit with a cry of "Eat 'em up and spit 'em out, Tiger."

Woods, who was noticeably annoyed when he was hooted after a poor bunker shot on No. 7 in the afternoon, teamed with Mark O'Meara and won their morning better-ball match 3 and 2 over Colin Montgomerie and Bernhard Langer.

The same pair then lost to Montgomerie and Langer in alternate-shot play 5 and 3.

"How do I explain it?" Kite said about the rout of Woods and O'Meara. "They didn't play very well. Tiger was not even right in this morning. He was not quite as sharp as he wanted to be."

European captain Seve Ballesteros got exactly what he needed on the first day. His team kept the Americans close. Europe could very

well be leading when the two suspended matches were finished.

Parnevik and Ignacio Garrido were even with Lehman and Mickelson with six holes to play in their alternate-shot match.

And Faldo and Westwood were 2-up in their match against Jeff Maggert and Justin Leonard and had a six-foot birdie putt on No. 16 when Maggert invoked his right to suspend the match.

Play will resume with the Americans facing a 25-footer they might need to make to stay alive.

"My pair agreed to play until it became too dark to play," Kite said. "That's the way the agreement is. If any one player decides it is too dark, then he has that option."

Ballesteros, a master of gamesmanship, had no problems with the move by the Americans.

"No, it was getting dark," he said. "I don't know if they were upset or not," he said when told that Faldo appeared annoyed. "I wasn't there. I will ask them tonight."

Ballesteros, whose fierce pride is even more tested by the fact that this Ryder Cup in his native Spain is the first played on the European continent, pulled out all stops on the opening day.

While Kite used all 12 of his players, Ballesteros sat out Ian Woosnam — a veteran of seven Ryder Cups — Darren Clarke and Thomas Bjorn, opting to go with what he saw as his strongest players.

"Everybody will play at least one match before the singles" on Sunday, Ballesteros said. "The players that didn't play so far will play (this morning), and I will try to put together solid teams for the afternoon because it is very important in the afternoon."

If Ballesteros can get as much from his team on Saturday as he did on the opening day, it will be a big step toward keeping the Ryder Cup in Europe.

## Erik Rogers beats brother's record in Vermilion win

VERMILION — They talk about big plays in football.

In Vermilion's case Friday, it was one huge offensive play after another in a 42-21 come-from-behind win over Ashland.

The Sailors trailed 21-7 at one point, then roared back featuring the record-setting running by senior Erik Rogers to gain a very big win for coach Ralph Mayer's club.

Erik Rogers exploded for 291 yards on just 13 carries and reeled off touchdown runs of 39, 68, 71 and 71 to beat his twin brother's single game rushing mark. Scott Rogers held the mark of 273 yards (on 18 carries) since last year.

"It was very big win for us and we're really happy with the way our kids came back after being down by 14," Mayer said.

Erik Rogers bolted 71 yards on the first offensive play of the second half to knot the score at 21-21.

Mayer felt the play of the night came a few minutes later.

"We threw an interception and Terry Dalehite, the intended receiver, brought the runner down at the five. Two plays later they fumble and we recover. Then, our quarterback Roger Kurtz hits Terry on a 78-yard touchdown pass to give us the lead for good. Erik runs 71 yards for another touchdown, then Scott pops one for 53 yards with 21 seconds left in the game," Mayer continued.

Vermilion rushed for 402 yards and passed for another 121 in running its record to 4-1.

"They tried 43 passes against us and hit on 17 for 218 yards but we

came up with two big interceptions. I really believe Terry's tackle to save a touchdown was the turning point for us," Mayer offered.

## Lakers bop Lorain Cath.

LORAIN — Danbury beat Lorain Catholic by the score of 30-14.

Scoring for the Lakers were Jim Lenner on an 80 yard pass from Brian Fleenor. Mike Nelson score on a 31 yard pass from Fleenor to take a 14-0 lead.

Matt Pastron got Lorain on the scoreboard first with his seven yard reception from Louie Graiso.

The Lakers answered with Mike Nelson scoring on a 15 yard pass from Fleenor. Danbury added to the scoring, with Jake Martin running in from 4 yards out.

Lorain's Zack Warner scored at the end of the game on a 17 yard pass from Graiso.

The Lakers had 353 rushing yards compared to 53 yards for Lorain.

### LOCAL GOLF

#### Ruggiero, Dix collect aces

CLYDE — Carmin Ruggiero of Fremont and Wesley Dix of Castalia carded holes-in-one during recent play at Sleepy Hollow.

