

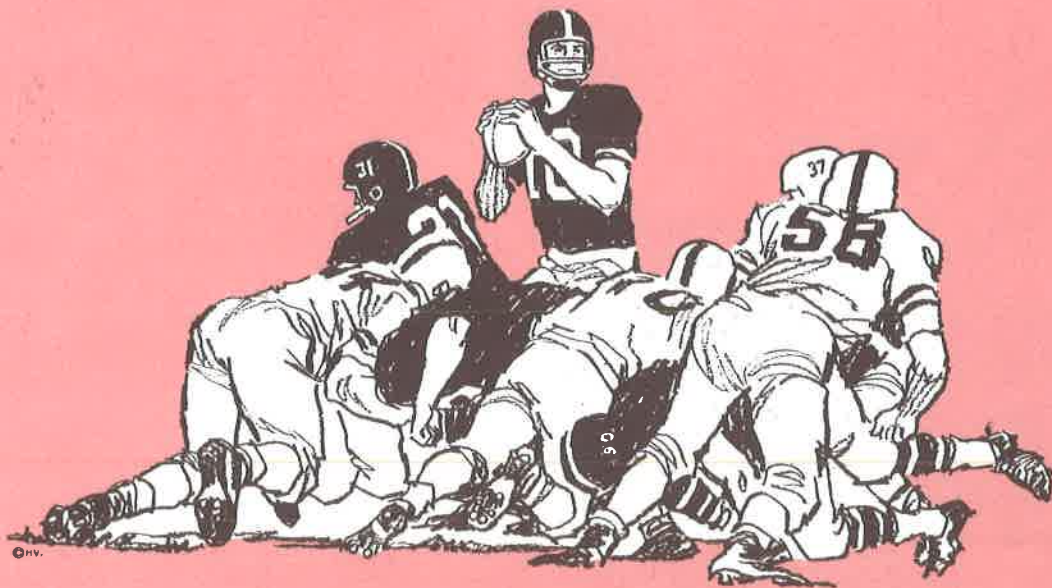
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President's Message

I feel very proud to be serving as the president of the Minnesota State Football Coaches Association. This association has been a leader in many areas, both statewide and nationally in such things as: this publication (probably the finest in the nation), the All-Star game, the hall of fame, the academic all-state team, the 1st and 10 newsletter, the five class playoff system, the assistant coach "Butch Nash" Award, and many others too numerous to mention. This leadership in excellence doesn't just happen. It is brought about by a number of very dedicated coaches who put in a great amount of time and effort into each of these projects. The person who puts in the most time and effort is our secretary-treasurer, Jim Simser of Fairmont. Without Jim's untiring service this organization would not have its level of excellence.

If you wish to have this association continue to be one of the leaders in the country, get involved! Become a conference representative, join a committee and attend our association meetings. If you wish to be an active member, let me know and

we'll put you to work.

The Halloween snow storm of last fall tested the fibers of our state football playoff system. The wolves were howling for a shortened season, four team section playoffs, or not having section playoffs at all, but rather eliminate conferences and start the season with your section play being your schedule.

Thanks to a lot of work by John Bartz, and other members of the league staff, the playoff system was saved by getting most of the section finals and state quarter finals inside a dome. I would hate to see much change in our playoff system. To go to a four team section playoff would reduce the opportunities for 50% of our players to compete in a state playdown. In what other sport do we have such limited opportunity?

At the present time a committee is working on a plan to hold the quarter finals in a dome. If you have any ideas about this, you should contact Mike Younggren of Watertown-Mayer, who is the committee chairman.

In June, the MSHSL Board of Directors passed

an emergency amendment that will allow players to wear pads during the last two days of conditioning. No person to person contact will be allowed, but players will be able to hit dummies and sleds and get acclimated to their pads before contact begins the following week. The representative assembly passed this amendment by a mail ballot with a vote of 71 yes and only 1 no vote.

Another important issue is before the policy committee of the MSHSL. This issue deals with a school's right to dress the same number of players for section and state playoffs that they have dressed during the season of play. The schools would be required to pay for all expenses for the additional players above the state quota.

A solid refusal of the summer coaching rule was a real victory for the football coaches. Football is the last frontier in fighting specialization. We as football coaches should continue to fight so that kids can be kids, so they can go out for numerous sports, and that they can have time to spend with

their families and friends. Those groups and individuals who dominate young athletes seven days a week for the entire year are not good for kids, in fact much harm is being done. Much of the value of athletics is being lost in this mad scramble to over emphasize certain sports.

As I look back on my 36 years of coaching football, some things are gone, such as the single wing and the sidesaddle T. But many things remain the same: kids come to play, if you're fair with kids and give them encouragement, they'll still go the extra mile, and the juice still flows strong on Friday nights.

I am proud to be coaching this great game, played by a special breed of young men, and coached by men who are men.

I wish you all the best in the season ahead.

Sincerely,
George Larson,
President, MHSFCA
Cambridge

Pre-Season Rules Change

A pre-season rules change sponsored by the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association has been passed by the Representative Assembly by a vote of 72-1. The rules change, which is effective beginning in the 1992 season, will be resubmitted to the Assembly at its November meeting for final approval.

The change affects the first week of conditioning and reads as follows: The first three (3) days of conditioning will be conducted only with the issue of helmets, mouth protectors, dummies and shoes.

The final two days of the conditioning week players may dress in full protective pads and may be allowed to hit dummies and sleds with no physical person-to-person contact allowed until the first day of the second week of practice.

The change will allow the players to get a good fit and become acclimated to the pads for two days before contact begins. It is imperative that all coaches abide by both the letter and the spirit of the rule. It's our rules change, so let's make it work!



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Pierz Football: Defense the Key to Success

by Leo Pohlkamp, Head Coach Pierz

About The Author

Leo Pohlkamp, Head Coach - 6 years (Assistant Coach, 6 years) Pierz - Central MN Conference. Record as Head Coach 50-15. 3 conference titles, 2 section titles, Section Runner-up 2 yrs. Assistant Coaches: John Hellie, line coach; Rick Sczublewski; running backs - defensive backs; Dean Dahlmen; receivers and 9th grade coach; John Swenson; Junior High.

When I look back at past seasons and think of why Pierz football is successful, I can think of many reasons but the most important is consistent, tough defense. We have had many good athletes and a winning tradition helps but year in and year out our team plays sound fundamental defense.

Our basic 5-2 defense is run the same way many high school teams throughout the state run their defense. I feel we emphasize certain aspects of this defense in practice and during games. In our conference we see teams run 6-2, 4-4, 5-3, and 4-3. These defenses have their strengths and weaknesses. Our philosophy is that the 5-2 defense is the best balance between stopping the run, defending against the pass and shutting down the motion offense.

Defense Comes First

The saying in football "Offense wins ball games, but defense wins championships" is so true because come playoff time, most teams have their offenses in full gear and they prepare to attack weaknesses in defense. Most often the teams that keep winning are the ones playing sound, fundamental defense.

In our 5-2 regular defense we do not slant left or right with our nose guard and defensive tackles. We play a straight on alignment (reading and fighting pressure with good defensive pursuit). We do stunt and blitz in certain situations to get the offense in a passing situation.

Ends and Interior Linemen

Our defensive end play is very important to our defense. We stress over and over that they must contain and force runs back inside where the pursuit is. They cut the field in half if they do their job. We stress the fact that reverses, sweeps, quick pitches (getting outside where we don't have many tacklers) are big plays for opposing teams. We stress to our defensive ends to look directly at the tight end because he is the one who will knock you on your butt, hook you to get outside or block down to let you know a kick out block is coming. If our defensive end is looking in the backfield he will not play defense very long. Our defensive ends must read and react.

Linebackers and Safeties

Our line backing play is reading backs and we try to get our best overall tacklers at these positions. We do a lot of agility drills with our linebackers to prepare them. We blitz linebackers to help our pass rush but most often they drop in our zone coverage.

I believe that the key to winning big games and continuing to win in the playoffs is the good play of your defensive backs. If you have good athletes and they can run and cover you are in a good situation to win many games. We played in the state tournament two out of the last three years because our secondary played good football and we had good overall pursuit. We play a variety of zone coverages two deep and three deep and man-to-man in blitzing situations, but we try to keep it as simple as we can.

Defensive Practice

When we break down in practice defensively we stress quick feet, good pursuit angles, and we spend a lot of time on change of direction drill (see diagram), because defenders need to develop the agility for cutback runners or change of direction plays. We will do this drill at least twice a week.

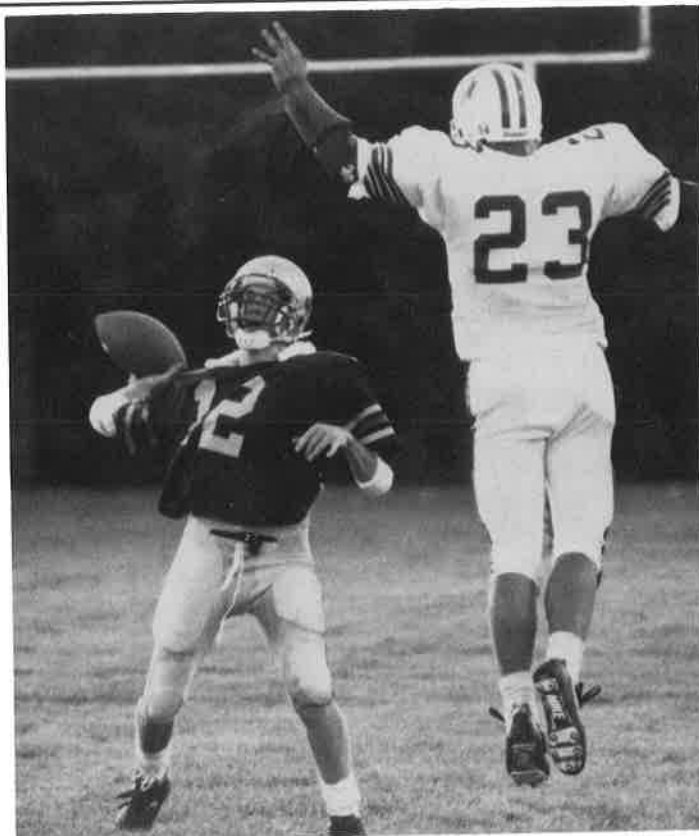
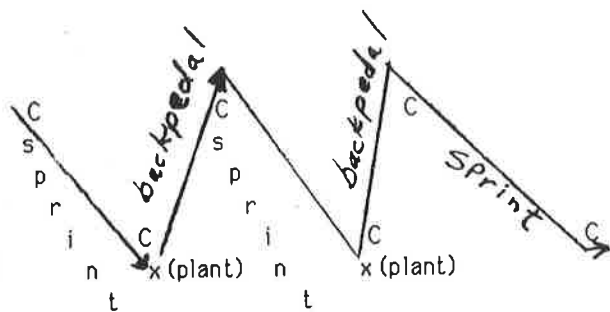
Change of Direction Drill

This drill stresses quickness, planting, and acceleration. We go through twice.

(Finish by running through to the end of the line.)

P X
L X
A X
Y X
E X
R X
S X

(CONES)



Martin Country West's Thad Tumbleson (#12) gets set to throw a halfback pass over the outstretched reach of a Pipestone defender.

SUMMARY: We probably spend more time practicing offense once school starts and games begin, but during pre-season we spend quite a bit of time on defense. We do what we call defensive shell where players run passing plays against our defensive without offensive linemen. I feel this helps our secondary communicate, builds cooperation and teaches team unity. As you begin planning another football pre-season routine, maybe these notes and this drill can be helpful to you and your coaching staff. And, good luck in the coming season!

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Taking Pressure Off Your Quarterback With Receiver Read Routes

by Brent Jeffers, Offensive Coordinator,
Southwest State University, Marshall, MN

Primary concerns of a dropback passing scheme are the capabilities of your passer and the amount of responsibility placed on the quarterback position. At Southwest State University we believe by delegating responsibilities of our passing scheme to our receivers, we have taken some of the pressure off the quarterback position.

Receiver read routes have placed the priority role of execution on the receivers which has been very productive as these athletes are good football players and are more than capable of handling the responsibility. Our objective as coaches then, is to design the play so that we occupy and isolate an area of the field which allows the read receiver the opportunity to get open.

The Z-Receiver or Flanker Read

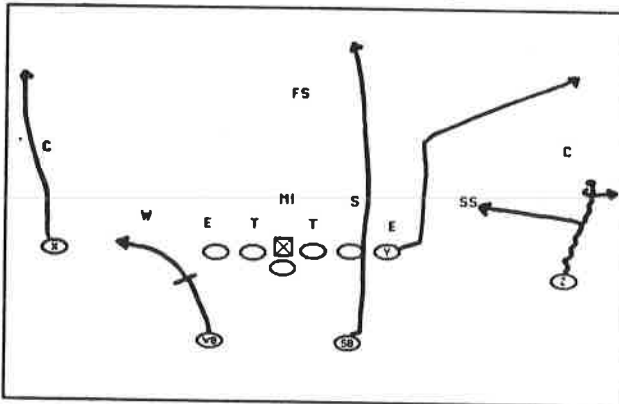


DIAGRAM 1

Diagram 1 shows our Z-receiver executing a read route. The Z-receiver performs a slow release, 1/2 to 3/4 speed, reading the underneath coverage of the defense. If the secondary coverage is a 3-deep zone with the cornerback (CB) exhibiting a cushion and responsible for the deep 1/3 and the strong safety (SS) is responsible for the curl to flat zone, the Z-receiver will hitch at eight yards. If the strong safety moves to cover the flat area, the Z-receiver will slide away from the coverage to an out route (diagram 2). Our Y-receiver releases to the outside attacking the inside hip of the strong safety designed to push the strong safety deep and hold him in the curl zone so he doesn't move to the flat area. The occupation of the strong safety should open a throwing

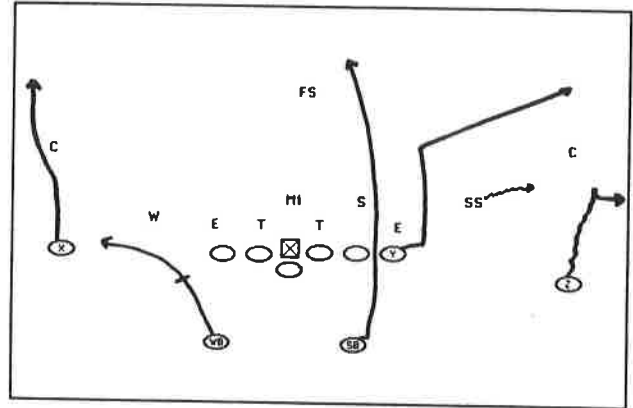


DIAGRAM 2

lane to the Z-receiver. Once the Y-receiver clears the strong safety, he breaks his route to the flag which acts to hold the cornerback in the deep 1/3.

The strongside back (SB) drives down the middle of the field aiming at the outside hip of the sam backer (S) pushing him deep and continuing down field to occupy the free safety (FS). The strong back's role is to push the underneath coverage deep so the Z-receiver may execute the drag option of his read route and occupy the deep middle in case of a 2 deep zone.

The X-receiver stretches the secondary coverage

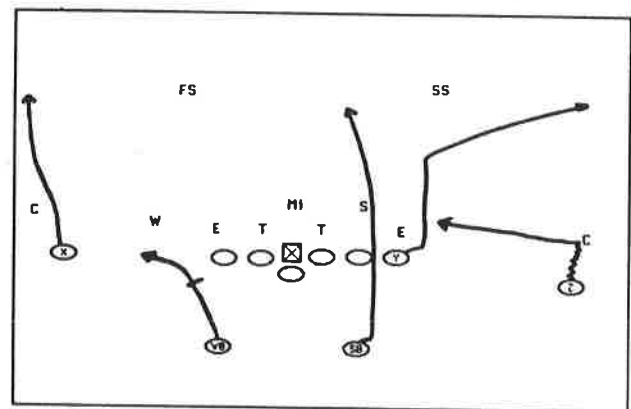


DIAGRAM 3

horizontally as well as vertically with a streak route down the opposite sideline. This streak by the X-receiver along with the routes of the Y-receiver and strong back stretches a 2-deep zone with a 3 on 2 concept in the deep zones.

If we see a press cornerback on our Z-receiver, which is an alignment of 5 yards or less, either

man or zone coverage, the Z-receiver converts his option to an automatic drag route following his slow release (diagram 3). The slow release is important because in a 2 deep - 5 under zone coverage we want to occupy the cornerback (or flat player) before the Z-receiver drags so that the hole route on the sideline to the Y-receiver is there.

This play has been very successful for us versus most coverages by just throwing to the Z-receiver. However, as our quarterback becomes more comfortable with recognizing coverages, he has the option to throw to any of the receivers. Versus a 2-deep zone we think the flag route by the Y-receiver to the hole on the sideline or the strong back down the middle of the field are good routes along with the Z-receiver on a drag to take advantage of the coverage (diagram 4)

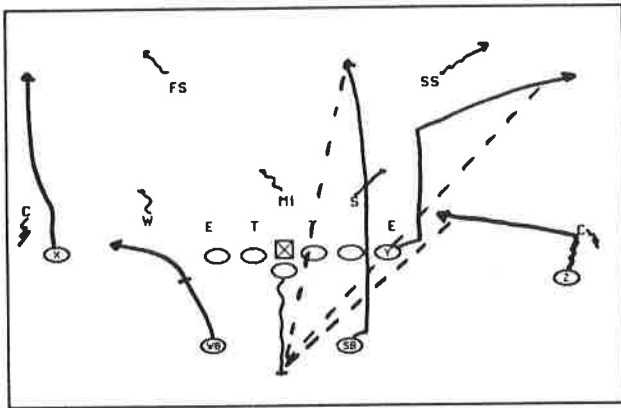


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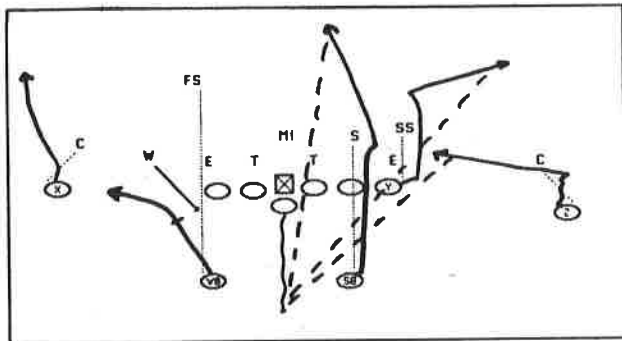


DIAGRAM 5

Versus man coverage, again we think the corner route to the sideline is a difficult route to defend. We also like the possible mismatch in our favor with our strong back running deep down the middle of the field versus a linebacker's coverage (diagram 5).

The X-Receiver or Split End Read Route:

We apply the same concepts as the flanker read in our weak side passing game utilizing the abilities of our X-receiver executing a read route (diagram

6). The X-receiver now performs the slow release reading the underneath coverage with the option

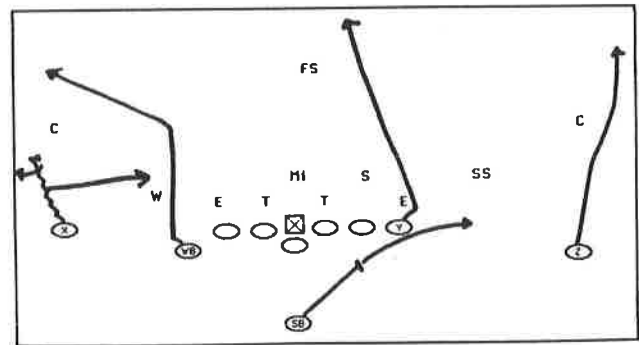


DIAGRAM 6

of hitching at 8 yards, sliding to the out, or running a drag route. Versus a 3 deep - 4 under zone we attempt to throw to the X-receivers on a hitch or sliding to an out. Versus a press coverage by the cornerback the X-receiver's option will convert automatically to a drag route following his slow release. The weak side back (WB) drives at the inside hip of the weak side linebacker (W) pushing him deep and holding him inside so he doesn't move to cover the flat area. Once the weak back has cleared the weak side linebacker, he will break his route to the flag or the hole on the sideline. The Y-receiver runs down the middle of the field pushing the under coverage deep to allow for the X-receiver's option to drag and to ensure a 3 on 2 concept in the deep zones versus a 2 deep coverage. The Z-receiver maintains a horizontal and vertical stretch on the coverage with a streak route up the opposite sideline. As in the flanker read route, our quarterback has the option to throw to

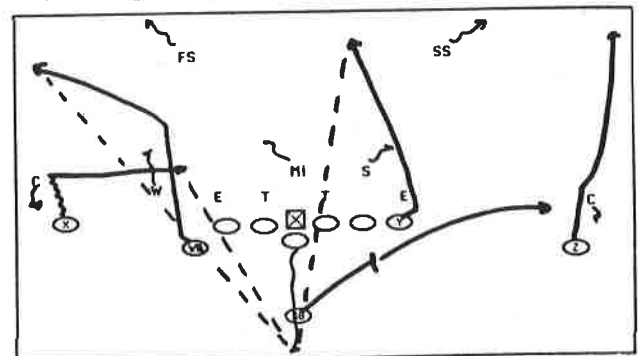


DIAGRAM 7

the hole on the sidelines or down the middle versus a 2-deep zone or man coverage (diagram 7).

The Z-receiver and X-receiver read routes have gotten our wide outs more involved in our offensive scheme making us more productive while dispersing the burden of responsibility to other players and taking some of the pressure off our quarterback.

Defense Anchors Spartans' Season

by Mark Johnson, Head Coach Rocori

About The Author

Mark Johnson is heading into his fourth year as head football coach at Rocori High School with a record of 18-14. He lives in Cold Spring with his wife Nancy and their three children, Emily, Amanda and Zachary.

Johnson played football at North St. Paul High School under head coach Gary Gustafson 1969-71. He graduated from the University of Minnesota-Duluth and played football under head coach James Malosky. Mark was All-Conference and All-NAIA 1973-74 and was selected first team All-American defensive back in 1974.

He has taught and coached at Rocori High School since 1977.

Statistics are not necessarily a true measuring stick, but in this case one need not look further than the stat sheet as to why the Rocori Spartans captured their first Central Lakes Conference football title last fall.

Unlike its inaugural season of 1989 the Rocori Spartans confronted the 1991 season with a lot of returning players with quite a bit of experience behind them. With that experience statistically, Rocori led the CLC defensively in points allowed (48), total yards (1,051), and rushing yards (652).

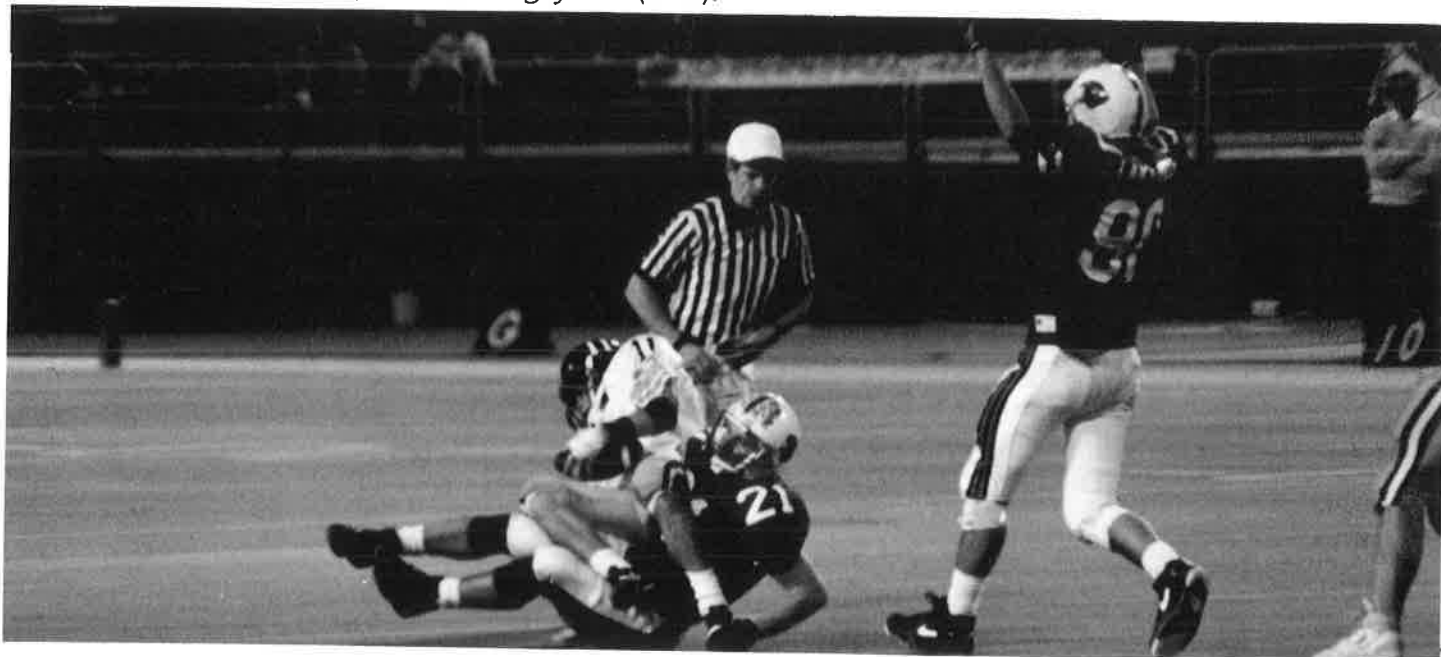
In addition, it had the top quarterback and top two receivers in the run-oriented Central Lakes.

The Spartans, who were second to Brainerd in total offense, first in passing and fourth in rushing, defeated a strong Brainerd team back on October 11 in Brainerd to win the conference championship after coming back from 15 points down to win 16-15.

In terms of total defense, Rocori finished ahead of Willmar and Brainerd in total yards allowed. Against the run, the Spartans yielded just 652 yards. Brainerd allowed 946 and Willmar 992.

During practice time the Rocori Spartans spend more time on their defense than any other aspect of the game. "It's easier to teach and it's more fun for the players. Our philosophy is if you can prevent the other team from scoring, you cannot lose the game," states Johnson. Defensive coordinator Rick Thelsen gets most of the credit for the success of the defense along with defensive back coach Joel Baumgarten. "Playing together as a team, aggressiveness and conditioning are the main things we work on," adds Johnson.

Every good football team has certain characteristics that makes them good. Finally coming together as a team or maybe great physical and athletic talent, but seemingly, maybe it's just the proper chemistry that makes it all happen.



Lakeville's strong safety Jeff Johnson #21 followed by Tyler Krebs #90 sack the Burnsville QB during the AA Prep Bowl.



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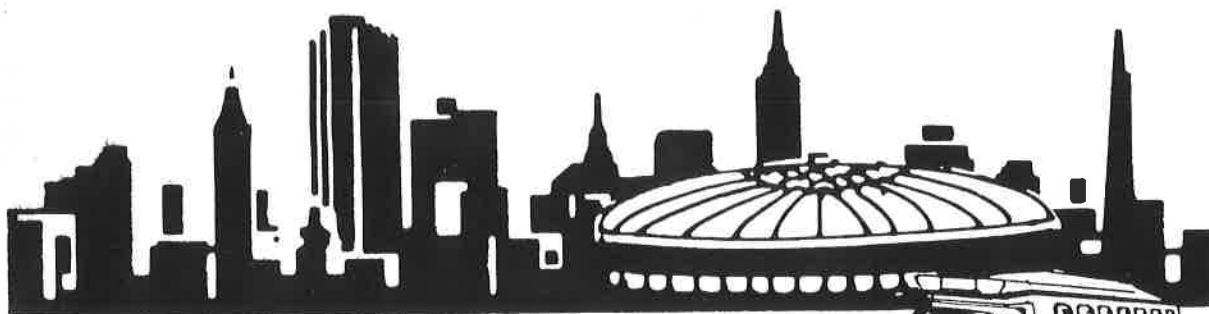
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Richfield Football: A Consistency of Success and Quality!

by Todd Olson, Head Coach Richfield

It is an honor to have this opportunity to discuss football with you. I am extremely thankful to the men who have coached football at Richfield High School. It is because of their professionalism and commitment to coaching young men, that our program has had enough success and recognition that people have sought us out as a contributor to this magazine.

I would like to start with a brief profile and history of Richfield football. There have been 38 varsity seasons with an overall record of 243 wins-109 losses-9 ties. During this time span the school has won 12 Lake Conference football titles, made eight appearances in the AA State Tournament. Richfield has had 23 seasons of six wins or more, only nine seasons have been below a .500 finish. The growth profile has been a dramatic experience of rapid growth followed by steady decline. The school started with 800 students (10-12) 1954-55 growing to a peak enrollment of 3000 (10-12) 1968-72, to a decline of 875 (10-12) in 1991. There now is anticipated growth being predicted over the next 5-7 years.

The main topic of this article could be entitled "Why we are able to do what we are doing." A sense of tradition and history have been established. This is promoted heavily and allows our coaches to demand high quality and performance from our players. It also allows our players a belief that as a member of Richfield football you will be competitive and experience both TEAM and individual success. Subsequently, football is a very positive experience in a player's life.

Our football program believes that there are five key elements or characteristics that we must follow in order for the players to have a chance to be successful. We are going to present this in outline form with points of emphasis.

1. Consistency in the Philosophy and Fundamentals of football –

A. Emphasize tackling: How to! And Why For? Taught in 7, 8, 9 becomes a way of behavior (expectation) 10, 11 & 12.

B. Teach every player "The Need and Form to Run" 7-12. 10 min.-form running progressions that are done every practice, 10 min.-footwork agilities that are done every practice.

C. Tradition or tough, physical and intense

play. This has become a community and program expectation. We do not have to try and teach courage or willingness for contact.

D. Defensive Philosophy: Gap Control- aggressive attack with multiple fronts; locate the football – pursuit with frenzy to it; gang tackle – eleven defenders on the ball carrier. PLAY TO THE WHISTLE!

E. Offensive Philosophy: Option based: inside/outside dive option – create two vs. one somewhere. Run oriented, ball control, time of possession. Multiple formations w/motion and formation shifting. PLAY TO THE WHISTLE!

F. Teach the game and concept of team from a system that is ethical and of high moral beliefs.

2. Consistent commitment and respect to the football program by:

A. Participants-Players – "Desire to become a good Richfield Football Player". Belief in what they are being taught. Love for and thrive on the contact required. Enjoy playing the sport of football. 95% of RHS "Good Athletes" play football. Coaches-Continuity, 3 head coaches in school's history. Quality assistants – excellent teachers with vast knowledge bases. Very player oriented. Philosophical belief in detailed preparation and "working the plan." Tremendous fellowship (hard workers who will play hard).

B. School Administration – Extremely supportive. Proper perspective of football and the educational value that is derived from it. Great stability has complimented our FB continuity.

C. Community – Athletic oriented, rich tradition of competition and success in high school athletics. Very supportive youth program and parent organizations. Sees itself as a "football town".

D. Alumni – Very active and supportive of the current players. High degree of pride and identity for Richfield football. Gives the program a sense of history and tradition.

3. Comprehensive Football Experience: 7th-12th –

A. Genuine respect for EVERY young man participating in Richfield football. Want our players to be "Friend of Football". No hazing or initiation of the younger players. Specific coaching effort is made to try and eliminate or minimize social pecking orders. If we lose a talented player, we feel we

made the coaching mistake and let him down, not the player let us down. Someone could coach that athlete!

B. Facilities and Equipment – Practical, sound and great quality. Fields located at our Junior High, four adjacent and one game field. In the fall "the community" can watch eight Richfield football teams practice between 3:00-5:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday. This is where much of our tradition and pride has a "hidden installation" into our younger players. Varsity Game Field – one of the best cared for fields in the Metro area. Almost exclusively "The Varsity Field." Honor to play on it. Equipment – "Try to purchase and provide the best quality we can afford." 1. Very detailed washing, mending and repairs of all clothing. 2. Systematic reconditioning of all helmets that are being worn. Shoulder pads are cared for in a similar manner. Uniforms – "Basics are the best consistency." Style and colors are consistent throughout our overall school program, 7-12. Clean, crisp and basic. Cardinal helmet with a white face mask. White pants with a cardinal side stripe. Jerseys are solid cardinal or white with "Spartans" on front panel.

4. Overall value toward hard work and effort –

A. Players work hard at and play hard at the development of TEAM. Coaches work hard and play hard, a genuine fellowship grows out of this. "Carelessness and selfishness will beat you every time." "There is no magic. You have to have players that are willing to work". We have a group of EGOS, selfish by nature. In order to become a positive and successful team each of us, coaches and players, must be willing to accept the concept of TEAM and the understanding of their role and responsibility to one another. If we are able to do this then we believe we will have a chance to compete with any opponent.

B. Acknowledgements of people who are of high character and solid work habits. Many times it is skill that is praised and not the person of great character and attitude.

C. Year-round strength training (in-season and off-season). Tremendous facility-space and equipment. First of its kind in the Metro area. Tradition and history of quality equipment. Effort-high expectations. Summer program (9-12 plus alumni). Coach directed and supervised.

D. Promotion of multiple activity participation. Try to become a diverse, multi-dimensional human being.

5. Discipline and Team Expectations –

A. Because of our expectations on commitment, we do not cater to the alleged "New Breed" of athlete, who is self-oriented and self-driven. However, we do not ignore the need for gratification and pleasure, we try to make it a low priority in the athlete's pyramid for success. A common expression in one program is "you'll be alright, in a minute!" This phase gets applied to a wide variety of individual concerns and items.

B. "Discipline is not what you do to someone, it is what you do for someone," Bum Phillips. This attitude from our coaching staff allows our players to remove the need for self-care, they know their coaches will do their best to place them in the best possible position, that will allow them and their team to be successful. The only thing we ask our players is "be willing to be coached."

In summary, these items are wonderful and sound tremendous, many of you may be saying "Well, we do that and that and this." However, what we have found in our self-analysis is that when our success does not meet our expectations or goals, often times we have neglected a facet of our overall program. We believe the detail, effort and commitment must be made to these five major topics. If we do this then the competitors involved in Richfield football will have a chance and maybe even the opportunity to play against the very best that is available that year. Thank you and good luck next year!!!

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Unique Things in Ogilvie Football

by Gene Stritesky, Head Coach Ogilvie

About The Author

Gene Stritesky is a graduate of Silver Lake High School. Graduate of St. Cloud State. Assistant football coach at Emmons High School for three years. Head football coach at Ogilvie High School for 16 years. Overall coaching record 108-53, including 51-8 the past five years.

Football in Ogilvie is a community and family event. The community is very proud of the accomplishments of the football team. The team has always had support, but the past six years have been very special. 1986 was the first year that we went anywhere in the playoffs. We played in the section finals and lost the game we could have won, but the taste was there. The Lions have won the Great River Conference title the past five years and have made it to the section championship game the past six years, winning it three times and advancing to the state semi-finals in 1989 and 1990, losing to Mahnomen both times.

The following by the community to away games and at home is outstanding. Young boys want to be Lion football players: there are some great games going on behind the end zone during the Friday night games. My family also plays an important role in the Ogilvie program. My wife Lynne is the official stat person during and after games. My third daughter will succeed her sisters this season as manager. They also help in the pre-season, getting out equipment, readying the practice field, putting equipment away, as well as normal managerial duties.

As times change coaches must change as well. We do some unique things at Ogilvie. In 1987 the boys wanted to dress and tape to the rock band AC/DC. We went along with it as long as they were prepared to play. The "boom box" is now a standard part of travel equipment. When opposing teams hear our locker room before the game I'm sure they wonder what is going on. But football must be fun and I believe you must be relaxed to play well. Another unusual thing is the pregame. Before we take the field for warmups, I tell a joke or funny story. This started in 1989 after a disappointing opening game loss 7-0 to McGregor. We

were very optimistic about the season, the loss shook the boys' confidence and they were very tight and nervous. As we were going over the pregame talk, I figured something had to be done to loosen them up. So I decided to tell a joke before taking the field for warmups. Luckily it was funny and we had a good laugh, breaking the tension. We won 11 games in a row and made it to the state semi-finals that fall. We have had a story before every game since. I really believe it gets us to the field relaxed and ready to play.

Offensively, we also do things differently than most. We run a lot of the same plays that most teams do, but where we differ is that we spread the ball around. We do not feature one or two backs. I like to get all of our backs involved in carrying the ball. We also send in our plays with a back and in 1990 we rotated two backs on each play. Fortunately we have had enough good backs to do this.

We have had backs that we could feature and some are better than others, but by spreading the ball around, everybody stays involved and when other teams prepare to defend us, they must defend all the backs, not just one. Also at crunch time the opponent may not prepare to stop one play. By showing confidence in all your backs, the lesser talented back will often pleasantly surprise you with some big plays. Another big plus for spreading the ball around is that in the fourth quarter, the backs are fresher and at the end of the season they all will have some carries left in them.

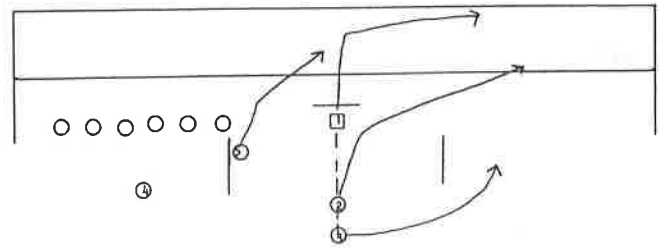
Carry totals for the last three seasons:

1989	Carries	1990	Carries
Peterson	168	Tvedt	104
Oquist	99	Kastenbaur	112
Heins	86	Heins	96
Black	54	Black	59
Griese	47	Forness	57
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Burk	96		
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Schroeder	77		

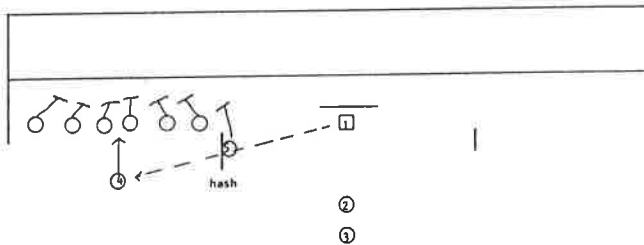
Another thing that we do different at Ogilvie is our two point extra point play. We run the swinging gate as we like to call it. A number of years

ago we played Blake and late in the game we scored to cut Blake's lead to 13-12. We did not have a two point play we felt comfortable with and when our attempt failed we lost the game 13-12. We began an immediate search for an effective two point conversion play. We recalled the swinging gate play that Becker had run against us making us look very bad. We decided to work on its execution ourselves, calling it our "Becker Extra Point". The element of surprise is important as well as execution. The key person is the snapper. He must recognize the defense and decide whether to go over or come back, depending on where the number advantage is. The diagrams show two of the basic options, but there are many other options that could be developed.

Special teams are a big part of a football game and we treat it that way. As a result the special team players know they are out there for a purpose not just to get their quarters.



Option 2: Snap to #3 who has a run/pass option. If the run is there take it.



Option 1: Direct snap to #4 and wedge block into end zone.

We want players to get game action each week. Our numbers have been very good so we play a full junior varsity schedule and the past three years we have been playing a full ninth grade schedule as well. Being a "C" school in a "B" conference means we must be ready to play each week and get as many of our students out for the team as possible. We have been very fortunate to be able to do this. That leads me back to where I started. When large numbers are involved in the game the community is involved and they can all take pride in the football program at Ogilvie.

We are very loyal to our seniors. Players know when they are seniors they will get their chance to play. Players with marginal talent, but who want to play, will do a nice job if you show confidence in them. We really work hard to make sure that we get as many players playing regularly on offense, defense, or special teams each week.

Approaching football a little differently doesn't have to mean making drastic changes in the program. In this case, "different" has had a positive effect on Ogilvie football.



Loren Bitz #20 from Swanville/Grey Eagle gets ready to turn up field vs the Upsala Cardinals. Bitz gained over 2,000 yards his last two years for the Swanville/Grey Eagle Patriots.



#55 Matt Kennedy and #50 Chris Miller of Pine Island attempt to tackle #24 Darin Doherty of Dover-Eyota.

Using Multiple Sets In 9 Man Football

by Dave Krenik, Head Coach Cleveland

About The Author



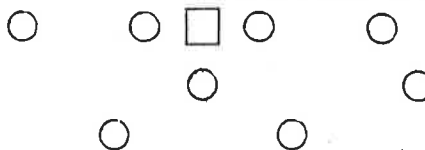
Dave Krenik played high school football in LeCenter and was a starting center at Winona State for four years, graduating in 1975. He received his Master of Arts from Mankato State in 1989. He has coached at Cleveland for the past 10 years. His 1991 team won Cleveland's first football championship in 18 years.

Coaching in a small school forces a coach to adjust his offense more frequently than in a large school where you can work athletes into your system. At Cleveland we have gone from a balanced attack to throwing attack to a running attack and back to a balanced offense. Our personnel has changed, and as coaches, we have had to change. Through evolution we have gone to multiple sets to suit our athletes' skills.

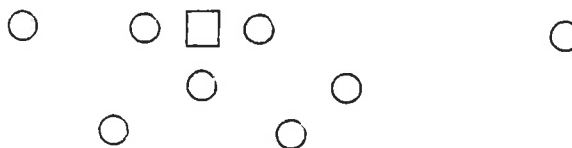
Using different formations has allowed us to use our strengths and keep defenses off balance. We use five different formations but run only a limited number of base plays from each formation. We have four plays we can run from any formation. The key to running from multiple sets is getting your players to believe in what we are trying to accomplish. In using different sets we have been able to play more athletes during a game, and they feel a part of the team. We have been able to use players in a setting in which they can succeed. Players have to be aware of game situations because we may change formations on any given down. In 9 man football, we don't do as much scouting because of distance. We feel we can gain an edge by being more flexible on offense.

Our base offense is a double tight end with a

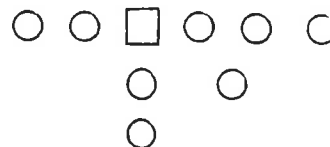
flanker. We run or throw out of this offense and depending on the game, may use this set most of the night. We can use split backs or the I.



Our next set is from a split formation. We use this formation to open up the field or get our wideout in a one on one situation. We use split backs or the I. This set is also balanced and we run or throw from this set.

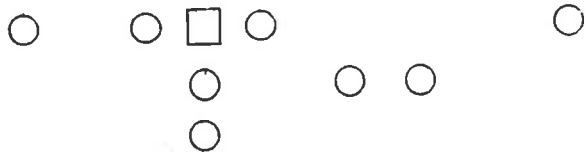


Our short yardage set is used infrequently but has been very effective. It is designed to get three yards at a time but we have been able to break some long runs from this set. Many teams may not adjust to our strength or we may audible to their weakness. We do pass from this set but its primary function is short yardage. We put our six biggest or best blockers on the line toe to toe and go straight at the defense. Our best ball carrier will line up deep and get the ball most of the time.

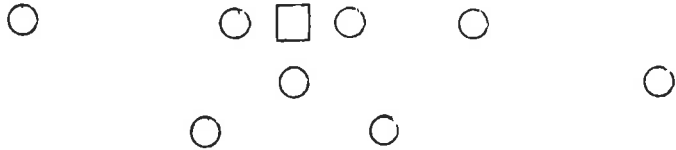


Our trips package has been very effective because we have had an excellent passer and good receivers over the past few years. This set has been great in passing situations but has also been an effective hurry up or no huddle offense. We have many passing routes from this formation, and the quarterback and receiver have options once the ball is snapped. We primarily use quick crossing patterns which may involve any of the four receivers. The big advantage this set has given us is we know where we are going and the defense is forced to react. We run from this formation and have had excellent results rolling out and throwing or running from this set.

The last set we may use is our pro formation. Most 9 man schools play a man to man and in this

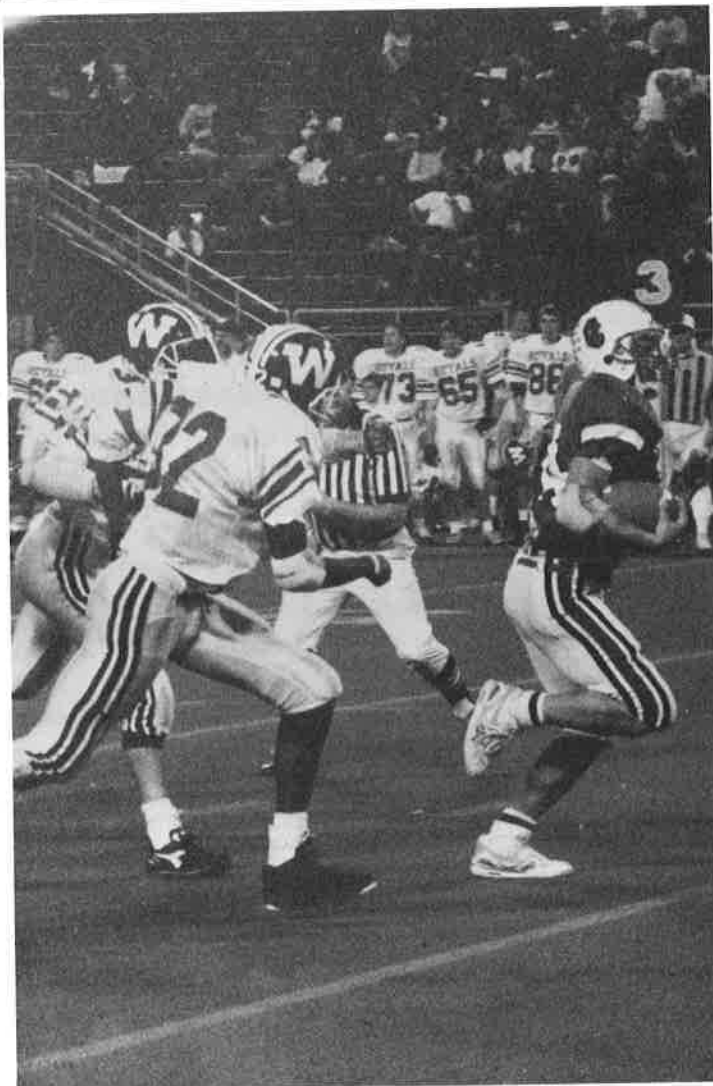


set we can set up a mismatch with a receiver and a D-back. We are able to get our two best receivers on opposite sides of the field and hopefully get a height or quickness advantage on our opponent.



The key to running from multiple sets is making sure you can pass or run from any formation. Your players have to believe in what you are doing and have their heads in the game at all times. Some nights we may only use one or two formations, but some games we have used all five. We always are prepared to take what the defense will give us or use our strengths to take advantage of the defense. High school athletes can learn a lot if we expect them to. Our players enjoy running from multiple sets and a diverse offense. They know we can get more players involved in games and use their individual skills to our advantage.

Coaching high school football is a great profession. Our first goal at Cleveland is to have fun playing football and it's more fun when you win. Running from multiple sets has helped us win and have fun doing it.



Brian Charchenko breaks away from two Woodbury defenders during Stillwaters 34-21 victory.



Scott Studer of Martin County West gets away from John Moore of Maple River on this play but Maple River went on to win this Valley Conference game 26-0. Maple River under the leadership of Coach Jim Swanson went on to win the Valley Conference and then lost to U.S.C. of Wells in the section 2B playoffs 16-14.

Mounds View Gap Control Defense

by Gary Egen, Head Coach Mounds View

About The Author



Gary Egen has been the head football coach at Mounds View High School for nine years. He received his BS Degree from Gustavus in 1966 and his MS from the University of Utah in 1971. He served as an assistant football coach at Buffalo High School under Dick Miller from 1966 to 1970 and at Irondale High School under Bill Beck from 1971 to 1983. The Mustangs have lead the North Central Conference in defense the past three seasons and have won championships in 1989 and 1991. Gary was the head coach for the metro team in the 1990 All-Star Game.

Gary and his wife Mary have three children: Brad (18), Jodi (16) and Andy (13).