Ruggiero aced No. 10, a 135-yard par-3 hole while playing in the Ford Thursday League. Neil Enoch, Bob Ward and Dick Watson were all playing with Ruggiero.

Dix had his first hole-in-one, also on No. 10, with Dewey Caldwell of Sandusky playing along side.

### Mills Creek

#### Mills Ladies

SANDUSKY — Barb Kaufman fired a 47 and Sandy Elgart took net with a 43 during recent Flight A action.

Geri Ruthsatz was the Flight B gross leader at 54 and Shirley Koelsch led net with a 39.

Mary Jane Armstrong was the putts leader with 15 while Koelsch had a birdie on No. 4.

Kaufman was the Flight A leader in the Game of the Day (Best Poker Hand) with five 6's with Lois Meyers and Ruthsatz sharing Flight B honors with four 7's.

## Everyone has opinion on Rose

CINCINNATI (AP) — Seemingly everyone in Cincinnati had an opinion after hearing that Pete Rose applied for reinstatement to baseball.

And few of them minced words. "They let murderers out of prison in less time than it's taking Pete Rose to get reinstated," said Jack Koenig as he sipped beer in a downtown bar following Friday's news that baseball's all-time hits leader had applied for reinstatement.

Rose was manager of the Cincinnati Reds when he agreed to the lifetime ban Aug. 23, 1989, for allegedly betting on baseball games.

Rose denied the allegations but signed a settlement agreement with then-commissioner A. Bartlett Giamatti agreeing to a lifetime ban in turn for Giamatti's promise to make no formal finding on whether Rose bet on his own sport.

"Geez, he's paid the price for eight years. Let him back in," Tom Whitaker said.

In another watering hole a few blocks away, Carl Willoughby also said it is time to reinstate Rose.

"It's not like he sold secrets to the Russians," Willoughby said. "My God, it's a sport. A game. Some people take this stuff way, way too seriously."

Willoughby's drinking buddy, William Clough, said Rose has been treated worse than those associated with the Watergate scandal, the 1972 burglary of the Democracy Party national committee headquarters supported by then President Richard Nixon.

"Nixon got pardoned. G. Gordon Liddy has a talk show now," he said. "Not all fans were as forgiving, however."

"He tainted the game," said Ed Huff as he played darts with three friends in the back of one bar. "He'd taint it if he comes back."

Keith Braxton agreed.

"How can you bet on a sport you're involved in? That still floors me," he said. "Pete Rose has no business in the Hall of Fame — no matter how many hits he got."

### PREP SOCCER

#### Perkins goes to 6-0 in SBC

MILAN — Perkins exploded for five goals in the first half and breezed to its sixth straight Sandusky Bay Conference soccer win Thursday.

The Pirates wound up with a 7-1 decision over Edison with five different players producing goals and five more assists.

Greg Mateyka opened the scoring at the nine-minute mark for the Pirates and Aaron Steffenhagen made it 2-0. Mike Spence scored on a penalty kick for the Chargers but it was all Perkins from that point on.

Matt Luginbill and Steffenhagen had two goals each for the winners while Lee Dessecker and Drew Davie added single tallies. Steffenhagen also came up with three assists while Luginbill, Mateyka, Brian Ferencz and Ryan Babuch added one assist apiece.

Nick Routh and Patrick Blasko shared goalie duties for the Pirates who are 9-3 overall and host Huron Tuesday at 7 p.m.

#### Huron blanks St. Mary's club team

HURON — Andy Cooper came out of the Huron goal to score two times while Chris Asher had a goal and two assists in a 9-0 victory over the St. Mary's club team Thursday at Fabens Park.

The Tigers (5-5) got off to a fast start when John Black scored 30 seconds into the game with Adam Gravlin getting the assist.

Asher then booted home a bicycle kick off a pass from Ben Stierhoff with Gravlin making it a 3-0 game from Mike Corriveau. Asher then assisted Mark Murray on the final goal of the first half.

Cooper notched the first two goals of the second half with Dylan Howell assisting the first and Josh Parschauer the second. Howell then scored from Greg Marsh with Parschauer putting in the game's last score with Patrick Craig getting the assist.

Jeff Kendall made nine saves in the Huron goal to preserve the shutout with the Tigers making 23 shots on the St. Mary's goal.

Huron returns to action Saturday at 1 p.m. when it hosts Vermilion at Fabens Park.

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