I became the head football coach at Mounds View in 1983 succeeding Bob Nelson, the Mustang mentor for the previous 28 years. Although I was confident that I was the man for the job, my first two years our combined record was three wins and 15 losses. Slowly things began to turn around with the help of a great staff, which includes Fred Grimsrud and Dale Nickel coaching the freshmen, Tim White and Rollie Nesheim with the sophomores, and Bob Stewart, Bill Martin and Jeff Schlieff with the varsity. They are all good teachers and this ability is evident on the football field. In addition, Nick Nitti and Gary Paulson served as volunteer coaches last year.

Another boost to our program came when a group of supportive parents headed by Herb King and Don Hewitt formed a group known as the "Light Brigade" which raised money to provide lights, stands and a concession building on our

field. This facility has added a lot of pride to our program.

The past several years we have developed a strong defense, the last three years leading the North Suburban in this category. There are many different ways of doing the job, but we believe in the Gap control 50 package. Ingredients that have helped build a strong defense at Mounds View include the following:

1. Good players - we want to get players who think they should be involved in every play and really get to the football.
2. Elective weight training - Coach Stewart has five classes in which about 85% of our varsity players are enrolled. Along with strength development, speed is emphasized.
3. Scheme that players and coaches understand - we have taught the same package for seven years and feel it gives our players a chance for success.
4. Platoon practice system - Two of our varsity coaches are only coaching defense. Although we have about four players that practice both offense and defense, this has given us twice the teaching time with the majority of our players.
5. System for teaching the scheme - to be successful a sequence should be followed each snap. This starts with having a good stance and being in proper alignment. Getting off the ball and knowing your responsibility comes next. It is important linemen key the offensive lineman's helmet, not the football. Delivering a blow, separating and disengaging are all taught together. These steps are important to a reading defense. Pursuit and tackling are stressed. This is taught through repetition every practice. We feel it is important to use your hands with your pads out, keeping shoulders square and staying on your feet. We also stress to go across the face, which is not a natural thing to do.
6. Make a thorough game plan on our opponent - this will come from two games - one tape exchange and one game we scout.
7. Good practice plan - the practices should be organized and purposeful. Our motto is "Coach on the run and coach them up." We keep talking to a minimum on the practice field and try to be positive at all times. Our defensive practices include team pursuit and tackling every day. We also try to

script our practices as much as possible.

8. Game goals - the goals our team adopted this year include the following:

1. Hold opponent to 14 points or less.
2. Hold opponent under 175 yards running and passing.
3. Force three turn-overs.
4. Allow no gain over 20 yards.
5. 67% success on 3rd and 4th down.
6. Two QB sacks
7. Make a goal-line stand
8. Defensive penalties total 25 yards or less.
9. Score ourselves
10. Win!

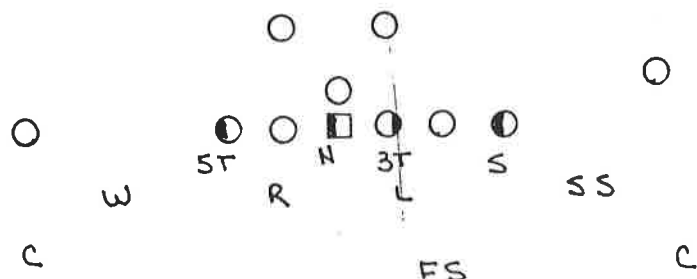
9. Evaluation - Our players grade themselves on Saturday morning from the video tape. Each play is graded: "+1" good job or "0" did not get it done. The player also gets a bonus point if he makes the tackle, causes a fumble, recovers a fumble, tips a pass, or makes an interception. He automatically gets a "0" if he is not in a pursuit route to the football. Our reserves will grade the position they play.

Our base defense is based on each player being responsible for only one gap. It is an aggressive reading defense where the secondary plays out of a 3 deep zone.

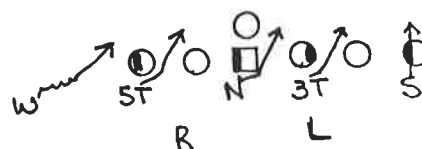
are N, 5T and W. Each lineman must control the gap he is over. Once the gap is secured he may then disengage and pursue the football. Inside LBs key the near back through the guards. W and SS key tight end to the near back. If we call "Mustang", Louie will go to the strength of the formation as is shown in the first diagram. If we call "Field Mustang", Louie goes to the wide side of the field. If we call "Tight Mustang", Louie will go to the tight end side.

Our base coverage in the secondary is a cover 1 which is a 3 deep zone. In cover 2, we are in a 5 under with halves coverage. We may play either man or zone with our 5 under coverage. We also have a nickel coverage where we take Roger (linebacker) out and put in another secondary defender.

Two of our favorite stunts are "slant Louie" or "slant Roger" where the front slants one gap over from their initial gap. We may also call stunts involving the linebackers coming hard into their assigned gap with the lineman into a complementary gap. It is important to break down when you penetrate through your gap and react to the football.

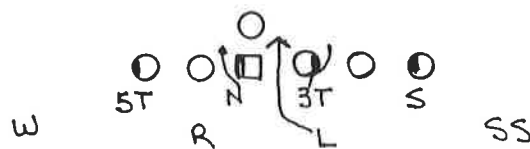


Slant "Louie"



POS	ALIGN	FLOW:		
		TO	AWAY	PASS
SAM	7	C	Trail	Contain Rush
3T	3	B	B Cut-back	Inside Rush
N	1	A	A Cut-back	Inside Rush
5T	5	C	Trail	Contain Rush
SS	#2 Squat	D	Fold	Curl-Flat
	4x4 TE			
L	1	A-D	Backside A	Hook-Curl
R	3	B	Front-side A	Hook-Curl
W	9 vrs TE	D	Fold	Curl-Flat
	Walk-away SE			
C	#1 7-9 Deep	Outside	Outside	Outside
		1/3	1/3	1/3
FS	10 Deep	Middle	Middle	Middle
	C gap	1/3	1/3	1/3
	Strongside			

Louie "A"

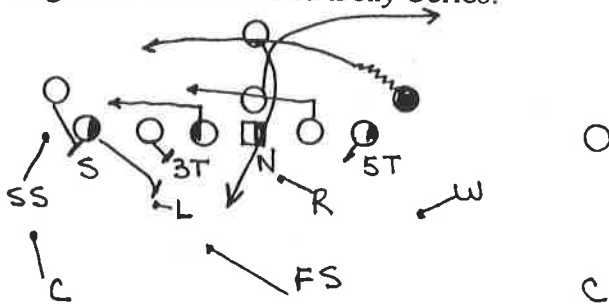


The linebackers make their call. Going to Louie's side are 3T, S and SS. Going with Roger

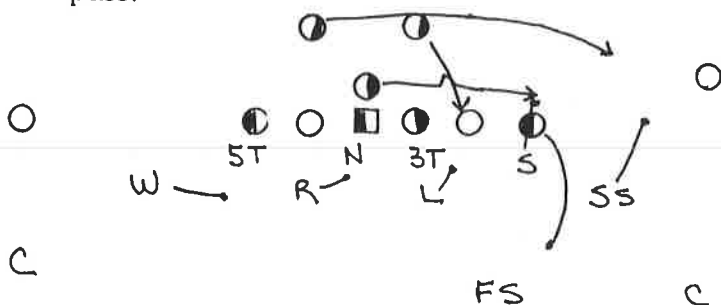
During the first two weeks when we have 2 practices per day, we feel it is important to preview how we will defend the teams that we will see during the season. We start from our base set so we have confidence that we can stop anything from our "Mustang" coverage. We will look at tape

of last year's game, chalk talk, and walk through the sets on the field. I will share some thoughts on stopping 3 offenses.

1. Winged T - We will try to neutralize (crush) the down blocking and protect the linebackers. It is important that the defender stay on the LOS, keeping the shoulders parallel. The inside linebackers will read the quarterback's face or back as to their responsibilities. If they get a face key, they will tackle or mirror the fullback. If they get a back key, they will fill inside out on the second back. I will show the Buck Series. We must also go through the Counter and Belly Series.



2. Veer Option - It is important that everyone knows their responsibility: dive, quarterback, pitch or pass.



W and SS - Pitch

S - Dive if TE base blocks

QB if TE arc releases

5T - five if tackle blocks down

QB if tackle base blocks

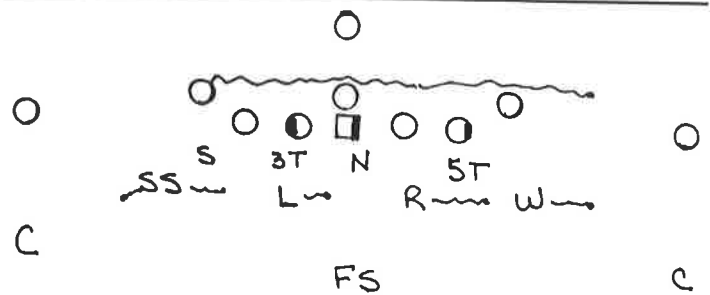
NG and 3T - Dive

L and R - Dive to QB to pitch

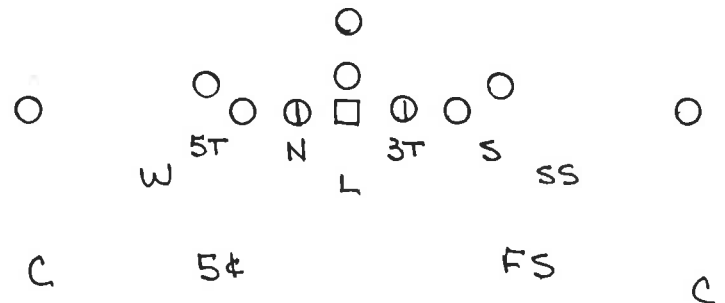
Corners - Deep 1/3, run support when the ball crosses the LOS

FS - Key TE. If he blocks, tackle QB. If TE arc releases - deep middle.

3. Run and Shoot - If you are working with a 3 deep secondary it is important that W and SS understand the concept of vertical stretch. We will adjust to wingback motion with our Roger linebacker. The main point we emphasize is to get a great pass rush.



I will also show our nickel alignment which is better against a one back offense.



We can play quarters or halves coverage with the corners rolled up.

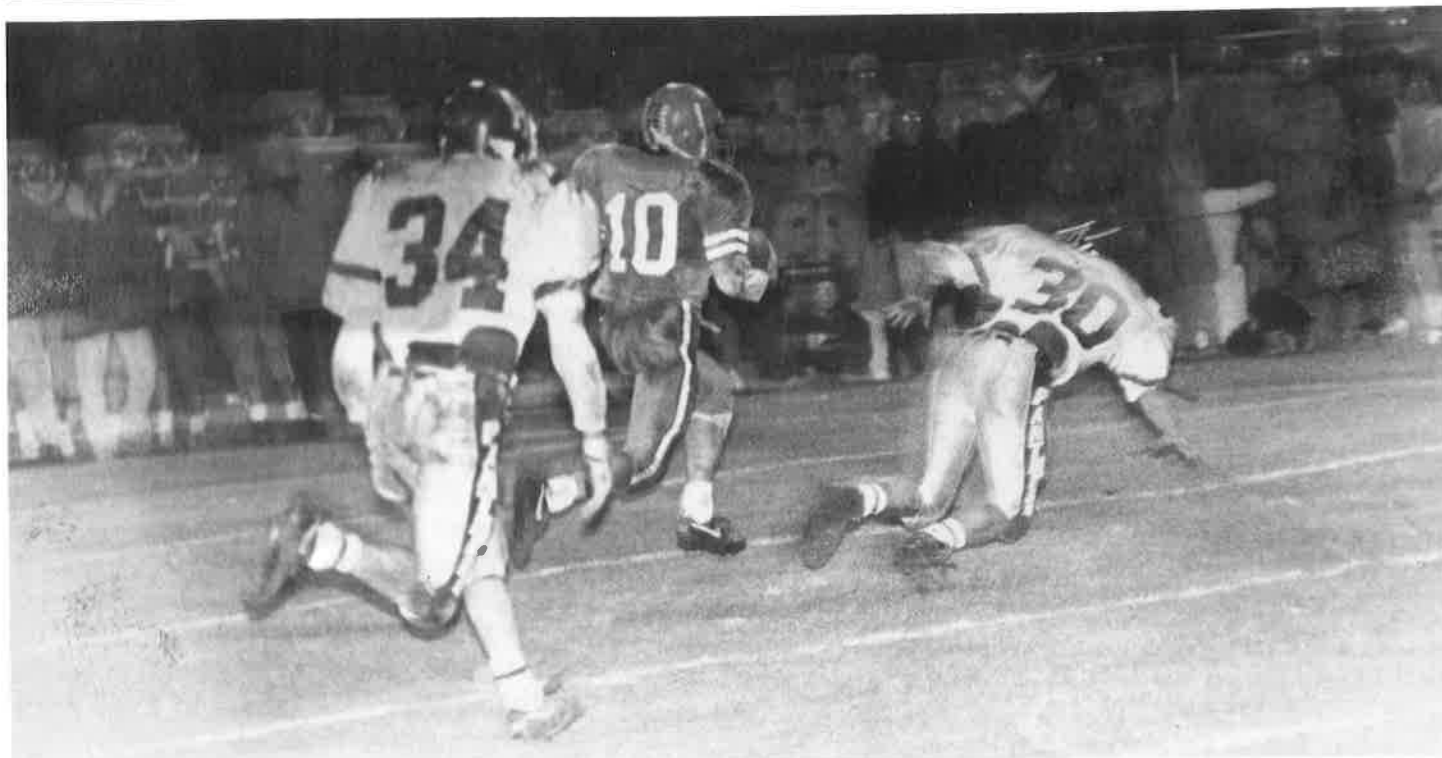
We would like to introduce different offensive sets early so our players get confidence that they can handle anything. A confused player loses his aggressiveness.

Other game situations which should be practiced early are short yardage, long yardage, goal-line, two minute defense, 2 point defense, and adjustment to motion. Also remember to work from hashmarks. The ball is on the hashmarks 2/3 of the game.

I feel our gap control defense offers many advantages at the high school level. But even if you don't run this defense, I hope a couple of ideas can fit into your scheme.



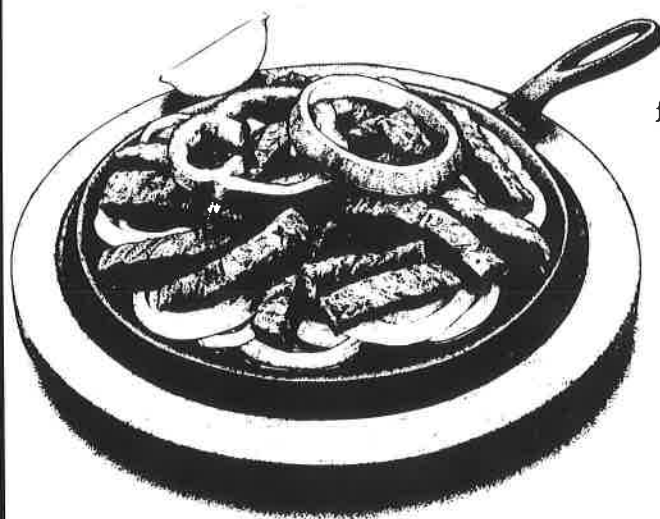
Hawley's Dan Dauner followed blocking for a gain in his team's 30-20 loss to New York Mills.



#30 Scutt Kunz and #34 Eric Murray of Pine Island pursue the elusive #10 Dan King of St. Charles.

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Three Basic Plays That Makes A Running Game Go

by Gary Gillis, Head Coach Storden Jeffers

About The Author



I teach P.E. - Health and Business Ed.

I taught and coached two years at Buffalo, ND, one year at Storden High School and 22 years at Storden Jeffers High School.

We have paired and shared the last five years in which I have been Head Coach, the last two years after assisting Bill White, who is now at Monticello High School, the first three years of our pairing-sharing agreement.

Coaching record is 120-62-1 in 21 years. Have won six Conference Championships and six runner-up teams.

Graduated in 1964 from Grand Forks Central H.S., Grand Forks, ND and 1968 from Mayville State University, Mayville, ND.

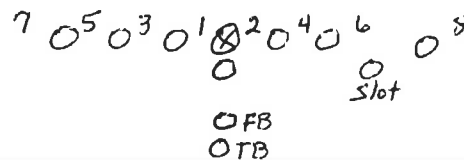
Married to Jennifer Kringler Gillis of Buffalo, ND who is a Kindergarten teacher at Storden Jeffers. We have three daughters, Heather (21) Senior at Mankato State; Janelle (20) Junior at Mankato State; Mandey (10) 5th grader at Storden Jeffers.

These three plays have been with me for my entire 21 years of being a head football coach. Our main offense at Red Rock High School is the slot I formation but we also run from I Wing, Wing I, Pro Set and the Power I formations. These three plays are also incorporated into all these sets also. They are so simple but we've run them when we played 9-Man along with 11-Man in Class C and Class B. With my involvement in girls basketball I became an Assistant Football Coach for three years but I returned to a Head Football Coach for the last two years at Red Rock High

School which involves Westbrook-Walnut Grove and Storden Jeffers. We have been very fortunate to go 9-1 and 8-2 these last two years winning the very competitive Tri-Star conference outright in 1990 and were Co-Champs in 1991 with Mt. Lake-Butterfield Odin.

I will be coaching football for two years at the most and then I am going to enjoy watching my last daughter participate in her fall sport as I missed a great deal of being a parent-spectator with my two older daughters because of coaching football. It is funny how your priorities change the older you get but I do really feel great about all the super young men I've coached in football. I do really regret not watching my older daughters participate in their junior high days and I will not do that to our last daughter.

As I stated before our main offense is the Slot I and we run it at least 50% of the time. This is what our basic set looks like:

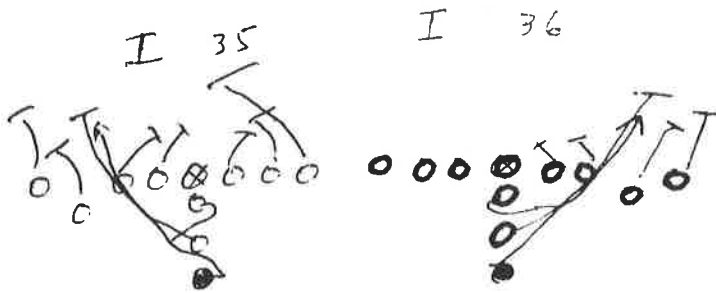


Our line splits are 1 yard between Center-Guard, 1 1/2 yards between Guard - Tackle, 2 yards between Tackle-End.

Our backs are numbered as follows: Quarterback-10, Slotback-20, Tailback-30, Fullback-40.

Everything run right is even and to the left is odd so if we call I34 our Tailback will be running off the G-T gap right and I33 would be the same play left. Our slotback will always line up 1 yard back and outside the tackle to the side we're running to. Now for the 3 plays that we base our offense around.

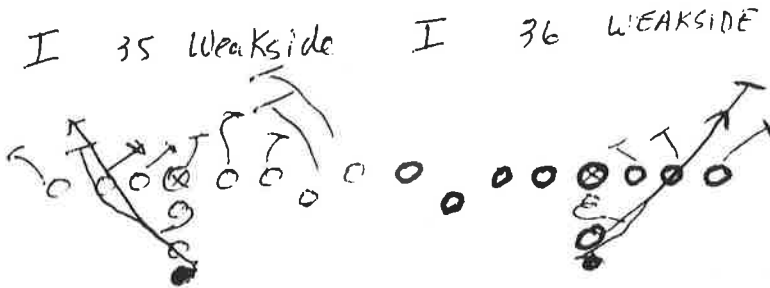
#1. Our favorite and most popular play is our Tailback off tackle. It is called in the huddle as I35 or I36. Slotback is always on the same side we're running to. We like this play because we have simple, basic rule blocking with an extra blocker which is our slotback and we also have a lead blocker in our fullback which gives us a real power off tackle play in an unbalanced way yet we're not in an unbalanced line. It also gives a set in which we can double team very easily or cross-block.



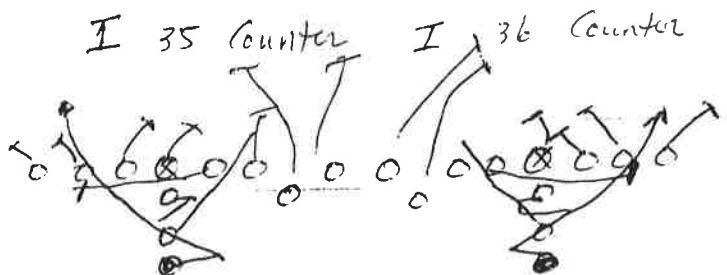
This play has gained more yards than any running play we've ever had in our offense but we also run this play more than any other.

#2. After teams adjust and start overplaying our slot side we will then come back with a simple play and adjustment with a play called I35 or I36 weakside. When our slotback hears weakside he will always line up to the opposite side we're going to run to. Our linemen still only rule block and our FB is still our lead blocker.

* NOTE: We will pull and trap with opposite guard if team really overshifts to tackle hole or slant outside to our tackle on slot side.



#3. Our last play that has been really good to us over the years is also to our weakside and that's the Counter. It's called very simple I35 or 36 Counter. This is also a weakside play so our slotback lines up to the opposite side of the way the play is going. We fake to the fullback going to the slotside - pull our guard and trap the tackle in a 5 or 6 man line or trap the end in a 4 man line. QB



must fake well to FB - QB opens up to fullback (no reverse pivot on fake) and TB takes good jab step the way FB is going then comes back and gets handoff from QB and reads block off trapping guard for his hole.

These are three plays that have been very good to our football program and how easy it is to incorporate into our other offensive sets. We obviously have more running plays than these and we do play action pass a great deal out of our Slot I formation.

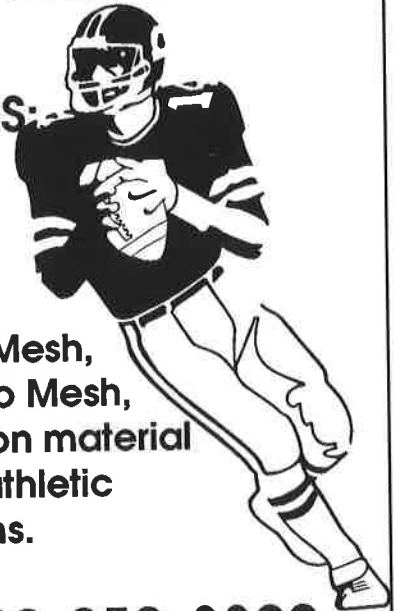
I hope this can be helpful to some of you and I thank Jim Simser of Fairmont H.S. for asking me to write an article in the twilight days of my coaching career. I would also like to thank my great assistants for all the help, pride and time they put in for our program. So thanks, Gary DeBates, Doug Deragisch and Leon Stalls.

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About The Author



Left to right: Wayne Petermeier, Gary Graham and Joe Brisson.

Gary Graham in six years with the Browerville Tigers has compiled a 53-13 record and led the Tigers to a 12-1 record this past season. In 16 years as a head coach Gary has a record of 117-42 with State Playoff appearances the past two years.

At Browerville High School we approach football and all of our extra-curricular activities with a philosophy that is disappearing from the high schools throughout the county. We firmly believe that our extra-curriculars are important enough to be run on a first class basis. We believe that extra-curriculars are educational. We believe that since extra-curriculars are educational, class time missed for extra-curriculars is equivalent to a field trip in any other subject area.

When it comes to our football program I can not take the credit for the things that are done to make our football program a first class operation, but that credit must go to our administration and entire faculty. Browerville's administration makes an investment in our athletes with funds for proper facilities and with hands on labor such as painting our field. Our faculty members work at games and help out in whatever capacity needed with just a token amount of pay. Our faculty is not as concerned about the monetary reward, they are concerned for our school and students. Our custodial staff takes care of our athletic facilities out of pride instead of treating it like an extra job.

"If you want your players to perform like champions you must treat them like champions." We believe that and start with that on day one of our

football program. Here is a list of some of the do's and don't that we believe makes our football players feel good about our program and respond on the field.



Browerville High School Football Field

DO's

1. Provide physicals free of charge to all athletes.
2. Provide up to date safe equipment.
3. Provide standardized practice clothes.
4. Provide free soft drinks after each preseason practice (compliments of your local distributor).
5. Paint your field like your athletes are playing in a super bowl (3-color complete with helmet at midfield and "TIGERS" in 10-yard high letters in the end zones).
6. Surround your field with flags in your school colors on game day.
7. Start playing your school fight song on the P.A. system an hour before game time to let everyone in town know there is a game tonight.
8. Provide adequate lighting for your field.
9. Build a 3-level press box.
10. Provide two practice fields.
11. Water, fertilize and protect your fields all summer long.
12. Provide uniforms second to none.
13. Provide towel and laundry service.
14. Expect your athletes to exhibit behavior becoming an athlete.
15. Run a late bus for after school rides.
16. Have a faculty that works at games because

of school pride, not because the master contract calls for it.

17. Hire experienced coaches at all levels and let them do their job.

18. As administrators support your coaches.

DON'T

1. Charge fees for participation in sports.

2. Make your athletes beg the community for funds.

3. As a faculty divide into supporters of either academics or extra-curricular.

4. As administrators expect first class results without a total commitment to all programs.

5. As coaches undermine fellow coaches programs by demanding specialization by your school's athletes.

6. Treat athletes as 2nd class citizens.



1991 Browerville High School Football Team

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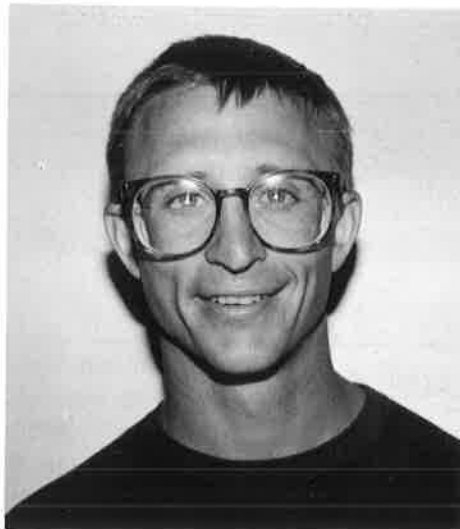
Neal Hofland
Chokio-Alberta
9-Man Coach Of The Year
Minnesota Coach Of The Year



Larry Thompson
Lakeville
Class AA Coach Of The Year



Bob Jackson
Spring Lake Park
Class A Coach Of The Year



Steve Solem
BOLD
Class B Coach Of The Year



Gary Graham
Browerville
Class C Coach Of The Year

John Peterick Of Mahnomen Named Assistant Football Coach Of The Year For The 1991 Season



John is a 1958 graduate of Twin Valley High School where he played 6-man, 8-man and 11-man football. He graduated from Moorhead State College in 1962 with a degree in Mathematics Education. After two years as head football coach at Erskine, John accepted a position at Mahnomen and joined the staff of Tom Rowlette. He worked under Tom until he retired from coaching in 1968.

Ken Baumann moved to Mahnomen in 1969 and together they have been nearly unstoppable. The Mahnomen record over the past 23 years is 215-36-2 including State Championships in 1980, 1990 and 1991. John coaches the offensive and defensive lineman and has developed a group of young men who are willing to pay the price to be good but know that football is just a game and can have fun doing it.

John is a member of the MSHSCA "25 Year Club" and was a recipient of the Butch Nash Award in 1990. He will be an assistant coach in this summer's Kemps Classic All Star Game. John and his wife Janice have six children.

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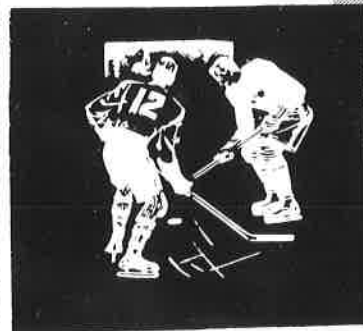


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Distinguished Service Award Winner Bob Roy



The recipient of the 1992 Distinguished Service Award was Bob Roy. Bob follows Bud Olson and Jim Lano in being recognized by the MHSFCA for this prestigious award. Long time service to Minnesota High School Football made Bob a natural for the award.

Bob's coaching career began in Mott, ND, after stops at Fargo, North Dakota State, Crookston and Minneapolis West he landed in St. Louis Park. 19 years later, Bob retired from active coaching after a very successful career. Along the way he totaled 134 victories, won five championships, was selected Minneapolis and Lake Conference, Coach of the Year and in 1978 was selected as the Minnesota Football Coaches Sports Personality. Bob served as Secretary-Treasurer and President of the MHSFCA and also served as President of the State Coaches Association.

Retirement did not mean the end of his involvement in Minnesota football. He spent 19 years as director of the Minneapolis Coach of the Year Clinic, building it into one of the top clinics in the country. He was introduced into the State Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1983 and the Football Coaches Association the following year. Bob was a recipient of the George Hohn Award for service to the State Coaching Association. He remains active as host of the Class AA playoffs and visiting teams for state semi-finals and final games.

Bob and his wife Bev will always be an important part of football in Minnesota and it is a great pleasure to recognize him for his services.

Coach of the Year Award

1965	Bill Severin, Grand Meadow, Region I	1978	Jim Simser, New Richland-Hartland, Region I
1966	Stan Canakes, Edina, Region V	1979	Ron Raveling, Columbia Heights, Class AA
1967	Tom Mahoney, Fairmont, Region II	1980	L.E. Drechsel, Crookston, Class A
1968	Jerry Sullivan, Minneapolis Roosevelt, Region V	1981	Gary Roebuck, Holdingford, Class B
1969	Art Hass, Austin, Region I	1982	George Thole, Stillwater, Class AA
1970	Gary Gustafson, North St. Paul, Region IV	1983	Ron Scott, Coon Rapids, Class AA
1971	George Larson, Cambridge, Region IV	1984	Grady Rostberg, Hutchinson, Class A
1972	George Wemeier, Minneapolis Washburn, Region V	1985	Norm Johnson, Mpls. Roosevelt, Class AA
1973	Dick Lawrence, Eveleth, Region VII	1986	George Larson, Cambridge, Class A
1974	John Drews, Rochester, John Marshall Region I	1987	Dave Brokke, Granite Falls, Class B
1975	Bob Swanson, Mountain Iron, Region VII	1988	Gehardt Meidt, Minnesota, Class C
1976	Lyle Eidsness, St. Peter, Region II	1989	Jim Mader, Albany, Class A
1977	Paul Benson, Granite Falls, Region III	1990	Ken Baumann, Mahnommen, Class C
		1991	Neal Hofland, Chokio-Alberta, 9-Man

MINNESOTA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL
COACHES ASSOCIATION**1992 "Hall of Fame" Inductees
Football Hall of Fame Annual Banquet****Stav Canakes**

Stav Canakes graduated from Minneapolis Southwest High School in 1948 where he was an outstanding all-around athlete in football, basketball, and baseball. He earned All-City, All-Conference, and All-State honors in football and went on to enjoy a great career at the University of Minnesota. Canakes was an All-Big Ten Conference selection in 1953, nominated as an All-American lineman, and played in the North-South College Shrine Bowl his senior year. He then spent six years playing professional football in Canada as a member of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers

Stav began his high school coaching career as a physical education teacher and assistant football coach at Edina High School in 1959. He took over the head coaching reigns in 1961 and was destined to compile a truly outstanding overall coaching record of 203 wins, 69 losses, and 1 tie, including 15 conference championships. Under his leadership, the Edina Hornets were acclaimed "mythical" State Football Champions in 1965, 1966, 1969 and 1971, and after the adoption of the play-offs, officially won the Minnesota State Football Championship in 1978. Canakes was honored as Coach of the Year by the Minnesota State High School Football Coaches Association in 1966 and was selected as the WCCO Coach of the Year in 1967. He served as head coach in the 1979 Minnesota High School All-Star Football Game.

Stav Canakes has been a long-time active member of the Minnesota State High School Football Coaches Association as well as the State High School League Referees Association. He has officiated hundreds of basketball games over the past thirty years at virtually all levels.

**John Hansen**

John Hansen, an outstanding all-around athlete at St. Louis Park High School, entered the United States Navy in 1946 where he played two years of football and basketball and was a member of the Naval Olympic track team in 1948. That same year, John enrolled at Hamline University in St. Paul where he earned three letters in football, two in track, and one in tennis. John graduated from Hamline with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1952 and accepted a position as choir director and head football coach at Osseo High School, which was then a small rural school competing in the Rum River Conference. Over the next 39 years Osseo High School would experience rapid suburban growth while Hansen's football teams would win 257 games, lose 105, and tie 13. Included among his impressive record were 17 conference championships, six sectional championships, and State runner-up in 1986.

A recipient of numerous conference and section Coach of the Year awards, John coached the Metro team in the 1983 High School All-Star Football Game. He is a proud member of the Hamline University Athletic Hall of Fame and has

been chosen Hamline's Alumni Coach of the Year on two separate occasions. A long-time member of the Minnesota State High School Football Coaches Association, John was also inducted into the Minnesota State High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1991.



Warren Olson

A native of Rush City, Warren Olson lettered three years in football at Hamline University in St. Paul where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in history and physical education in 1957. From 1957 to 1961, he taught a variety of high school subjects and served as head coach in both football and baseball at Westbrook, Minnesota.

Warren moved to Brooklyn Center High School in 1961 as a social studies teacher and assistant football coach. He took over as head football coach in 1976 and also became an assistant coach in baseball in 1977. Under Olson's leadership, the Centaurs won seven Conference football championships, reached the State quarter-finals in 1979, and were the Minnesota State Class A Champions in 1982. Warren was twice honored as the Hamline University Alumni Football Coach of the Year and was inducted into the Hamline Athletic Hall of Fame in 1979.

He has held a wide variety of education and leadership roles in his church congregation. He officiated hundreds of high school and college basketball games from 1954 to 1982. Olson is a life member of the Minnesota State High School Coaches Association and was a charter member of the Hamline Piper Athletic Association.

Warren Olson retired as a teacher and coach at Brooklyn Center High School in 1991. A member of the Minnesota State High School Football Coaches Association, he remains actively involved on a part-time basis as an assistant football coach at Hamline University.



Joe Mayer

A native of Dubuque, Iowa, Joe Mayer graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from Loras College in 1957. In addition to his academic achievements, he earned three varsity letters in football and one in tennis.

Joe spent his entire 27 years in the field of education at Rochester Lourdes High School where he helped mold the lives of hundreds of young people. In addition to his 26 years as head football coach of the Eagles, he served at various times as head coach for basketball, track, and tennis as well as holding the position of Athletic Director at Lourdes. Mayer's football teams won "mythical" Minnesota State Private School Championships in 1964, 1966, 1967 and 1969.

In 1979, Rochester Lourdes capped another great season by defeating Apple Valley to win the Minnesota State Class A Championship. Mayer retired from coaching football after the 1983 season in order to devote more time to his duties as Principal at Lourdes. His overall coaching record was 164 wins, 71 losses and 4 ties.

The father of eight children, Joe has found time to be actively involved in many church and civic organizations in Rochester. He has been a member of the Knights of Columbus for more than 30 years. He has also been a member of the Rochester City Council, the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club.



Dan Devine

A graduate of Proctor High School, Dan Devine went on to have a fine career as a student-athlete at the University of Minnesota-Duluth. Devine began his coaching career at Jordan High School in Michigan, where he led his teams to undefeated seasons in 1948 and 1949. He began his college coaching career as an assistant football coach at Michigan State before becoming head coach at Arizona State in 1955. Dan then moved to the University of Missouri where none of his Tiger teams during the 1960s would lose more than three games in any season. Dan moved into the professional coaching ranks in 1971 as head coach of the Green Bay Packers. When Dan left Green Bay in December of 1974 to become the head coach at the University of Notre Dame, he had become the third winningest coach in Packer history.

His record of 173 victories, 56 losses, and 9 ties, as well as seven major bowl wins ranks him among the leaders in all-time collegiate coaching circles. When Dan retired from active coaching in 1980, he received the Frank Leahy Award for distinguished service to the University of Notre Dame.

Dan returned to Arizona State in 1982 to become President of the Sun Devil Foundation. Five years later, President Ronald Reagan named him to the White House Conference for a Drug Free America. He presently lives in Phoenix where he serves as Vice-Chair of the Substance Abuse Commission which works to implement substance abuse programs throughout the city.



George Wemeier

George Wemeier graduated from Macalaster College in St. Paul in 1952 where he lettered four years in football and one year in basketball. As a senior, he was captain of the football team and was named to the All-MIAC Conference football team.

Wemeier spent two years at Braham High School where he served as head coach in football and track and was an assistant coach in basketball. He moved to Patrick Henry High School in Minneapolis as an assistant football and basketball coach in 1957. George became the head football coach at Washburn High School in 1966 and over the next 18 seasons his teams won 131 games, lost 33 and tied 2. During his tenure as head coach, Wemeier's teams won eight Minneapolis City Conference Championships, six Twin City Championships, and won the Minnesota State Class AA Championship in 1972 and again in 1977. Before the start of the State Play-off system in 1972, Washburn was acclaimed the "mythical" State Champion in 1967, 1969, 1970, and 1971. Under Coach Wemeier's leadership, the school also achieved a remarkable string of 60 regular season games without a loss.

In the spring of 1984, George left the high school coaching ranks for the opportunity to join the coaching staff of Lou Holtz at the University of Minnesota. He remained on the Gopher football coaching staff through the 1991 season.

A highly respected coach and close friend of Minnesota High School football for more than three decades, George Wemeier was the 1972 Minnesota State High School Coaches Association "Coach of the Year." He is a life member of the Minnesota State High School Coaches Association and was inducted into the Macalaster College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1991.

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Ralph Anderson
Jerry Dahlberg
Bruce Smith
Marv Helling

1974

Oats LeGrand
Jerry Ekstein
Kenneth "Red" Wilson
Edor Nelson
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1975

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1977

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1978

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1979

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1980

Bruce Bennett
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James Gustafson
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Norm Wagner
Jim Wallace

1981

Lou Barle
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Clayton Tonnemaker

1982

Bob Gove
Wally Hitt
Gary Olson
Don Nyland
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1983

Stan Nelson
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1984

Dick Lawrence
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1985

Don Swanson
Bob Roy
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1986

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1987

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Jerry Sullivan
Angelo Taddie

1988

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Mac Dahl
Art Fredrickson
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Cal Stoll

1989

John Drugg
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1990

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1992

Stav Canakes
Dan Devine
John Hansen
Joe Mayer
Warren Olson
George Wemeier

Academic All State Football Team Concept

Guidelines & Procedures:

- 1) Choose one champion in each class.
- 2) Use 60% of the tournament team number to decide the team G.P.A.
 - AA - 31
 - A - 27
 - B - 23
 - C - 22
 - 9-man - 16

Note:

- Each players name and G.P.A. must be listed.
- 3) In addition, 3 extra players G.P.A.'s will be listed for tie breakers, using them in order.
 - 4) The 4.00 grading system will be used. Other systems must be converted and 4.00 will be the highest possible grade. Grades should be rounded off to 2 decimal places.

- 5) Grading Period: The grades used will be the cumulative grade for each student-athlete beginning with grade nine. No summer school or current fall grades will be used.
- 6) Who is eligible? Only teams with a head coach who is a current member of the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association.
- 7) Teams should be submitted to Class Reps by October 1st, and champions submitted to Committee Chairman by November 1st.

Academic All State Team Committee

Class AA: Mike Barnes, Park Center
 Class A: Lloyd Peterson, Marshall
 Class B: Jerry Wallskog, LeCenter
 Class C: Con Natvig, Swanville (Chairman)
 9-man: Dean Rasmussen, St. Clair

Minnesota Academic All-State Football Player Guidelines and Procedures

A review of the Minnesota State Football Coaches Association's basic requirement for the team are:

- 1) Must be a senior varsity letterman for the current season who is a starter on either offense, defense or kicker.
- 2) The player must have outstanding football and leadership ability plus academic excellence.
- 3) Player must carry a 3.0 (4.0 scale) grade point average in an academic core curriculum in his sophomore, junior and first quarter of the senior year.
- 4) Player shall not have any Minnesota State League eligibility penalties or infractions during his high school career.
- 5) Each class will select a team consisting of the number stated below:

9-man = 11	Class A = 14
Class C = 12	Class AA = 15
Class B = 13	
- 6) The teams will not be selected by position, but the committee will select the top football players of each class who meet the criteria stated above.
- 7) The Coach submitting the player application must be a member of the Minnesota State Football Coaches Association.

Guidelines & Procedures:

- 1) All applications should be typed or printed with correct names and data.
- 2) The selection Committee must have a good summary of not only the player's academic record, but the player's football accomplishments.
- 3) If the first quarter grades are not out for the applicant's senior year, his first quarter senior subjects must be listed.
- 4) All applications must be sent to your Class Academic Team Representative. If you have any problems, contact your Class Representative first. Please check the time deadlines on the application form.

Remember: This is your State's FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION'S endeavor.

Send Your Applications To:

9-man: Keith Swanson, Hoffman-Kensington,
 Fax: 612-986-2987
 Class C: Con Natvig, Swanville, Call 612-547-2431
 and then 612-547-2432
 Class B: George Tuvey, Janesville, No phone
 Class A: Dennis Nigon, Rochester Lourdes,
 507-289-3991
 Class AA: Paul Miller, Apple Valley, 612-431-8282
 Academic Teams Chairman, Frank Fredlund, St. Peter, 507-931-4783

Academic All State Football Team Application

School _____ Class _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Head Coach _____

The following number of candidates may be listed for each class: AA - 31, A - 27, B - 23, C- 22, 9-man - 16; three extra players should be listed also for the purpose of tie breakers. The 4.00 grading system system to 2 decimals will be used, so other systems must be converted. 4.00 is the highest grade used. The grades must be from the past full year; winter and spring of 1991-92.

Applications **must be in** to each Class Representative **by October 1st**. A team champion will be chosen in each class.

Players Name		G.P.A.	Players Name		G.P.A.
1)	_____	_____	18)	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____	19)	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____	20)	_____	_____
4)	_____	_____	21)	_____	_____
5)	_____	_____	22)	_____	_____
6)	_____	_____	23)	_____	_____
7)	_____	_____	24)	_____	_____
8)	_____	_____	25)	_____	_____
9)	_____	_____	26)	_____	_____
10)	_____	_____	27)	_____	_____
11)	_____	_____	28)	_____	_____
12)	_____	_____	29)	_____	_____
13)	_____	_____	30)	_____	_____
14)	_____	_____	31)	_____	_____
15)	_____	_____	32)	_____	_____
16)	_____	_____	33)	_____	_____
17)	_____	_____	34)	_____	_____

Composite _____

Signature of verifying School Official _____

Academic All State Football Application

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Name of Applicant _____ Grade _____

Birthday _____ month _____ day _____ year _____ Height _____ Weight _____

School _____ Coach _____

Circle Class - 9 C B A AA Academic Information

Grade 10 Subjects

Grade 11 Subjects

1st Quarter Senior Subjects

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Pursuant to the provision of PL 93-380 (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974) I hereby grant permission to release a copy of my academic record and GPA average for use by the Minnesota Football Coaches Association in selecting the Academic All State Team.

Signature of Parent or Student Applicant if 18 years or older

PLAYER INFORMATION

Coaches: Please use the following format to submit data for your applicant.

School Background Information:

- 1) List academic honors.
- 2) List other school activities and leadership role in school.
- 3) List other sports with varsity participation.

Football Information:

- 1) Football position: List in order of which player has best demonstrated ability (offense, defense, kicking game).
- 2) List all football honors - previous and this season.
- 3) Statistics (list stats from this season and career totals. Mention any school or conference records. Mention if a line-man has any team stats that may be pertinent to the team's success.

4) Coaches Comment: Please submit a short letter to the Academic Team Selection Committee describing your player in terms of ability, performance, potential character and what makes this football player special.

Time Deadlines:

- 1) All applications must be in the hands of the class representatives by Saturday, November 14.
- 2) Class selection committees must have teams picked by Saturday, November 21, and sent to the Academic Chairman.
- 3) Class Representatives must notify all team selections by Tuesday, November 24.

Send your applications to: (Fax Numbers)

- 9-man Keith Swanson, Hoffman-Kensington, 612-986-2987.
 - Class C Con Natvig, Swanville, Call 612-547-2431 and then 612-547-2432.
 - Class B George Tuvey, Janesville.
 - Class A Dennis Nigon, Rochester Lourdes, 507-289-3991.
 - Class AA Paul Miller, Apple Valley, 612-431-8282
- Academic Teams Chairman, Frank Fredlund, St. Peter, 507-931-4783.

The Butch Nash Award



To the many of us who know him, Butch Nash is the epitome of the ideal assistant coach:

Total loyalty to his school and the head coach.

Hard working - beyond measure.

Integrity in dealing with athletes and especially high school coaches.

Particularly competent in his coaching specialty—defensive ends.

Unique ability to relate to and be supportive of the athlete - their love for Butch is virtually legendary.

Lastly, the many, many years of dedicated service to his university.

It is these much admired qualities that have motivated the Minnesota High School Football

Coaches Association to institute an annual award to be given to those high school assistant coaches who approach the greatness of Butch Nash.

The requirements for selection as a recipient of the Butch Nash awards are:

1) An **active** assistant football coach at the high school level.

2) Although not strictly limited to varsity level coaches, the Executive Committee set a requirement of being an assistant who is a "front liner" - in the limelight, under the gun, recipient of praise or criticism approaching the level of that endured by the head coach.

3) Certainly, a few younger coaches can meet these requirements, BUT in all candor, years of service to a program will influence the selection committee's choices.

The recipients of the Butch Nash award for 1990-91 are:

Tom Chirhart - Becker

Jeff Ferguson - Blaine

Jim Herman - Forest Lake

Dave Jewison - Rochester Lourdes

Jim Rolbiecki - Minneota

Dave Thielman - Richfield

Jack Willhite - St. Louis Park

Richard Zeman - Lakeville

* Head coaches are urged to nominate outstanding assistant coaches for future consideration by the selection committee.



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Central Lakes Conference

Rocori High School won its first ever CLC Championship in 1991. It was a banner year for Rocori football as they completed their first undefeated regular season since 1977 and were ranked as the #1 team in the final Class A poll. However, Rocori was defeated by Spring Lake Park in the Prep Bowl. Leading the Spartans were All-State and All-Conference players Ben Griffin and Luke Frochle along with all conference players Jon Acheson, Troy Stein, Tim Flint, Jim Pohl and Scott Fuchs.

The road to the CLC championship was not easy for Rocori as they had to play the always tough Brainerd Warriors on October 11. In a "game-of-halves" Rocori came out the winner 16-15. Trailing 15-0 after the first half, Rocori came

storming back to score 16 second-half points to win the game and the conference championship. Brainerd had another outstanding season led by running backs Chris Veith (All-State) and Chris French. William finished a respectable third place at 5-2.

1991 CLC STANDINGS

Rocori.....	7-0
Brainerd.....	6-1
Willmar.....	5-2
Monticello.....	3-4
St. Cloud Tech.....	3-4
Little Falls.....	2-5
Alexandria.....	1-6
St. Cloud Apollo.....	1-6

Gopher Conference

It's becoming "old hat" for Conference Champion Waterville-Elysian/Morristown as they again took home the hardware. Coach Jon Bakken finished the conference campaign 6-0, and led the statistical wars with an offensive average of 363 yards per game and the defense with an average of 162 yards allowed per game. Bakken's defense gave up an average of 6.3 points while boasting the individual leaders in rushing, scoring and pass completion percentage.

Taking runner-up honors for the third consecutive season were the Bulldogs of Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton. Coached by George Tuvey, JWP had three ball carriers in the top 10 rushers. Jeff Erdman, coach of the New Richland-Hartland/Ellendale-Geneva Panthers led a team dominated by underclassmen to a 4-2 record in the conference. With great backs and receivers returning, the Panthers are the early season pick to take a run at W.E.M.'s hold on the conference championship.

A very young group of athletes led Bethlehem Academy/Shattuck-St. Mary to a .500 record in the conference. Coach Mark Hanson will return a strong passing attack and several solid defenders in an attempt to break into the top half of the con-

ference standings.

The Medford Tigers, under their consistently winning coach John Gross, struggled through the '91 season, but gained a great amount of experience for many underclassmen.

Jerry Kokoschke, head coach of Blooming Prairie, ended a very successful coaching career on a down note. Injuries and a lack of experienced players kept the Blossoms in the lower half of the conference in '91. Under Kokoschke's leadership Blooming Prairie was a consistent winner and many young athletes learned tremendous lessons in attitude and the value of teamwork.

Glenville/Emmons went winless in the conference mainly due to a problem with the lack of depth. Coach Louie Toulouse fielded a young team that included underclassmen who led the conference in tackles and should improve the chances of the Wolverines next season.

The Gopher Conference will be making some changes in the future, attempting to return to an eight team conference, but for '92 it looks like four Class "B" teams and 3 Class "C" teams will strap it up and return to the battles in one of the most competitive conferences in the state.

Southeast Conference

Only in its first year, the Southeast Conference has shown itself to be one of the best Class C conferences in the state. In 1991 six of the nine teams were ranked in the top 10 at some time during the season.

Southland and Harmony tied for the conference championship followed by Lanesboro, Rushford-Peterson, LeRoy Ostrander, Mabel Canton, Grand Meadow, Preston Fountain and Houston.

Del Elston of Harmony was named the 1991 Coach of the Year. Jim Peters of Harmony was

voted the offensive player of the year and Jim Love of Harmony was voted as the defensive player of the year.

The 1992 season looks just as exciting with a strong field of teams fighting for the championship.

Spring Grove will be the only change in the conference as it fields its own team in 1992. Spring Grove has previously been paired with Caledonia.

Great River Conference

For the fifth straight year, Coach Gene Stritesky's Ogilvie Lions won the Great River Conference. The Lions advanced to the class "C" sectional finals before being defeated 41 to 40 in double overtime by the Kimball Cubs.

Mike Courteau, senior running back, from Hinckley-Finlayson led the conference in rushing averaging 74 yards per game. Ogilvie's Ben Forness was the conference leader in scoring with 66 points, eight touchdowns and 18 extra points. Rush City's Chad Miller was the leading passer, completing 38 passes in 84 attempts for 486 yards and four touchdowns. Jake Allen of Rush City led the league with 18 receptions and Gary Kaunonen of Braham led in receiving yardage with 214 yards. Jason Mielke of Rush City was the leading punter with an average of 36.8 yards. East Central's Jason Best led in kickoff returns with an average of 20.6 yards, and Ben Forness of Ogilvie led in punt returns averaging 20.8 yards. Jason Mielke and Jaken led the league in fumble recoveries with four. Aaron Thompson of

Mille Lacs and Kelly Graham of Ogilvie tied with five interceptions. Ron Nieken of Mille Lacs was the leading tackler with 28 solo tackles.

The league-leading Ogilvie Lions led the conference in rushing, total offense, defense against the rush, and total defense. The Rush City Tigers were tops in passing yardage and the Mille Lacs Raiders led the league in pass defense.

FINAL STANDINGS

	Conf.	Overall
Ogilvie Lions	5-0	10-1
Rush City	3-2	4-5
Mille Lacs	3-2	4-5
Hinckley/Finlayson	2-3	3-5
Braham	1-4	3-6
East Central	1-4	2-6

Coach of the Year, Gene Stritesky, Ogilvie
 Most Valuable Player, Jeremy Tvedt, Ogilvie
 Most Valuable Offensive Player, Jeremy Tvedt, Ogilvie
 Most Valuable Defensive Player, Jorn Pung, Braham



East Central's Jason Best (#31) runs for a long gain against the Braham Bombers (Great River Conference).

North Suburban Conference

The 1991 season was another great year of football in the North Suburban Conference. The North Suburban Conference is comprised of 10 schools: 5 AA and 5 A. The "AA" are: Elk River, Mounds View, Irondale, St. Francis and Buffalo. The five "A" schools are Totino Grace, Fridley, Columbia Heights, Centennial and Spring Lake Park. Enrollments range from Elk River with 1,293 students to Fridley with an enrollment of 538.

The North Suburban Conference again proved to be one of the top football conferences in Minnesota. Mounds View won the conference championship with a perfect record of 8-0. Spring Lake Park finished with a 7-1 record and went on



Spring Lake Park's Scott Moyres kicks a Prep Bowl record 40-yard field goal in the Class A State Championship as Mark Smith spots the ball.

to win the State "A" championship. It was the third consecutive year an NSC team played for the Class A championship. In '89, Totino Grace lost to Albany, in '90 Fridley won the championship and in '91 Spring Lake Park won the title.

The '91 season saw eight teams qualify for section playoffs. Four teams played for section titles: Elk River, Totino Grace, Columbia Heights and Spring Lake Park. Three of those teams made the State Tournament; Elk River lost to Lakeville 31-10 in the "AA" quarter finals, Columbia Heights lost 28-14 to Spring Lake Park in the "A" semifinals and Spring Lake Park beat Rocori 20-0 for the class "A" championship.

Defensively, Mounds View led the league in points allowed by giving up only 37 points. The Mustangs also led in total defense (1,027 yards) and rushing defense (412 yards). Elk River led in pass defense (516 yards). Irondale had the league's

second best defense allowing an average of 208 yards per game.

Spring Lake Park led the NSC in points scored (242). The Panthers also led the league in total offense (2,861 yards) and rushing yards (2,215 yards). Irondale led the league in passing (1,330 yards). Elk River had the league's second best offense, amassing 2,526 yards.

Many outstanding individuals show-cased their talents during 1990. Totino Grace's Mark Erickson led the league in scoring (86 points) followed by Spring Lake Park's Joel Makela (60 points). The rushing title went to Mark Erickson of Totino Grace (916 yards), followed by Columbia Heights' Aaron Johnson (794 yards). Elk River's Ed Pepin



Spring Lake Park's junior halfback Marty Gibson falls forward for extra yardage against a tough Rocori defense.

(1,137 yards) was the league's top passer followed by Irondale's Bryan Guse (1,136 yards). Skip Schaeffbauer of Elk River led the NSC in receiving (29-604 yards), followed by Irondale's Steve Hentges (30-491 yards).

Mark Erickson of Totino Grace was the NSC most valuable player. Mounds View's Greg Roeder was named lineman of the year and Jered Peterson was named the defensive player of the year. Spring Lake Park's Kevin Byl was named the offensive player of the year. Mounds View's Gary Engen and staff were selected the NSC coaching staff of the year. Spring Lake Park's Bob Jackson and staff were named Minnesota's Class "A" coaching staff of the year.

Five NSC players will be playing in the 19th annual High School All-Star Game. Totino Grace will be represented by Mark Erickson (RB), Irondale by Steve Hentges (WR), Mounds View by Greg Roeder (DL), and Spring Lake Park by Kevin Byl (QB) and Mark Smith (FS).

West Central Conference

South Division

The WCC South was won by Lac Qui Parle Valley with a record of 6-0. The Eagles were lead by Coach of the Year Bill Beck and WCC South Most Valuable Player Bobby Beck. In addition to MVP Beck, Paul Pearson of LQPV was named outstanding lineman and Jamie Erickson of Minnewaska Area was named outstanding back. Lac Qui Parle Valley was the conference team leader in both offense and defense.

Individual Statistical leaders were:

- Rushing: Jamie Erickson, Minnewaska Area.
- Passing: Ryan Shea, Minnewaska Area.
- Pass Receptions: Kyle Ross, Morris Area.
- Punting: Bobby Beck, LQPV.
- Punt Returns: Kim Rosendahl, LQPV.
- Kickoffs: Bobby Beck, LQPV.
- Kickoff Returns: Eric Boike, Montevideo.
- Pass Interceptions: Dave Dziengel, Minnewaska Area.
- Scoring: Bobby Beck, LQPV.

WCC South Final Standings

Lac Qui Parle Valley.....	6-0
Minnewaska Area	5-1
New London-Spicer	4-2
Morris Area.....	3-3
Benson	2-4
Montevideo	1-5
Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa.....	0-6

North Division

The WCC North was won by Albany with a record of 7-0. The Huskies were lead by Coach of the Year Jim Mader and WCC North Most Valuable Player Jason Birr. In addition to MVP Birr, Corey Scepaniak of Albany was named outstanding lineman and Mark Grossinger of Litchfield was named outstanding back. Long Prairie was the team leader in offense and Litchfield was the team leader in defense.

Individual Statistical leaders were:

- Rushing: Aaron Neubert, Sauk Centre.
- Passing: Ryan Spanier, Melrose.
- Pass Receptions: Lance Stueve, Melrose.
- Punting: Mike Kalthoff, Albany.
- Punt Returns: Ched Hess, Melrose.
- Kickoffs: Brad Krupke, Paynesville.
- Kickoff Returns: Joel Koopmeiners, Melrose.
- Pass Interceptions: Chris Bolte, Sartell.
- Scoring: Scott Welle, Albany.

WCC North Final Standings

Albany	7-0
Litchfield.....	6-1
Sartell.....	5-2
Sauk Centre	4-3
Melrose.....	2-5
Paynesville	2-5
St. Cloud Cathedral	1-6
Long Prairie	1-6

South Central Conference

by Frank Foldlund, Conference Representative

The 1991 South Central season again provided many close exciting games for the top spot. Blue Earth Area, featuring one of the best football players in Southern Minnesota in Chad Anderson, was on its way to defend its 1990 co-championship with a thrilling 22-21 overtime win over St. Peter. Injuries decreased their chances later on in the season.

Despite losing their outstanding experienced QB Brad Hested for most of the season, Fairmont had a fine team and season. St. Peter had to have an exciting 21-8 Homecoming victory to tie them for the championship.

1992 will find the South Central a 7-team conference. Wells, having been gone for several years, is coming back now known as United South

Central coached by Roger Goerish. All other head coaches will remain with Randy Kuechenmeister at Blue Earth; Jim Simser, Fairmont; Rick VanRoekel, New Ulm; Jerry Johnson, St. James; Frank Fredlund, St. Peter; and starting his 21st year Terry Gilbertson of Waseca.

TEAM STANDINGS

Fairmont	4-1
St. Peter	4-1
Blue Earth Area	3-2
St. James	2-3
New Ulm	1-4
Waseca	1-4

Tri-Valley Conference

by Dean Aurich, Mayer Lutheran

The 1991 Tri-Valley conference season was exciting from start to finish. MPL Lutheran and Randolph did not play conference schedules in 1991, therefore, to help fill schedules each conference school played one other conference school two times in the regular season. Mayer Lutheran and Concordia Academy had to meet each other the first game of the season and the last game of the regular season.

In the first game, Concordia won an exciting game in overtime 19-13. In the final game of the regular season Mayer Lutheran's defense dominated and Mayer Lutheran won another exciting game 9-6. With both Mayer Lutheran and Concordia ending the season with 3-1 conference records they both earned Conference Co-Champion recognition!

For the second year in a row the Tri-Valley Conference has sent a Division I player to the

Minnesota Gophers. In 1990 Craig Wachholz of Mayer Lutheran and Matt Reem of Concordia Academy signed with the Gophers. In 1991, Mark Tangen, a two time conference MVP, signed with the Gophers.

SUMMARY 1991

Mayer Lutheran	3-1 (6-3)
Concordia Academy	3-1 (6-4)
Spa	2-2 (2-7)
St. Croix Lutheran	0-4 (1-7)

* Co-Champs - Mayer Lutheran and Concordia Academy

Tri-Valley MVP – Mark Tangen, Concordia Academy.

Tri-Valley Coach of the Year – Mike Aurich, Mayer Lutheran.

Southern Minny Conference

Conference Summary

Cleveland	4-0	9-2
St. Clair	3-1	9-3
GHECML	2-2	3-6
Goodhue	1-3	2-7
Lyle	0-4	0-9

Cleveland won the 1991 Southern Minny Conference Championship going undefeated through the conference season. Cleveland lead the conference in offensive and defensive average points per game and total offense. St. Clair lead in total defense.

Pat O'Connor of Cleveland was selected as the 9-Man all state quarterback. Pat threw for 20 touchdowns on the season. Andy Dahl of GHECML lead the conference in rushing and Jim Novek of Goodhue lead the conference in receiving. Shawn Kunz of St. Clair lead the conference in scoring with seven touchdowns. Pat O'Connor was selected as conference MVP and Dave Krenik of Cleveland was selected as conference Coach of the Year.

The 1992 season appears to be a great race. The league returns eight of the top nine rushers,

six of the top eight receivers and seven of the top nine scorers. St. Clair may be the favorite but Cleveland will not give up the title easily and GHECML and Goodhue have talented players returning.



Brent Rundle #4 scores a TD on a pass from Pat O'Connor. The game is a section 1 9-man semi final game. Cleveland beat Goodhue.

South Polar League Conference

This was the first year for the new 14 team Polar League Conference. The seven school southern half consisted of Barnum, Carlton, Esko, Marshall, McGregor, Moose Lake Willow River, and Silver Bay. In addition, each school contested two non-conference games against teams from the northern half.

The Esko football team captured the championship in the South with a 6-0 record. Esko scored a total of 256 points and allowed 24 in conference play. Jesse Bertogliat (SR) rushed for 1,009 yards in 110 carries, averaging 8.2 yards per carry. Derek Fredrickson (SR) directed the wishbone offense and threw for 10 TD passes during the season. The Esko defense held the opposition to 539 yards during conference play and intercepted 18 passes with Jon Tan (SR) and Gregg Perich (JR) leading the defensive charge. Allan Bowman (SR) averaged 34 yards per punt.

Barnum finished second with a 5-1 season, only losing to Esko 38-0. Barnum was coached by first year coach Steve Brandt, and should be contenders for next year's championship. McGregor finished third with a conference record of 4-2 and was lead by seniors Jon Miller and Jon Pacer. Miller and Pacer were constant threats in McGregor's wide open passing offense. Carlton finished fourth with a record of 3-3 and was lead by backs Eric Schmitz and Jason Bond. Silver Bay finished fifth with a record of 2-4 and was lead by Sean Koster. Marshall and Moose Lake Willow River were in a rebuilding year and will return most of their teams.

Esko continued on to the sectional finals losing

in O.T. to Deer River in the Metrodome. Esko finished the season with a 9-2 record with a total offense of 3,760 yards and allowing only 1,214 total yards. Esko will graduate 12 seniors.

Next year, many South teams will return many letter winners and three or four teams will make a run for the championship.



Esko Eskomos Jesse Bertogliat and Aaron Hanson celebrate after a touchdown run by Bertogliat in a section 7 playoff game.

Prairie Conference

Submitted by Con Natvig - Swanville/Grey Eagle

The Prairie Conference in 1991 was won by Browerville with a 6-0 record followed closely by Upsala with a 5-1 record.

Brian Gimbel of Browerville was voted the most valuable lineman, and Chris Leners from Upsala was voted the most valuable back. Leners also was selected to the Outstate All-Star Football Team as a linebacker.

Gary Graham of Browerville was Conference and also Section 6-C Coach of the Year. Gary was also selected as Class "C" Coach of the Year and an Assistant Coach for the Outstate All Stars.

Congratulations to Coach Graham and the Browerville Tigers for a great season.

In 1992, Pillager-Motley will join the Prairie Conference to make it an eight team Class "C" league.

FINAL CONFERENCE STANDING 1991:

Browerville	6-0
Upsala	4-2
Swanville/Grey Eagle	3-3
Osakis	2-4
Royalton	1-5
Brandon-Evansville.....	0-6

Twin Cities Suburban Conference

by Dave Nelson, Conference Representative

The 1991 season was a great year for football in the Twin Cities Suburban Conference. The Twin Cities Suburban is made up of Anoka, Blaine, Coon Rapids, Forest Lake, Hill-Murray, Roseville, Stillwater and White Bear Lake. Blaine won the conference championship with a record of six wins and one loss. Two conference teams, Forest Lake and Stillwater, won section championships but lost in the quarterfinal round of the State Tournament.

Forest Lake was the offensive leader in 1991. The Rangers led the league in total offense by amassing 2,881 yards. Forest Lake won the rushing title with 1,872 yards while Blaine led the league in passing yards with 1,058.

Blaine led the conference in scoring defense. The Bengals gave up 82 points through the regular season for an average of 10.3 yards per game. Blaine also led the league in total yards by holding opponents to 1,507. Anoka had the stingiest defense against the run giving up 102 yards per game. Coon Rapids had the best pass defense, while Blaine was the leader in pass interceptions with 15.

Many great individuals were showcased in the Twin Cities Suburban during the 1991 season. Forest Lake's John Toth led the league in rushing with 1,063 yards. Jon Frank of Blaine led the con-

ference in passing with 1,032 yards and 10 touchdowns. White Bear Lake's Bill Perron was voted the Most Valuable Offensive Player in the conference. John DesRoches from Anoka was voted the Most Valuable Defensive Player.

Eight Twin Cities Suburban players have been selected to play in the 1992 Minnesota High School All-Star Game. Joining the Metro Team will be Nathan Hoefler (Blaine), Bill Perron (White Bear Lake), John Toth and Mike Humphreys (Forest Lake), Bart Johnson and John DesRoches (Anoka), and Pat Larson and Mark Holm (Stillwater).



Blaine's Chris Marano (Sr. DT) and Dis McDevitt (Jr. LB) chase down a Coon Rapids running back in Blaine's 24-0 win over the Cardinals.



Dave Christenson #77 and Byron Smith #62 lead the way for All-Conference running back Brad Hannan during the Bengals 27 to 7 Homecoming win over Forest Lake.



Stillwater running back Brian Charchenko fights for yardage during the Ponies' 42-13 victory over the Henry Sibley Warriors. (Photo by Jonathan C. Stillely).

Sea-Range Conference

The 1991 season proved to be a very competitive race in the Sea-Range Conference with five teams competing for the conference championship going into the final game of the season. International Falls, under the guidance of Stu Nordquist, was able to defeat Mesabi East in the final game to win the conference with a 7-1 record. Two Harbors, Proctor and Hermantown all finished with a 6-2 record and Mesabi East ended their conference season at 5-3.

Jesse Lundgren of Two Harbors led the conference in rushing with over 1800 yards. Other outstanding players included Will Grindall, Bob Harala and Chad Larson of Hermantown, Travis Peters and Chad Nyberg of Two Harbors, Derek Parendo, Jody Ruotsalainen and Brian DeDominces of Proctor, Jeremy Kauppi and Wade Hunt of Mesabi East, Willie Beise of Virginia, Dean Schloer of Cloquet and Ryan Unger of Greenway. Rick Coughlin of Two Harbors and Dan Saarela of Mesabi East were selected as Sea-Range Conference coaches of the

year.

International Falls, Two Harbors, Hermantown and Proctor advanced to the four team Section 7 Playoff. In the semi-final round, Two Harbors defeated Hermantown and Proctor upset International Falls. In the Section 7 championship game at the Metrodome, Proctor was able to squeak by Two Harbors to advance to the state quarterfinals.

1991 FINAL STANDINGS

Team	Wins	Losses
International Falls (8-1)	7	1
Two Harbors (7-2)	6	2
Hermantown (7-2)	6	2
Proctor (6-3)	6	2
Mesabi East (6-3)	5	3
Virginia (3-6)	3	5
Cloquet (2-7)	2	6
Greenway (1-8)	1	7
Eveleth-Gilbert (0-9)	0	8

Valley Conference

STANDINGS	CONF	ALL	OFF	AVG	DEF	AVG
Maple River	3-0	6-3	78	26.0	12	4.0
MCW	2-1	6-4	60	20.0	47	15.7
Madelia/Truman	1-2	4-5	51	17.0	51	17.0
LC/WM	0-3	0-8	14	4.7	93	31.0

YARDAGE	OFFENSE			DEFENSE		
	RUSH	PASS	TOTAL	RUSH	PASS	TOTAL
Maple River	561	386	947	148	155	303
MCW	587	301	888	543	199	742
Madelia/Truman	455	107	562	556	235	791
LC/WM	407	104	511	763	309	1072

RUSHING LEADERS	TEAM	ATT	YDS	AVE	TDS
Berhow	MCW	45	325	7.2	5
Haedt	MAD/TRU	57	324	5.7	4

RECEIVING LEADERS	TEAM	REC	YDS	AVE	TDS
Myers	MR	7	162	23.1	1
Tumbleson	MCW	11	131	11.9	0
Herbst	MR	4	100	25.0	2

PASSING LEADERS	TEAM	COM	ATT	INT	PCT	TDS	GMS	YDS	AVE
Swanson	MR	16	35	0	46%	3	3	314	104.7
Studer	MCW	13	24	3	54%	1	3	207	69.0

Three Rivers Conference

The St. Charles Saints and the Pine Island Panthers claimed the Three Rivers Conference title as co-champions in a repeat performance of the 1990 season. Both teams finished with a 6-1 record. For Pine Island it was their third straight title.

A good example of the strength of the conference was the competitive post-season play of Chatfield and St. Charles. Both teams had the privilege to play two games in a dome due to inclement weather.

Although they finished with a 3-5 record in regular season action, Chatfield was able to overcome a #8 seed to win the Section 1-C Championship at the Unidome in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Mankato Loyola kicked a last-second field goal to defeat the Gophers in the state quarter finals at the Metrodome.

St. Charles followed a similar road by defeating Rochester Lourdes in the Section 1-B

Championship game, also at the Unidome. The Saints advanced to the quarter finals at the Metrodome, Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop came from behind in the second half to eliminate the Saints.

The conference will be represented on the Outstate team by Shane Edwards, St. Charles; and Jason Daniels, Chatfield.



#34 Eric Murray of Pine Island is being pursued by #71 John Wendt of Dover-Eyota.



#23 Bob Siebenaler of St. Charles goes for a big gain with #62 Casey Prestegaard of Pine Island in pursuit.

The 1991 Three Rivers Conference standings are as follows:

	Conf.	Overall
St. Charles	6-1	10-2
Pine Island	6-1	7-3
Plainview-Elgin-Millville	4-3	5-5
Dover-Eyota	4-3	5-4
Wabasha Kellogg	3-4	4-5
Chatfield	3-4	6-6
Lewiston-Altura	2-5	3-5
Spring Valley-Wyckoff	0-7	0-8

Missota Conference

The 1991 football season proved once again that the Missota Conference may be the premier Class A league in the state of Minnesota. Chaska, Hutchinson, New Prague, and Northfield were ranked at some point in the class A poll. The powerful Lakeville Panthers were ranked all season in the AA poll and finished second to Burnsville in the AA Championship.

Lakeville again posted a conference championship, continuing the string of six straight titles. Their strong offense was lead by the running of Scott Sievers and Derek McGriff behind the blocking of all state lineman Mike Doughty. Lakeville's great defense posted seven shutouts in eight conference games. Their defense was equally strong against the run and the pass while featuring four all conference players.

The conference season ended in a classic way with two undefeated teams, Chaska and Lakeville battling for the title. Mike McCullough, Chris Erickson, and D.J. Wilker lead Chaska all year and were hoping to upset the Panthers. Lakeville, however, with too much overall team strength won the game 18-0. This was the Channel 11 Spotlight game of the week.

Northfield continued to show great improvement. The highlight of their season being a 31-28 upset of #1 rated Hutchinson and taking Lakeville to overtime before losing 3-0. New Prague, always a constant power, has remained in the upper third of the conference for still another season.

The conference will be represented in the All Star game by four players. Mike McCoullough, one of the top recruited players in the state, along with Chris Erickson will represent Chaska in the game. Scott Sievers and Mark Langevin will represent the Lakeville Panthers. Gregg Schneider, Chaska coach, is a Metro assistant.

In 1992, numerous teams will be trying to dethrone the Lakeville Panthers. Lakeville with 10 returning starters and three Division I players, will again be strong. New Prague, Hutchinson, and Chaska will have outstanding teams with high postseason expectations. Prior Lake, Red Wing, Northfield, Shakopee, Benilde, and Holy Angels will work hard and have the ability to compete for the title.

Congratulations to Larry Thompson of Lakeville, the Class AA Coach of the Year, and Dick Zeman, the Lakeville Defensive Coordinator, who is a Butch Nash winner.

FINAL STANDINGS

	Conf.	Overall
1. Lakeville	8-0	13-1
2. Chaska	7-1	9-2
3. Hutchinson	6-2	9-3
4. New Prague	5-3	7-4
5. Northfield	4-4	4-5
6. Prior Lake	4-4	5-4
7. Benilde	3-5	4-6
8. Red Wing	3-5	3-6
9. Holy Angels	1-7	1-7
10. Shakopee	0-8	0-8

Wright County Conference

by Mike Younggren, WCC Coordinator

Most Valuable Lineman: Kris Kortuem, St. Michael-Albertville, 6'5, 225, Sr.

Most Valuable Back: Brian Vensland, Delano, 5'11, 175, Sr.

Coach of the Year: Merrill Pavlovich, Delano.

The Delano Tigers, under the direction of Merrill Pavlovich, conquered their third consecutive conference championship with a 6 and 1 record, losing only to Annandale 21-20 at midseason. Delano advanced to the section semis where they lost to a powerful Chaska team.



Watertown Mayer's goal line defense stands tall in Wright County Conference action.

Wright County Conference Continued

Coaches Pat Foley of Waconia and Mark Herman of Dassel-Cokato led their team to excellent seasons with 5 and 2 records, finishing tied for second place. Waconia ended their season bowing out to Delano in the first round of playoffs. Dassel-Cokato highlighted their year by defeating top seeded Lac Qui Parle in the first round before losing in the second round.

The Royals of Watertown-Mayer began with a dismal 0 and 4 start only to finish 4 and 4, rushing for 300 plus yards in each of their final four regular season games. Jordan handed the Royals their season ending blow in section playoffs.

Statistics do not reflect any one outstanding player, but rather the parity of the conference.

Scoring Leaders: Kurt Becker, Sr, St. Michael-Albertville, 65 pts.; Brian Vensland, Sr. Delano, with 60 points

Rushing Leaders: Eric Wenger, Sr., St. Michael-Albertville, 682 yards; Mike Bailey, Jr., Waconia,

619 yards

Passing Leader: Mitch Wacker, Sr., Glencoe, 60 of 118 for 699 yards.

Receiving Leaders: Dan Seaberg, Sr., Annandale, 19 for 314 yards; Tony Stockman, Sr., Glencoe, 25 for 310 yards; Chris Ketcher, Sr., Watertown-Mayer, 22.2 per catch.

Coaches pick Delano, Waconia, Annandale and Dassel-Cokato as the top contenders for the '92 campaign.

91 Season Records - Conference Only

Delano	6-1
Dassel-Cokato	5-2
Waconia.....	5-2
Rockford	4-3
St. Michael.....	4-4
W-M	3-4
Annandale.....	3-4
Glencoe	2-5
Howard Lake-Waverly	0-7

Minnesota River Conference

by Terry Turek, Conference Representative

Team	MRC	Overall
Jordan	6-1	8-3
Sibley East	6-1	6-3
Le Sueur - Henderson	5-2	6-4
Belle Plaine	4-3	5-5
Loyola	3-4	9-5
LeCenter	3-4	4-5
Montgomery	1-6	1-7
Norwood	0-7	1-7

The co-champions of the MRC made dramatic turn arounds from the previous year's finishes. Jordan, under head coach Jim Trapp, had been 2-7 in 1990 and then went on to share the confer-

ence title, and an 8-3 overall record for 1991. Sibley East, a consolidation between Arlington-Green Isle and Gaylord, finished the '90 campaign at 2-6, before being led by head coach Dave Main to their first conference championship and an overall record of 6-3. Mankato Loyola made a turnaround of its own kind during the 1991 season. After finishing 3-4 in the MRC Loyola won five playoff games to reach the Class C state championship game before losing to state champion Mahnomon.

The playoffs saw the MRC teams spread over three classes and five different sections. Loyola experienced the most postseason success with their Section 2C title and State Runnerup finish. Jordan finished second in Section 5B. Belle Plaine and Le Sueur-Henderson made it to the semifinals in Sections 3B and 2A respectively, while the quarterfinal round ended the seasons of LeCenter in 2C, and Sibley East in 4A.

Minnesota River Conference Coaches Awards:

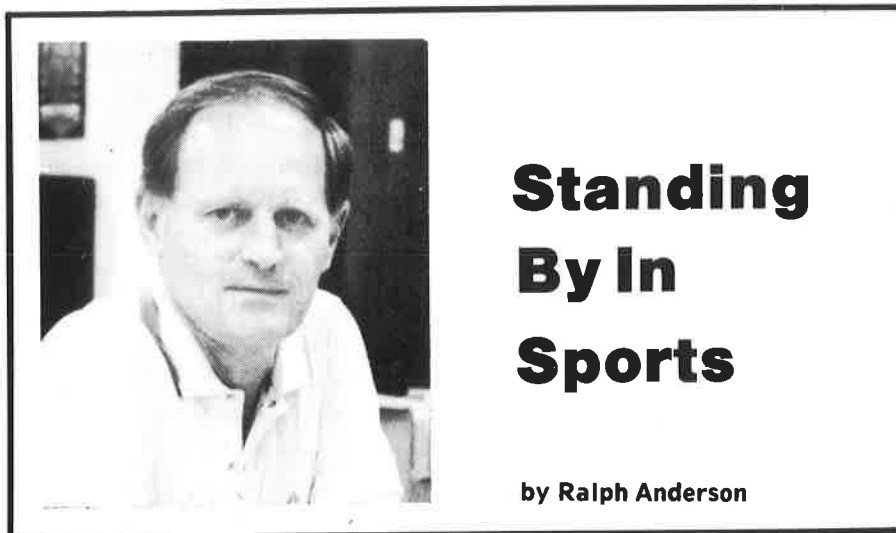
Most Valuable Lineman: Mike Schneider, OT/DT, Senior, Sibley East.

Most Valuable Back: Bruce Klehr, RB/LB, Senior, Jordan.

Coach of the Year: Jim Trapp, Jordan.



Norwood QB Pat Kohl tries to evade LeSueur-Henderson DE Matt Peterson.



Standing By In Sports

by Ralph Anderson

Two repeat in Prep Bowl X

Two schools repeated in the five Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) football championship games at Prep Bowl X played at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome in Minneapolis on Friday, Nov. 29, 1991.

The repeaters were BOLD (Bird Island-Olivia-Lake Lillian) in Class B and Mahnommen in Class C.

BOLD, which defeated Minneapolis De La Salle 15-14 for the 1990 championship, stopped Deer River 14-0 to win the 1991 title.

Mahnomen, a 27-7 victor over Becker in the 1990 Class C title game, blanked Mankato Loyola 42-0 to win its second successive championship.

Other state champions of 1991 included Chokio-Alberta in Class 9-Man with a 7-6 win over Grygla/Goodridge, Spring Lake Park in Class A with a 20-0 triumph over Rocori and Burnsville in Class AA with a 10-7 victory over Lakeville.

Class 9-Man

A failed two-point conversion attempt was the key play in Chokio-Alberta's 7-6 win over Grygla/Goodridge.

Chokio-Alberta's Jon Hallman, who rushed for 92 yards, scored on a 2-yard run in the second period and Eric Tomoson followed with a successful conversion by placement to give his team a 7-0 lead.

Grygla/Goodridge, however, mounted a drive late in the game that was culminated with an 11-yard touchdown run by Mitch Bernstein with 9:43 to play. Bernstein, however, was stopped short on a 2-point conversion attempt and the 7-6 score stood.

The game was a defensive battle in which the two teams managed to make just 374 yards in total offense.

Class C

Speedster Jason Miller (5-7, 170) who is headed for North Dakota State University in Fargo to play his college football, gained 252 yards in 27 carries and scored four touchdowns to lead Coach Ken Baumann's Indians to their second straight Class C football crown.

Mahnomen scored one touchdown in the first and fourth periods and tallied twice in both the second and third quarters in rolling to its victory.

Miller finished his high school career with 5,394 total yards gained by rushing and gained 164 yards in the first period alone in the championship game. His 252 yards by rushing and four touchdowns are both new Prep Bowl records.

The sticky Mahnomen defense checked Mankato Loyola with only 112 yards in total offense and limited Loyola to only one first down in the second half.

Mahnomen out-scored its three state tournament opponents 135-6 in winning the 1991 state Class C championship.

Class B

The play of the special teams was a key to BOLD's state championship victory over Deer River.

The winning Warriors scored on a 35-yard punt return by Chad Gomarko in the second period and added an insurance touchdown in the third quarter when Jason Harrier intercepted a pass and returned it 30 yards for a TD. Melvin Maddock

kicked point after both scores.

Tailback Jamie Steffel was the offensive leader for BOLD as he carried 17 times for 80 yards. He finished his senior season with 1,687 yards by rushing.

Several of the players on the title-winning BOLD team were on the squad that won the 1990 state championship. BOLD dropped an 8-7 decision to Granite Falls-Clarkfield in the fourth week of the 1991 season and then swept to the state title. One of its tournament victories was by a 33-6 score over Granite Falls-Clarkfield.

Class A

Spring Lake Park became the seventh of nine Anoka County high schools to win a football championship when the Panthers swept to the Class A title by blanking Rocori 20-0.

Joel Makala ran for 69 yards and scored two touchdowns and Scott Muyres added two successful PAT attempts by placement and field goals of 40 and 38 yards to complete the Spring Lake Park scoring.

Spring Lake Park was able to mount long, sustained drives and took advantage of Rocori mistakes in winning the championship.

Other Anoka County schools to win state football titles include Totino-Grace, Columbia Heights, Coon Rapids, Blaine, Fridley and Anoka. The only Anoka County high schools that have not won a state football crown are Centennial and St. Francis and both have played in the state tourney. Centennial reached the Class A title tilt in 1984 and lost to Hutchinson.



Jason
Millor



Les
Drechsel



George
Larson



Harvey
Shew

Class AA

A 23-yard field goal by Matt Johnson with 3:19 left in the third period proved to be the deciding score in Burnsville's 10-7 victory over Lakeville for the Minnesota Class AA grid title.

Lakeville pulled ahead 7-0 in the first period on a 1-yard run by Matt Hammond, followed by Nate Rasmussen's PAT conversion, and Burnsville tied

the score in the second period when Bob Keeney and Tony Deldotto combined on a 20-yard scoring pass and Matt Johnson kicked the point after.

It appeared that Lakeville was driving for the winning score late in the game when it marched 69 yards in 12 plays only to fumble and have Burnsville's John Doyle recover on his own 11-yard line. Burnsville then ran out the clock to seal its three-point victory.

The state championship was the fourth for Burnsville, which previously won Class AA crowns in 1980, 1985 and 1989. Burnsville lost to Stillwater in the 1984 title clash.

Crookston's Drechsel retires

One of Minnesota's best-known high school football coaches—Les Drechsel—retired at the close of the 1991-92 school term at Crookston Central High school.

Drechsel, who was a standout football player at Fergus Falls High School and Bemidji State University, logged 35 years as a high school football mentor in Minnesota, the last 21 at Crookston.

In addition to coaching at Crookston, he coached two years at Parkers Prairie and 12 at Ada.

Well known among his contemporaries by the nickname of "Drex," he was named Minnesota High School Football Coach of the Year after the 1980 season when his Crookston team finished 13-0 and captured the Minnesota Class A Football Tournament championship.

His overall coaching record was 212-90-9 and only four coaches still active when he retired had more victories than him—George Larson of Cambridge, John Hansen of Osseo and George Smith of Mahtomedi.

Drechsel, who also was athletic director at Crookston Central, had four undefeated teams at Ada and Ada lost just one game in two other seasons under his direction before his move to Crookston.

In addition to being named Minnesota's Football Coach of the Year after guiding his team to the 1980 Minnesota Class A title, Drechsel received numerous additional laurels. He is a member of the Hall of Fame at Fergus Falls High School and Bemidji State and also is a past president of the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association.

Replacements appointed

With the retirement of Les Drechsel, the Crookston school board has voted to divide the football coaching/athletic director duties at the school between two people.

Todd Selk, whose father (Larry) is the athletic director at East Grand Forks High School, is the new Crookston athletic director, while David Kuehn, an assistant football coach under Drechsel for seven years, is the new head grid mentor of the Pirates.

Selk, a member of the Crookston staff for seven years, said he was "excited about the opportunity" to succeed Drechsel. His duties have also included being a business education instructor, freshman football coach, head boys' track coach and an assistant boys' basketball mentor.

He is a graduate of East Grand Forks High School and the University of North Dakota.

Kuehn, a computer teacher at the school, is a graduate of Wahpeton (N. D.) High School and Jamestown (N. D.) College. The new head coach of the football Pirates has announced that the rest of the coaching staff will remain the same as it was under Drechsel.

Shutout-less streaks are snapped

Detroit Lakes High School's 19-0 loss to Rocori

in the 1991 Minnesota Class A Football Tournament semi-final round ended a couple of long shutout-less strings for the Lakers and for Head Coach Rick Manke of Detroit Lakes.

The shutout was the first sustained by a Detroit Lakes High School football team since 1984, it was the first time a Rick Manke-coached Detroit Lakes team had ever been blanked and it was the first time a Manke-coached football team had been held scoreless since 1982.

Detroit Lakes High School had not been held without a point in a football game since the fourth game of the 1984 campaign prior to the Rocori shutout and the last time a Manke-coached team had been held without scoring was in the third game of the 1982 season when he was head grid mentor at Glyndon-Felton High School.

The Laker string of consecutive games without scoring reached 77 before the loss to Rocori and Manke's string of having a team being held without a point stretched out to 105 before the Nov. 23, 1991, loss at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome in Minneapolis.

Detroit Lakes High School's string of games in which it scored points was started in Dick Reidberger's final season as head coach in 1984. Manke came to Detroit Lakes from Glyndon-Felton to start the 1985 season.



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The streak of 77 successive games without being held scoreless for Detroit Lakes High School football teams eclipsed the former record of 51 which was established during the 1952-58 seasons. Marv Helling, Jim Gustafson, Billy Bye and Marlow "Red" Davidson were Laker head football coaches during that era.

Black steps aside at BDRSH

Rod Black, a veteran member of the coaching staff at Belview-Danube-Renville-Sacred Heart (BDRSH) retired with the close of the 1991-92 school year.

While perhaps best known as a boys' basketball coach, Black—a graduate of Danube High School and Westmar College at LeMars, IA—did serve as a head football mentor early in his teaching/coaching career.

He was head football mentor when he first joined the Danube High School staff and also served as a head baseball coach at the school. His career coaching record in basketball was 389-183 and three of his Danube High School teams played in the Minnesota State High School Tournament. One of his star athletes was Bob Bruggers, who went on to play football at the University of Minnesota.



Rick
Manke



Dick
Riedberger



Howie
Kangas



Terry
Knauf

Now it's Shew Field

The former Roosevelt Field at Franklin Junior High School in Brainerd has been re-named in memory of the late Harvey Shew.

Mr. Shew, who died in 1989 and who is a member of the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Hall of Fame, was a member of Franklin Junior High's first seventh-grade class and later served 15 years as Franklin's principal.

A graduate of Brainerd High School, he was a three-time all-conference football player at St. Cloud State and later coached football at both Brainerd and Little Falls. He helped organize the wrestling program at Brainerd and was one of the organizers and served as the first president of the

Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association (in 1956-57).

Supt. Robert Gross of the Brainerd Public Schools served as master of ceremonies for the program at which the field was named and Mr. Shew's widow (Audrey), his sister (Betty Cain), his daughter (Cheryl Drake) and four grandchildren all attended.

"I think Harvey would be very, very pleased and proud of it," said Audrey Shew about the decision to name the field in memory of Mr. Shew.

Perham names Kangas, Knauf

The appointments of Howie Kangas as head football coach and Terry Knauf as activities director have been approved by the Perham School Board.

Kangas, a member of the Perham Public Schools staff for the past nine years, succeeds Fred Sailer.

Knauf, who owns a clothing store (Terry's Clothiers) in Wadena and who is a well-known high school athletic official, succeeds Bob Wilkowski. Wilkowski's title was athletic director, but it becomes activities director under Knauf, who will have supervisory duties at all the school's athletics and fine arts events.

A graduate of Frazee High School and Concordia College in Moorhead, Howie Kangas says his Perham teams "will come out battling and won't yield an inch."

Perham is a member of the Heart O'Lakes Conference in football.

In addition to being Perham High School's head football coach, Kangas also is the head baseball coach at the school.

Sailer, who served as head football coach of the Yellowjackets for six years after succeeding Wilkowski, becomes the school system's director of administrative services, which includes community services and facility planning.

His Perham teams had an overall 32-27 record and the best club was the 1989 team which compiled an overall 12-2 record and reached the Minnesota State High School Class B championship game before losing (27-15) to Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop.

The quarterback on that 1989 Yellowjacket team was Charlie Nelson, now a member of Coach John Anderson's University of Minnesota baseball team.

Knauf, a graduate of Glyndon High School and

Concordia College in Moorhead, has a master's degree in school administration from the University of Minnesota.

Following college graduation, he taught and coached at Detroit Lakes for seven years and he has been in the clothing business at Wadena for the last 12 years.

A well-known high school athletic official, Knauf says his officiating duties will be curtailed considerably when he takes over his new duties. He added, however, that he plans to remain involved in rules interpretation clinics which he conducts for the Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL).

Wilkowski, Knauf's predecessor, is a graduate of Perham High School and the University of Minnesota-Duluth (UMD) and has been named as assistant principal of Perham Junior High School.

"The position of assistant principal will basically be a continuation of what Bob has been doing as the dean of students here at Perham," explained Supt. Dennis Drummond of the Perham Public Schools.

Supt. Drummond also announced that the school system has added two new elementary teachers who will be involved in various coaching capacities.

They are Brian Schwantz, a graduate of Bertha-Hewitt High School and Moorhead State University, and Matt Naugle, a graduate of Moorhead High School and Moorhead State.

Schwantz has been on the staff of the Worthington Public Schools for the past two years and was an all-conference football player at Bertha-Hewitt and Moorhead State.

Naugle's father (Darrel) is a former head football coach at Waubun High School and Park Rapids High School.

Klinke named at Northland

Gene Klinke, a former assistant football coach at Fosston High School and Win-E-Mac High School, has been named as the head football coach at Northland Community College in Thief River Falls for the 1992 season.

He will fill in for Rick Nelson, who is taking a one-year leave from his duties as teacher/coach/athletic director at Northland to further his educational opportunities at the Fargo-Moorhead Tri-College (Concordia, Moorhead State University, North Dakota State University).

Klinke, who graduated from Fosston High School, attended Northland for two years and

earned his bachelor's degree at Valley City (N. D.) State.

A feather in their hats

Members of the Heart O'Lakes Conference can take pride in the caliber of play in that particular league.

When Mahnomen and Breckenridge advanced to the semi-final round of the 1991 Minnesota High School Football Tournament, it marked the third successive year in which the Heart O'Lakes circuit has had two teams in the semi-final round.

Mahnomen and Perham were semi-finalists in 1989 and Mahnomen and Frazee were in the MSHSL grid tourney semi-final round in 1990.

Bemidji's Kavanagh retires

Ray Kavanagh, who served 23 years on the staff of the Bemidji Public Schools, retired with the close of the 1991-92 school year.

He joined the Bemidji faculty in 1969 after serving 12 years as head football coach and teacher at Roseau and was assistant football coach under Red Wilson upon moving to Bemidji.

Kavanagh then was the Lumberjacks' head football mentor from 1973-86 and compiled a 94-41 overall record. Overall, his coaching record at Roseau and Bemidji was 141-89-9.

During his first 18 years at Bemidji, he also taught social studies and for the last five years he was the activities director for the school system.

A graduate of Moorhead State University, Kavanagh's best records at Bemidji were 9-1 in both 1975 and in 1985.



Ray
Kavanagh



Gary
Berg



Fred
Sailer



John
Davies

Hansen among retirees

Among Minnesota high school football coaches retiring at the close of the 1991-92 school year was John Hansen, the veteran head grid mentor at Osseo.

He was one of the state's winningest coaches and served 40 years as a head coach upon retiring.

Another head football coach retiring with the close of the 1991-92 school year was Jerome Kokoschke of Blooming Prairie.

Chalmers, Grant appointed

Chris Chalmers and Mike Grant have been appointed as the new head football coaches at Albert Lea High School and Eden Prairie High School, respectively.

Chalmers replaces Dennis Baldus, who has moved into school administration, while Grant resigned at Forest Lake and succeeds Chuck Rogers at Eden Prairie.

Another head football coach resigning at the close of the 1991-92 year was Alexandria High School graduate Tom Ellison, who resigned his grid duties at Brandon-Evansville High School.

Also resigning his football coaching duties after the past season was Dave Nelson at Ashby High School.

Hennings replaces Berg

Gary Berg has resigned his head football coaching duties at East Grand Forks High School and has been replaced in that position by Dave Hennings, formerly the team's defensive coordinator.

Berg, who held the job for 17 years, will remain on the East Grand Forks staff and also will remain as head boys' track coach at the school.

Under Berg, East Grand Forks had an overall 76-84 record, although the Green Wave's mark was 11-33 for the last five years.

"As a coach, you're supposed to be able to accept defeat," Berg said upon resigning the position. "But the skin is only so deep after five years of losing records."

Berg's best teams were in 1982 when the Green Wave finished 9-4 and gained the Minnesota Class A championship game before losing to Brooklyn Center and in 1985 when East Grand Forks finished 11-2 overall and gained the semi-final round of the state tournament.

Hennings, Berg's successor, is a graduate of North Dakota State University in Fargo and has been on the East Grand Forks football coaching staff the last 14 years.

The new Green Wave coach said there will be no drastic changes in philosophy and added the

team will still run the option.

The biggest change, according to Hennings, will be the fact that Gary Berg will no longer be on the sidelines.

Brainerd rated best

Brainerd High School repeated as the No. 1 team in the Northern Minnesota Football Rating made by Jim Carrington, sports editor of the Bemidji Pioneer.

Rounding out the top 10 teams, in order, were Detroit Lakes, Grand Rapids, Proctor, Fergus Falls, International Falls, Two Harbors, Hermantown, Moorhead and Thief River Falls.

Mahnomen was rated best in the Class B/C division by Carrington and Goodridge/Grygla topped the Class 9-Man division.

The value of the Metrodome

It became apparent during the 1991 football tournament season that the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome in Minneapolis was an extremely beneficial facility.

A late-October snowstorm hit the state and caused many section tournament title games and state quarter-final games, as well as the semi-final and championship games, in the state tourney to be shifted to the Metrodome.

Without such a facility, it might have been impossible to play some of those games.

Manke in exclusive company

When Detroit Lakes High school captured the 1991 Mid-State Conference football title, Head Coach Rick Manke of the Lakers joined some exclusive company.

He became just the eighth coach in the 37-year history of the league to guide two or more teams to Mid-State football championships.

The all-time leader is John Davies of Crosby-Ironton, who led the Rangers to 10 championships (or ties), while Andy McCarty of Park Rapids hung up five titles.

Tom Honek guided Staples and Staples/Motley to four grid crowns, while coaches to direct teams to three outright or shared championships include Dick Riedberger of Detroit Lakes, John Conzemius of Wadena and Ted Thompson of Crosby-Ironton.

Manke joins Elmer Salvog of Aitkin in having directed teams to two Mid-State football championships.

Coaching changes

Several changes in head football coaching positions in Minnesota high school circles have occurred since the close of the 1991 season.

They include the following:

Albert Lea—Chris Chalmers, a former assistant under Bill Webb, is the new head coach.

Blooming Prairie—Mike Olson has replaced long-time head coach Jerry Kokoschke, who will concentrate on teaching and farming.

Eden Prairie—Mike Grant, formerly of Forest Lake, replaces Chuck Rodgers.

Forest Lake—Jim Herman, who was the defensive coordinator under Mike Grant, moves up to the head coaching position.

Osseo—Craig Hansen, formerly an assistant, succeeds John Hansen, who retired after 39 years.

Redwood Valley—Rick Ellingsworth resigned his football coaching duties to become superintendent of schools at Redwood Valley. The new head football coach is Dennis Stoterau, who also is the school's head wrestling coach.

St. Cloud Apollo—Mike Lucia, who has served as defensive coordinator at St. Cloud State University, is the new head grid mentor, succeeding Pat Mullen, who will stay on as freshman

coach.

Win-E-Mac—Donnie Nelson replaces Russ Horacek, who will stay on staff as a teacher.



Hawley's Andy Knorr (44) provided blocking for a teammate in playoff game with New York Mills.



Rocori players stopped quarterback Jason Soyring of Detroit Lakes in Class A Football Tournament semi-final game at the Metrodome.



Runningback Wade Whitworth of Detroit Lakes was hemmed in by opponents as he tried to find running room.

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Detroit Lakes players celebrated after defeating Fergus Falls (14-13 in overtime) to win Class A Section Eight Tournament title at the Metrodome.

1992 All-Star Football Teams

Outstate Kemps Classic All-Star Team

Pos.	Name	School
RB	Jesse Lundgren	Two Harbors
CB	Corey Nelson	Luverne
LB	Ben Griffin	Rocori
LB	Chad Desjarlais	Breckenridge
QB	Bobby Beck	Appleton
WR	Matt Ness	Agassiz Valley
CB	Chris LaVigne	Cook County
QB	Jay Beck	Austin
FS	Scott Sommers	New Richland
SS	Joel Landkammer	Springfield
CB	Jason Ziebarth	Cambridge
FS	Brian Drent	Worthington
DE	Walter Binger	Cambridge
WR	Andy Nordeen	Elk River
RB	Jason Miller	Mahnomen
RB	Jamie Steffel	Bold
FB	Shane Gunderson	Faribault
RB	Jason Daniels	Chosen Valley
SS	Curt Behrns	Kasson/M'ville
TE	Heath Olson	Mabel/Canton
FB	Mark Grossinger	Litchfield
CB	Joey Aul	Owatonna
TE	Luke Froehle	Rocori
LB	Al Flanders	Austin
OC	Bryan Boll	Crookston
LB	Chris Leners	Upsala
OT	Kurt King	Brainerd
OC	Jerid Schoeck	Hancock
OG	Chris Steichen	Lourdes
OT	Shane Edwards	St. Charles
OG	Jeremy Rychlock	Grygla/Goodrich
LB	Kevin Graves	Hermantown
OT	Jody Ruotsalainen	Proctor
OT	Victor Robinson	Deer River
DT	Keith Kinnunen	Esko
OT	Chris Bergstrom	Warroad
NT	Chris Grothe	Eden Vly/Watkins
OT	Jeff Nelson	Detroit Lakes
OT	Kris Kortuem	St. Michael/A'ville
DE	Ryan Tangen	Win-E-Mac
DE	Mike Detert	Fairmont
NG	John Winter	Waubun

1992 OUTSTATE COACHING STAFF

Head Coach Steve Solem - Bold
 Assistants: Steve Knox, Austin; Steve Ott, Deer River; Gary Graham, Browerville; John Peterick, Mahnomen

Metro Kemps Classic All-Star Team

Pos.	Name	School
RB	Mark Erickson	Totino Grace
QB	Kevin Byl	Spring Lake Park
QB	Ryan Davis	Richfield
QB	Bill Perron	White Bear Lake
WR	Steve Rosga	Cretin/D-Hall
LB	Jason Harris	Highland Park
DB	Bart Johnson	Anoka
DB	Mike Humphreys	Forest Lake
DB	James Cheatham	Woodbury
DB	Mark Spencer	Highland Park
DL	Jamal Clark	Hopkins
RB	Kevin Grussing	Hopkins
WR	Steve Hentges	Irondale
RB	Chris Hawkinson	Orono
LB	John DesRoches	Anoka
RB	Aaron Swanson	Wayzata
RB	Scott Sievers	Lakeville
DB	Mark Smith	Spring Lake Park
RB	John Toth	Forest Lake
LB	Scott Miller	Tartan
LB	Dave Burkholder	St. Thomas
DL	Graham Gnos	Jefferson
TE	Pat Rourke	Rosemount
DB	Raylen Hicks	Edison
LB	Mark Langevin	Lakeville
OC	Bill Teas	Osseo
DL	Gordy Morrison	Henry Sibley
DB	Mark Tangen	Concordia Acdmy.
DL	Greg Roeder	Mounds View
LB	Colin Brown	Breck
OC	Adam Golla	Cretin/D-Hall
OL	Chris Erickson	Chaska
LB	Troy Schmidt	Orono
OL	Jason Westbrook	Simley
DL	Pat Larson	Stillwater
DL	Mike McCullough	Chaska
OL	Nathan Hoefler	Blaine
OL	Mark Holm	Stillwater
OL	Paul Hayek	Edina
OL	Duncan Schwensohn	North
DL	Mike Olson	Farmington
TE	Mark Jelinek	Wayzata

1992 METRO COACHING STAFF

Head Coach Mike Grant, Forest Lake
 Assistants: Paul Herzog, Humbolt; Jack Moynagh, Como; Gregg Schneider, Chaska; Jeff Ferguson, Blaine

1992 FOOTBALL PLAYOFF FORMAT SECTION ASSIGNMENTS

Class AA (71 Teams)

Section 1AA (8)

Albert Lea
* Austin/Austin Pacelli
Faribault
Lakeville
Owatonna
Rochester John Marshall
Rochester Mayo
Winona

Section 2AA (9)

Hastings
Henry Sibley, West Saint Paul
North, N. Saint Paul
Park, Cottage Grove
Saint Thomas Academy,
Mendota Heights
Stillwater
Tartan, Oakdale
White Bear Lake Area
Woodbury

Section 3AA (9)

Cretin-Derham Hall, Saint Paul
Irondale, New Brighton
Mounds View
Roseville Area
Saint Paul Central
Saint Paul Como Park
Saint Paul Harding
Saint Paul Highland Park
Saint Paul Johnson

Section 4AA (8)

Anoka
Blaine
Champlin Park
Coon Rapids
Forest Lake
Osseo
Park Center, Brooklyn Park
Saint Francis

Section 5AA (9)

Minneapolis Edison
Minneapolis North
Minneapolis Patrick Henry
Minneapolis Roosevelt
Minneapolis South
Minneapolis Southwest
Minneapolis Washburn
Richfield
Saint Louis Park

Section 6AA (9)

Apply Valley
Bloomington Jefferson
Bloomington Kennedy
Burnsville
Eagan
Eden Prairie
Edina
Hopkins
Rosemount

Section 7AA (9)

Bemidji
Brainerd
Cambridge
Duluth Central
Duluth Denfeld
Duluth East
Grand Rapids
Hibbing
Moorhead

Section 8AA (10)

Alexandria
Buffalo
Elk River
Minnetonka
Robbinsdale Armstrong
Robbinsdale Cooper
Saint Cloud Apollo
Saint Cloud Tech
Wayzata
Willmar

Class A (85 Teams)

Section 1A (11)

Cannon Falls
* Elgin-Millville/Plainview
Farmington
La Crescent
Lake City
New Prague
Northfield
Prior Lake
Red Wing
Stewartville
Waseca

Section 2A (11)

Blue Earth Area
Fairmont
* Jasper/Pipestone
Luverne
Mankato East
Mankato West
Marshall
New Ulm
Redwood Valley (Redwood
Falls-Morton)
Saint Pater
Worthington

Section 3A (10)

Academy of the Holy Angels,
Richfield
* Benilde-Saint Margaret's
Saint Louis Park/Groves
Academy
Brooklyn Center
Columbia Heights
Hill Murray, Maplewood
Mahtomedi
Saint Paul Humboldt
Simley, Inver Grove Heights
South Saint Paul
Totino Grace, Fridley

Section 4A (11)

Chaska
Dassel-Cokato
Delano
Glencoe
Hutchinson
Monticello
Mound-Westonka
Orono, Long Lake
Shakopee
Sibley East, Arlington
Waconia

Section 5A (11)

Centennial, Circle Pines
Chisago Lakes, Lindstrom
Foley
Fridley
Milaca
Mora
North Branch
Pine City
Princeton
Sauk Rapids
Spring Lake Park

Section 6A (11)

Albany
Annandale
Lac Qui Parle Valley, Madison
Litchfield
Melrose
Minnewaska Area, Glenwood
Montevideo
New London-Spicer
Rocori, Cold Spring
Sartell
Sauk Centre

Section 7A (10)

Cloquet
Crosby-Ironton
Eveleth-Gilbert
Greenway, Coleraine
Hermantown
* Indus/International Falls
Mesabi East, Aurora
Proctor
Two Harbors
Virginia

Section 8A (10)

Crookston
Detroit Lakes
East Grand Forks
Fergus Falls
Little Falls
Park Rapids Area
Perham
Staples Area
Thief River Falls
Wadena-Deer Creek

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Class B (85 Teams)

Section 1B (11)

Blooming Prairie
Byron
Caledonia
Hayfield
New Richland-Hartland-
Ellendale-Geneva
Pine Island
Rochester Lourdes
Saint Charles
* Spring Valley/Wyckoff
Wabasha-Kelllogg
Zumbrota-Mazeppa

Section 2B (11)

GFW, Winthrop
Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield
Jackson
Lake Crystal-Wellcome Memorial
* Madella/Truman
Maple River, Mapleton
Martin County West, Sherburn
Saint James
* Springfield/Comfrey
United South Central, Wells
Windom Area

Section 3B (11)

* Bethlehem Academy/
Shattuck-Saint Mary's,
Faribault
Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton
Jordan
Kasson-Mantorville
Kenyon-Wanamingo
LeSueur-Henderson
Montgomery-Lonsdale
* Saint Croix Lutheran/West
Lutheran
Saint Paul Academy & Summit
School
Triton, Dodge Center
Waterville-Elysian-Morristown

Section 4B (10)

Benson
B D R S J H, Renville
B O L D, Olivia
* Chandler-Lake Wilson/Slayton
Granite Falls-Clarkfield
MACCRAY, Clara City
Morris Area
* Red Rock (Storden-Jeffers/
Westbrook-Walnut Grove)
* Sanborn-Lamberton/
Wabasso
* Tracy Area/Balaton

Section 5B (11)

(The) Blake School,
Minneapolis
Breck, Golden Valley
DeLaSalle, Minneapolis
Mayer Lutheran
Minnehaha Academy,
Minneapolis
Norwood-Young America
Rockford
Saint Anthony Village
Saint Bernard's, Saint Paul
Saint Michael-Albertville
Watertown-Mayer

Section 6B (10)

Atwater-Grove City
Becker
Big Lake
Eden Valley-Watkins
Holdingford
Howard Lake-Waverly
Long Prairie
Paynesville Area
Pierz
Saint Cloud Cathedral

Section 7B (10)

Aitkin
Braham
Chisholm
Deer River
East Central, Sandstone
Esko
Hinckley-Finlayson
* Mille Lacs Raiders (Isle/
Onamia)
* Moose Lake/Willow River
Pine River-Backus

Section 8B (11)

Bagley
* Barnesville/Rothsay
* Battle Lake/Henning
Breckenridge
Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton
Frazee
* Greenbush-Middle River/
Badger
Pelian Rapids
Roseau
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley
Warroad

Class C (86 Teams)

Section 1C (11)

Chatfield (Chosen Valley)
Dover-Eyota
Harmony
Houston
Lanesboro
Lewiston-Altura
* Mabel-Canton/ N. Winneshiek, IA
Preston-Fountain
Rushford-Peterson
Spring Grove
Winona Cotter

Section 2C (11)

Glenville-Emmons
* Granada-Huntley-East Chain/
Martin Luther, Northrop
Grand Meadow
LeCenter
Leroy-Ostrander
Mankato Loyola
Medford
Minnesota Valley Lutheran,
New Ulm
New Ulm Cathedral
Randolph
Southland, Adams

Section 3C (11)

Belle Plaine
Browton-Stewart
Buffalo Lake-Hector
Concordia Academy, Roseville
Kimball Area
Maple Lake
Minneapolis Lutheran,
Bloomington
Ogilvie
Rush City
Saint Agnes, Saint Paul
Saint John's Prep, Collegeville

Section 4C (11)

* Adrian/Ellsworth
* Butterfield-Odin/
Mountain Lake
Canby
Dawson-Boyd
Fulda
Lakeview, Cottonwood
(Cottonwood-Wood Lake)
Lincoln Hi (Hendricks-Ivanhoe),
Ivanhoe
Minneota
Russell Tyler-Ruthton
Sleepy Eye
Sleepy Eye Saint Mary's

Section 5C (11)

Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa
* Brandon/Evansville
Browerville
Eagle Valley, Eagle Bend
* Grey Eagle/Swanville
Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunburg
Ortonville
Osakis
Parkers Prairie
Royalton
Upsala

Section 6C (10)

Bertha-Hewitt
* Eagle Country Christian/
Northland, Remer
Hawley
Lake Park-Audubon
Menagha
New York Mills
Pequot Lakes
* Pillager/Motley
Sebeka
Waubun

Section 7C (11)

Babbitt-Embarrass
Barnum
Carlton
Cook
Cook County, Grand Marais
Ely
McGregor
(The) Marshall School, Duluth
Mountain Iron-Buhl
Nashauk-Keewatin
Silver Bay

Section 8C (10)

Ada-Borup
Blackduck
Cass Lake
Fertile-Beltrami
Fosston
* Indus/Lake of the Woods,
Baudette
Mahnomon
Norman County East, Twin Valley
(Gary-Twin Valley)
Red Lake Falls
Warren

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Class NINE MAN (60 Teams)

Section 1-9 Man (7)

Alden-Conger
Cleveland
Goodhue
Lyle
MN Residential Academy, Faribault
(Academy for the Deaf & Blind)
Nicolet
Saint Clair

Section 2-9 Man (7)

Beardsley-Valley, Browns Valley
Clinton-Graceville
Edgerton
Hills-Beaver Creek
Lake Benton-Verdi
Sioux Valley-Round Lake-
Brewster
Wheaton

Section 3-9 Man (7)

Cedar Mountain, Morgan
Chokio-Alberta
Cosmos
Hancock
Holy Trinity, Winsted
Lester Prairie
Silver Lake

Section 4-9 Man (7)

Ashby
*Campbell-Tintah/
Fairmount, ND
Herman-Norcross
Hillcrest Lutheran Academy,
Fergus Falls
Hoffman-Kensington
West Central, Elbow Lake
Underwood

Section 5-9 Man (8)

Chief Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig,
Cass Lake
Cromwell
Floodwood
Hill City
Laporte
Nevis
Verndale
*Wrenshall/St. Paul Academy,
Cloquet

Section 6-9 Man (8)

Clearbrook-Gonvick-Trail
*Climax/Fisher
*Kelliher/Northome
Marshall County Central,
Newfolden
Norman County West, Halstad
*Red Lake County Central
(Oklee/Plummer)
Ulen-Hitterdal
Win-E-Mac, McIntosh

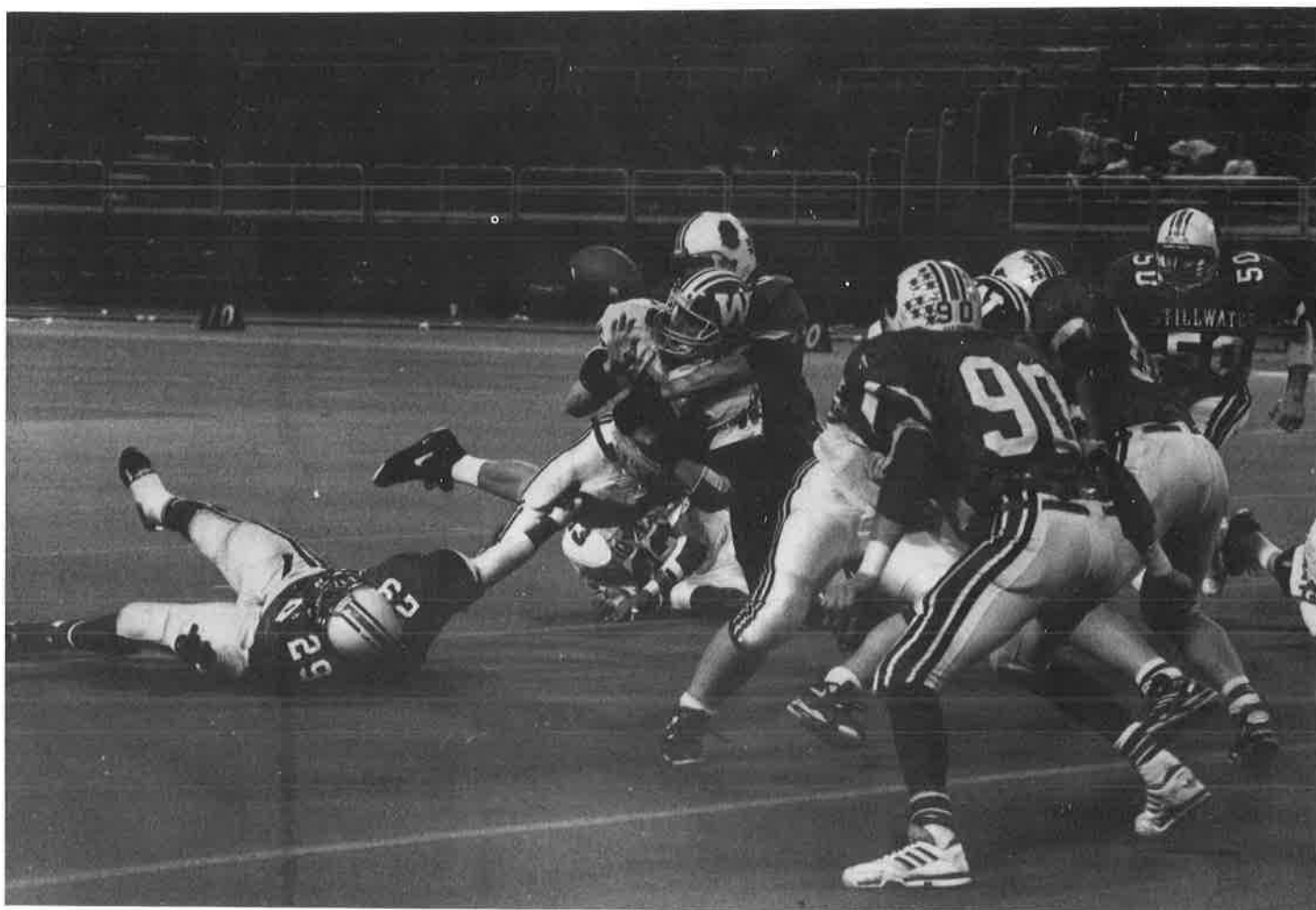
Section 7-9 Man (8)

Albrook, Saginaw
Big Fork
Cherry, Iron
*Cotton/Toivola-Meadowlands
Littlefork-Big Falls
Orr
Red Lake
Tower-Soudan

Section 8-9 Man (8)

Argyle
*Goodridge/Grygla-Gatzke
Kittson Central, Hallock (Hallock-
Humboldt-Saint Vincent-
Kennedy)
Lancaster
Sacred Heart, East Grand Forks
Stephen
Tri-County Schools, Karlstad
Valley North, Oslo

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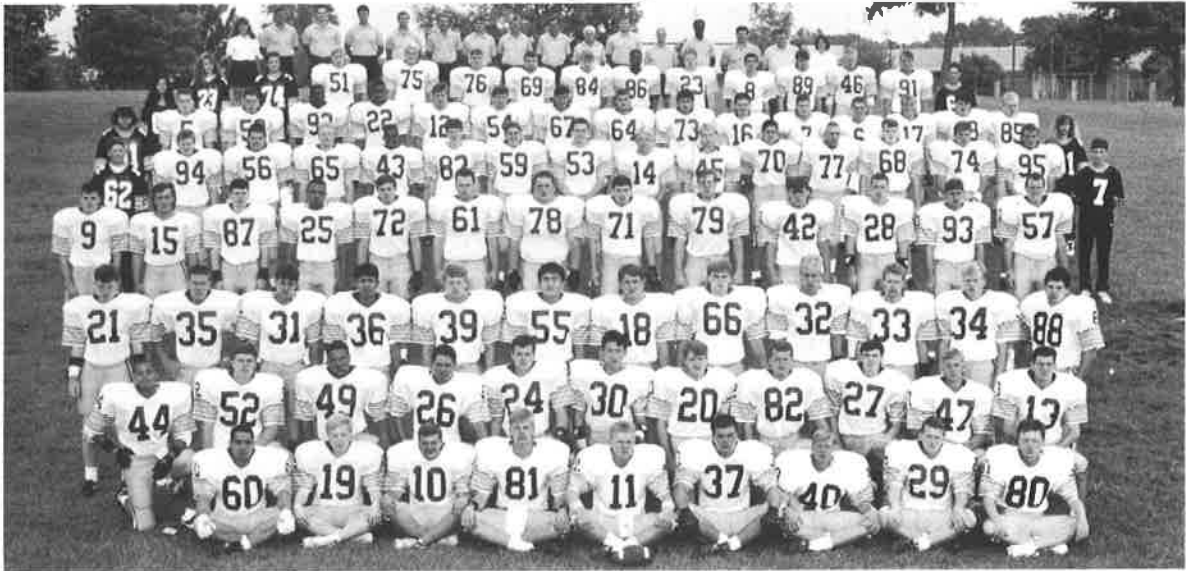


Len Franklin (#29) and Pat Larson (#73) tackle Woodbury quarterback Chad Ellman (#19). Stillwater defeated the Royals 34-21 for Section 2AA Championship. (Photo by Jonathan C. Stilley).

BURNSVILLE

Section 6 Champion

A
A



Row 1 (l-r): Kyle Kautz, Adam Rackow, Jeff Lansink, Matt Johnson, Bob Keeney, Bob Hayes, Mike Moe, Rich Moham, Keith Smith, Row 2 (l-r): Chris Richardson, Chris Naffziger, Albert Boney, Mario Shelton, Brad Minnick, Sean McNeely, Brian Busse, Jamie Bucks, Pat Harlan, Doug Hookum, Ringo Leopold, Row 3 (l-r): Jeremy Decker, Trent Goede, Jose Ramirez, Veary Yin, Mike Janey, David Kringen, Ryan Mehus, Tony Bottolene, Cory Pladson, Aaron Hickman, Eric Fryxell, Clayton Jensen, Row 4 (l-r): Mike Noble, Matt Dickenson, A. J. Wilhelm, Jason Suttle, Dave Bort, Joe Thull, Ajay Cook, Chad McCallum, Craig Van Guilder, Eric Anderson, Tony DelDotto, Alex Simon, Dan Stiehle, Row 5 (l-r): Brett Ross, Michael Gross, Pat Edens, Aaron Lenhart, Ellis Williams, Tim Costello, Bryan Prince, Kyle McCleary, Phil Anderson, Sean Young, Ryan McClay, Mike Garvey, Jamie Wellman, Jim Andressen, Jason Nordin, Gabe Ayala, Row 6 (l-r): Erica Nakahodo, Marc Meyer, John Foster, John Doyle, Kevin Hammond, Rick Hendel, Brad Hill, Tim Ripple, Derek Sendelir, Chad Lindsay, Joe Spark, Paul Schaefer, Darren Anderson, Adam Nail, Andy Fernholz, Lance Carnahan, Shannon Jurgens, Row 7 (l-r): Katie Van Guilder, Toby Prestegaard, Dave McDevitt, Scott Ringer, Steve Schumacher, Tony Bremer, Aaron Hartman, Andre Demps, Tim Watt, Nick Berra, Dan McCurdy, Trent Jorgenson, Rob Lurtsema, Dave Crepeau, Row 8 (l-r): Katie Call, Jay Anderson, Dan Donovan, Don Leake, Mark Griffin, Neal Jeppson, Mark Riggs, Doug Boe, Dick Hanson, Bill Caris, Mick Scholl, Larry Meaders, Fred Kelsen, Steve Blankenberg, Jerry Kusnick, Renee Ledin.

SPRING LAKE PARK

Section 5 Champion

A



Row 1 (l-r): Mark Jensen, Adam Blaido, Eric Stoner, Heather Relf, Shannon Blanchard, Daniel Snodgrass, Tina Mattson, Dawn Delaney, James Carney, Ryan Messer, Dan Grendahl, Row 2 (l-r): Chris Netland, Matt Helfenstein, Chris Roloff, Joel Makala, Brian Gronlund, Jeremiah Kalland, John Zgutowicz, John Stensrude, Mark Smith, Marty Gibson, Mike Vandervort, Row 3 (l-r) John Fosvick, Al Schlichting, Ass't Coach Gronert, Ass't Coach Welle, Head Coach Jackson, Ass't Coach Copple, Ass't Coach Wabner, Ass't Coach Harnish, Jayme Anderson, Mike Ehlenfeldt, Doug Langewicz, Row 4 (l-r): Jason Medin, Matt Kurth, Doug Goodwin, Matt Herman, Tim Kocher, Jeff Tykeson, Travis Littlefield, Mark Monson, Brody Israelson, Kevin Byl, Row 5 (l-r): X, X, Brandon Ritter, Brett Littlefield, Chad Olson, Steve Kueppers, Scott Muyres, Josh Fulwider, Andy Scheck.

BOLD

Section 4 Champion



Row 1 (l-r): Shannon Engstrom, Jane Keltgen, Kristene Anderson, Laura Rau, April Beckman, Monica Hotovec. Row 2 (l-r): Brian Rodel, Peter Kienholz, Kevin Mathiowetz, Guy Osterfeld, Jamie Steffel, Jason Zuhlsdorf, Jason Serbus, Shawn Kopel, Manager Dan Torres. Row 3 (l-r): Trainer Kelli Hightshoe, Manager Jeremy Kopel, Raymond Boehme, Dan Nissen, Troy Bohm, Jay Mahoney, Jon Kircher, Dan Amberg, Scott Hillemeier. Row 4 (l-r): Chad Gomarko, Ross Soukup, Craig Boen, David Hackmann, Chad Elbert, Joey Jensen, Jay Helin. Row 5 (l-r): Head Coach Stephen Solem, Assistant Jack Gomarko, Assistant Chuck Ross, Nathan Herdina, Brian Erickson, Jeremiah Jacobs, Jeff Zurn, Paul Mathiowetz, Michael McDowell.

MAHNOMEN

Section 6 Champion

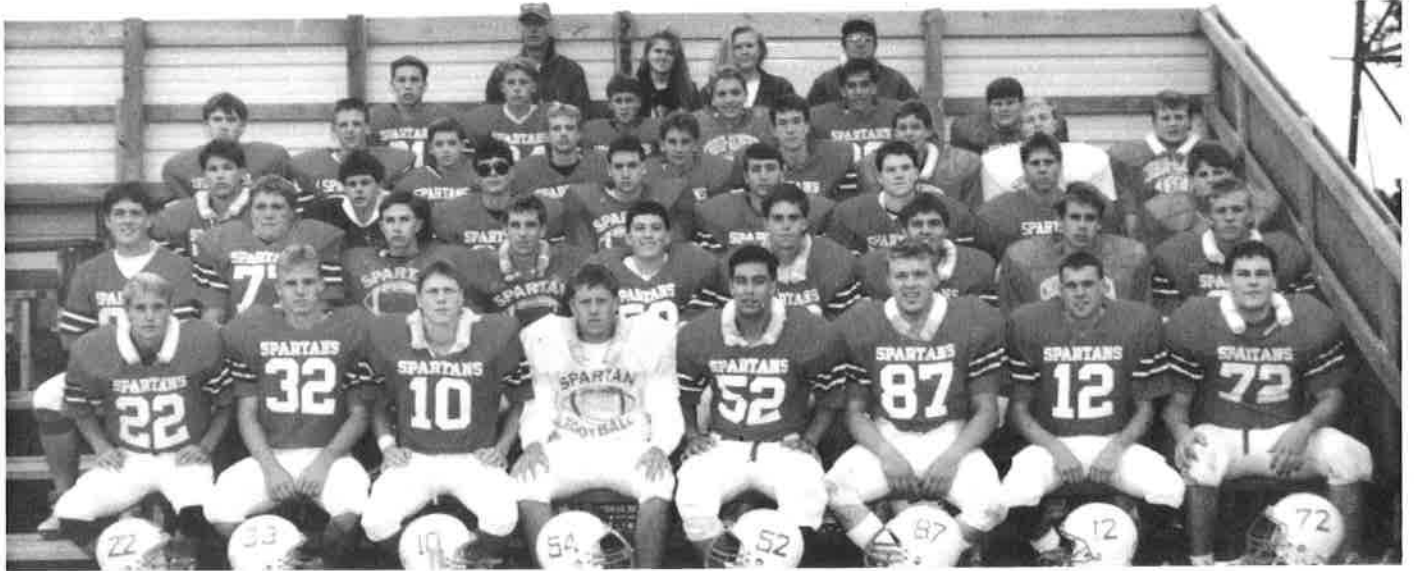


Row 1 (l-r): Chris Neumann, Jason Miller, Chuck McNamee. Row 2 (l-r): Brent Miller, Mike Halvorson, George Spaeth, Roy Bjorge, Erik Bellanger, Duane Liebl, Kyle Lacey, Mark Kahlbaugh, Russell Sweep, Jason Paul. Row 3 (l-r): Chad Schouveiller, Scott Yost, Jeremy Gunderson, Tom Kahlbaugh, Jamie Traunter, Richard Haider, Stanley Dietz, Brandon Yost, David Markert, Ryan Refshaw, Allen Houdek. Row 4 (l-r): Jason Strong, Andy Newmann, Jeremy Seykora, Matt Kraker, Reed Bjerk, Chad Rogers, Jason Francis, Grant Gunderson, Chad Sweep, Chad Flakne, Mike Luksik. Row 5 (l-r): Josh Stone, Tim Neisen, John Littlewolf, Eric Handyside, Scott McCollum, Greg Gieseke, Pete Scheff, Andy Geray, Mike Kirsch, Tony Athmann. Row 6 (l-r): Manager Darren Rogers, Manager Ben Baumann, Asst. Coach John Peterick, Head Coach Ken Baumann, Asst. Coach Al Brusven, Asst. Coach Ron Liebl, Manager Derek Kochman, Manager Doug Liebl. Row 7 (l-r): Sheila Schoenborn, Sandy Eveslage, Jessica Asher, Lonna Worden, Jenny Yanish, Kari Johnson.

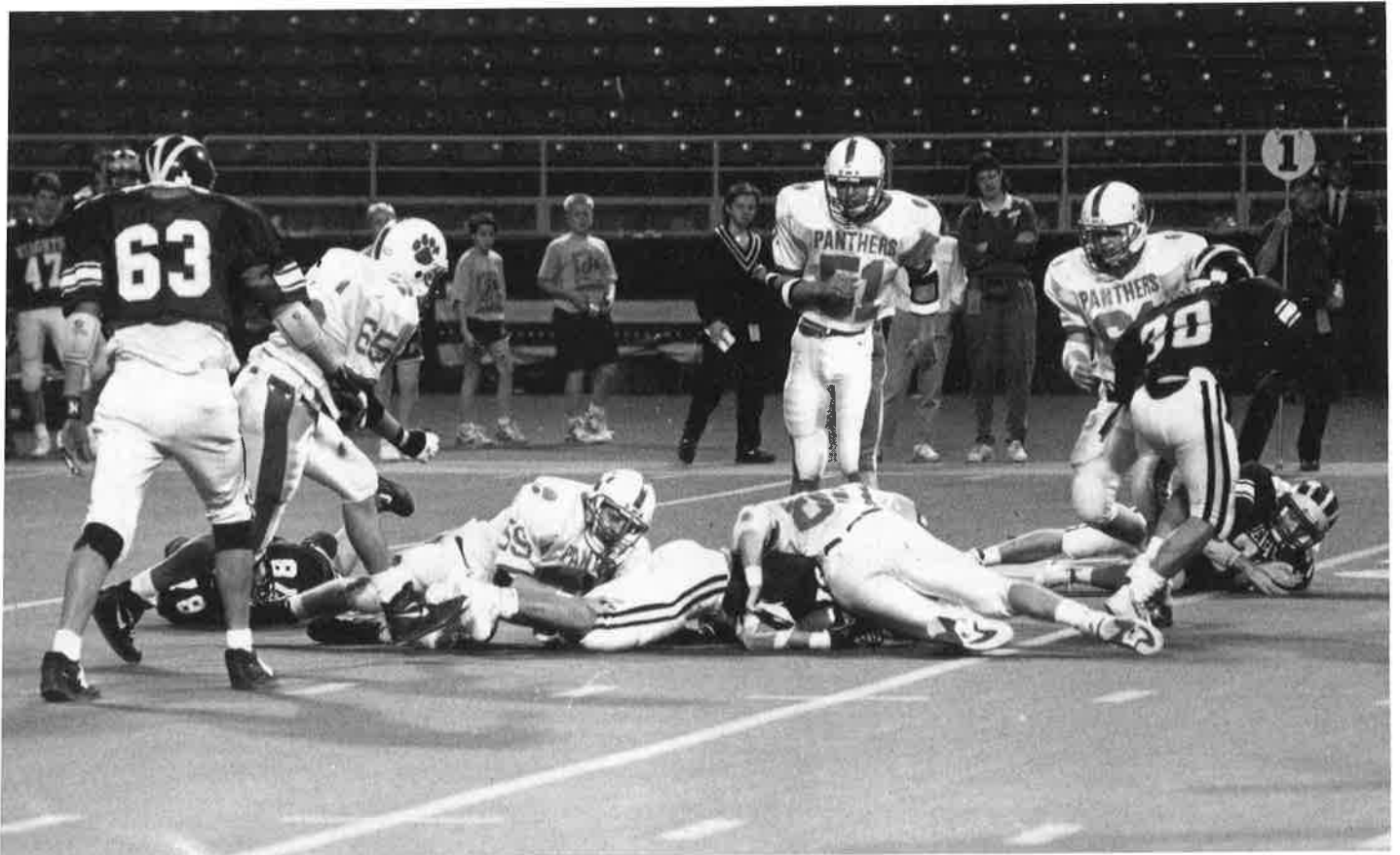
CHOKIO-ALBERTA

Section 2 Champion

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A
N



Row 1 (l-r): Shaun Leuthard, Jon Hallman, Pat Kehoe, Kevin Spaulding, Eric Tomoson, Eric Gibson, Chad Marty, Jeremy Schmidgall. Row 2 (l-r): Luke Monson, Wally Schmitz, Mike Schneider, Greg Fynboh, Dan Krueger, Tom Schott, Matt Raasch, Curtis Anderson, Carl Vogt, Row 3 (l-r): Tim Schmidgall, Andy Ritter, Keith Vogt, Cory Fynboh, Jeff Klein, Mike Hettver, Bill Kehoe, Troy Bruer. Row 4 (l-r): Shannon Pring, Lucas deNeui, Paul Mithun, Mark Berlinger, Jason Rilley, Dan DeCamp, Luke Jost, Scott Erickson, Kelly Backman. Row 5 (l-r): Mark Gibson, James Raths, Charles Swanson, Matt Marlow, Dustin Tomoson, Kyle Anderson, Row 6 (l-r): Coach Neal Hofland, Managers Niccole Hettver and Wendy Hawkenson, Assistant Coach John Mithun.



Spring Lake Park's defense stops Columbia Heights' outstanding running back Aaron Johnson as juniors Andy Scheck and Chris Roloff plus sophomore Mike O'Neil surround the tackle.

State Football Playoff Championship Games (1972 - 1991)

1972				1979			
Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AAMpls.	Washburn	Moorhead	26-6	AA	Columbia Heights	Richfield	8-3
A	Burnsville	Sauk Centre	46-19	A	Rochester Lourdes	Apple Valley	22-6
B	Mountain Iron	Dassel-Cokato	54-6	B	Gaylord	Mahnomen	15-6
C	Gaylord	Preston	26-6	C	Bird Island-Lake		
9-Man	Rothsay	Cotton	64-12	Lillian		Harmony	34-6
				9-Man	Russell	Toivola-Meadowlands	17-14
1973				1980			
Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Rochester- John Marshall	St. Paul Harding	25-0	AA	Burnsville	Cambridge	23-6
A	Eveleth	Willmar	28-18	A	Crookston	Pipestone	32-6
B	New Prague	Appleton	13-7	B	Mahnomen	Austin Pacelli	34-0
C	Gaylord	Holdingford	29-6	C	Bird Island-Lake		
9-Man	Lake Benton	Brandon	50-12	Lillian		Mountain Lake	20-7
				9-Man	Hoffman	Toivola- Meadowlands	18-14
				Kensington			
1974				1981			
Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Rochester	Bloomington		AA	Rosemount	Moorhead	40-14
	John Marshall	Jefferson	41-19	A	St. Peter	Hermantown	18-14
A	Alexandrai	Chaska	26-7	B	Holdingford	Pine Island	39-0
B	New Prague	Caledonia	41-12	C	Medford	Clarkfield	33-28
C	Battle Lake	Bird Island	34-26 (2 OT)	9-Man	Argyle	Starbuck	31-19
9-Man	Lake Benton	Fisher	36-6				
1975				1982			
Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Stillwater	Richfield	20-17	AA	Stillwater	Owatonna	34-27
A	St. Thomas Acad.	St. Peter	21-14	A	Brooklyn Center	E. Grand Forks	30-8
B	Gaylord	Onamia	14-13	B	LeCenter	Mahnomen	12-6
C	Esko	Karlstad	62-0	C	Truman	Belgrade	16-14
9-Man	Ruthton	Audubon	42-20	9-Man	Westbrook	Fergus Falls Hillcrest Lutheran Academy	34-12
1976				1983			
Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	White Bear Lake	Cloquet	14-36 (OT)	AA	Coon Rapids	Bloomington	
						Jefferson	34-31
A	St. Peter	Mora	56-12	A	Hutchinson	Park Rapids	36-14
B	Caledonia	Sartell	38-7	B	Jordan	Breckenridge	27-0
C	New Richland- Hartland	Bird Island	21-19	C	Southland (Adams)	Bird Island-0	
9-Man	Deer Creek	Fergus Falls Hillcrest Luth. Acad.	57-14	9-Man	Silver Lake	Lake Lillian	28-0
						Norman County West	
						Climax	27-12
1977				1984			
Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Mpls. Washburn	Stillwater	13-0	AA	Stillwater	Burnsville	36-33
A	Fridley Grace	Cold Spring Rocori	36-12	A	Hutchinson	Centennial	32-7
B	Granite Falls	Stewartville	44-6	B	Granite Falls	Breckenridge	13-7
C	Battle Lake	Henderson	22-20 (OT)	C	Harmony	Glyndon-Felton	20-14
9-Man	Deer Creek	Fergus Falls Hillcrest Luth. Acad.	20-0	9-Man	Norman Co. West	Silver Lake	37-20
1978				1985			
Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Edina West	Fridley	21-0	AA	Burnsville	Apple Valley	27-21
A	Fridley Grace	Apple Valley	17-14	A	New Prague	Mora	16-12
B	New Richland- Hartland	Barnesville	48-8	B	Jackson	Mahnomen	26-20
C	Alden-Conger	Battle Lake	15-14	C	Glyndon-Felton	Zumbrota	38-14
9-Man	Hoffman	Albrook	44-28	9-Man	Westbrook	Norman Co. West	45-18

1986

Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Apple Valley	Osseo	35-6
A	Cambridge	Stewartville	24-0
B	Watertown-Mayer	Granite Falls	29-6
C	Minneota	Sherburn-Dunnell	52-19
9-Man	Argyle	Silver Lake	32-7

1987

Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Moorhead	Winona	13-7
A	Cambridge	Lakeville	28-14
B	Granite Falls	Ely	43-20
C	Minneota	Grand Meadow	27-7
9-Man	Silver Lake	Verndale	30-14

1988

Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Blaine	Cretin-Derham Hall	25-24
A	Lakeville	Staples-Motley	35-28
B	Breckenridge	Morris	21-7
C	Minneota	Rushford	42-28
9-Man	Hallock	Stewart	35-24

1989

Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Burnsville	Stillwater	21-7
A	Albany	Totino Grace	41-32
B	Gibbon-Fairfax	Perham	
C	Winthrop		27-15
9-Man	Waterville-Elysian	Mahnomen	14-7
	St. Clair	Albrook	47-12

1990

Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Anoka	Elk River	14-0
A	Fridley	Sartell	34-12
B	BOLD	De La Salle	15-14
C	Mahnomen	Becker	27-7
9-Man	Hills-Beaver Creek	Argyle	28-21

1991

Class	Champions	Runners-Up	Score
AA	Burnsville	Lakeville	10-7
A	Spring Lake Park	Rocori	20-0
B	BOLD	Deer River	14-0
C	Mahnomen	Mankato Loyola	42-0
9-Man	Cholio-Alberta	Gyrgla/Goodridge	7-6

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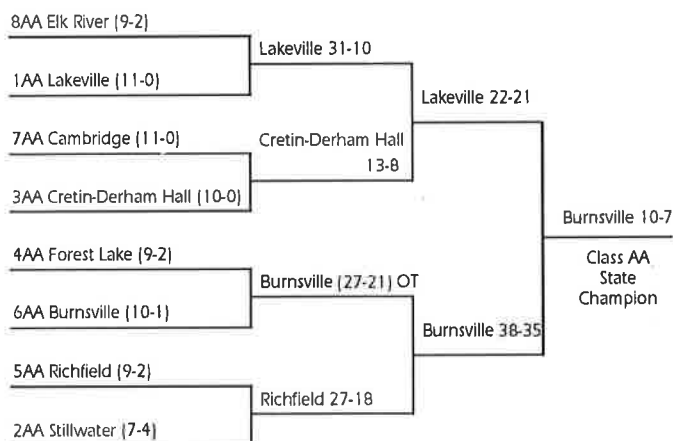
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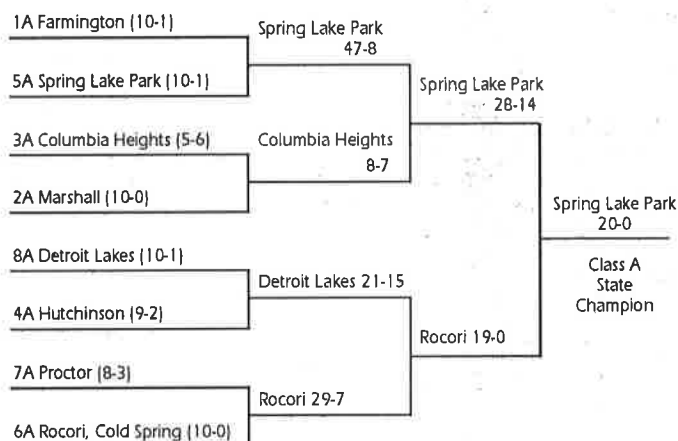
Fairmont's middle linebacker Chris Scott stops Mankato East's super sophomore Brad Kliegl (both hidden from view) after a short gain. Assisting Scott in the tackle are Chad Shell (on bottom) and Clay Emler (#55). Looking on for Fairmont are Matt Beckendorf (#66) and Cory VanEngen (#77). Blocking for Kliegl are Jason Beal (#69), Jerod Hall (#66) and Ryan Hallstrom (#57). Justin Doering (#51) looks on. Fairmont won the game 20-13.

1991 Playoff Results

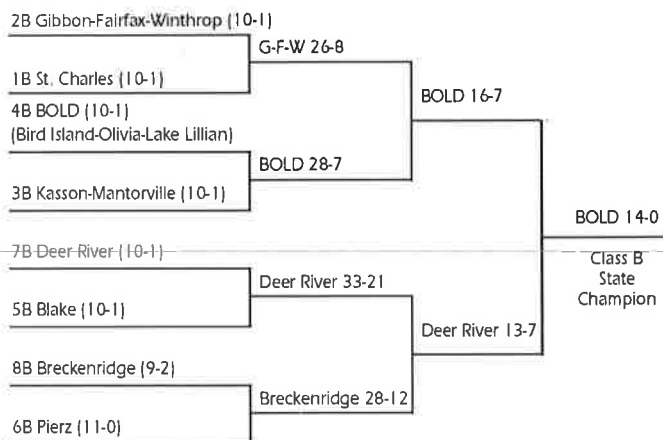
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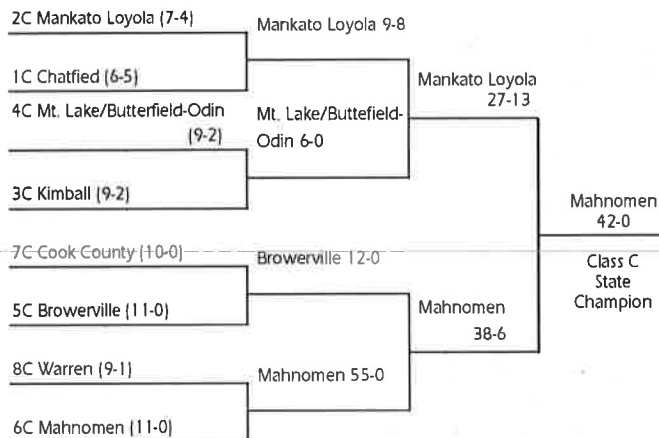
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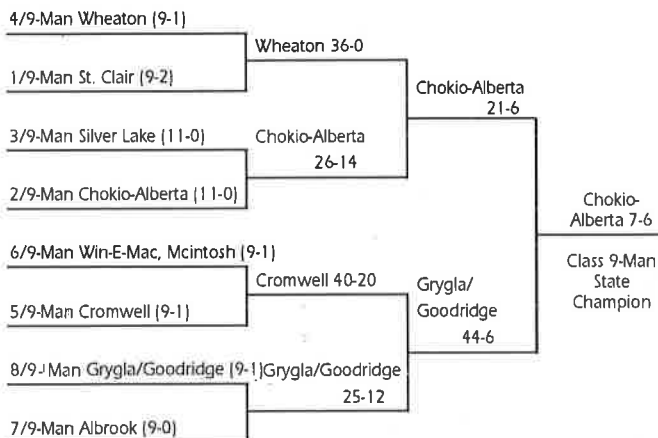
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1991 Class "C" Playoff Results



1991 Class "9-MAN" Playoff Results



1991 MINNESOTA CONFERENCE FOOTBALL COACHES OF THE YEAR

CONFERENCE	COACH	SCHOOL
212	Steve Solem	BOLD
Big Nine	Rich Oliphant	Faribault
Buffalo Ridge	Steve Ondrush	Chandler-Lake Wilson
Central Lakes	Mark Johnson	Rocori
Central MN	Leo Pohlkamp	Pierz
Circle Eight	Buzz Rumlill	Silver Lake
Gopher	Jon Bakken	Waterville-Elystan
Great Northern	Dave Beadle	Albrook
Great River	Gene Stritesky	Ogilvie
Heart O'Lakes	Craig Samuelson	Barnesville-Rothsay
Heart O'Lakes	Ken Baumann	Mahnomen
Heartland	Paul Schroeder	Nevis
Hiawatha Valley	Ivan Kroulik	Kasson-Mantroville
Hiawatha Valley	Dennis Nigon	Rochester Lourdes
Lake Blue	Ken McDonald	Hopkins
Lake Red	Paul Miller	Apple Valley
Mid State	Rick Manke	Detroit Lakes
Minneapolis	Al Howard	South
Minneapolis	Bruce Turnbaugh	Washburn
Minnesota River	Jim Trapp	Jordan
Missota	Larry Thompson	Lakeville
North Country	George Larson	Cambridge
North Suburban	Gary Engen	Mounds Valley
North Tri County	Mike Finco	Fisher-Climax
North Star	Arlan Jensen	Northland
Park Region	Mike Radnick	New York Mills
Pheasant North	Keith Swanson	Hoffman-Kensington
Pheasant North	Phil Link	Underwood
Pheasant South	Neal Hofland	Chollo-Alberta
Polar North	Lyle Anderson	Cook County
Prairie	Gary Graham	Browerville
Rum River	Ken Hill	Sauk Rapids
Sea Range	Dan Saarela	Mesabi East
Sea Range	Rick Coughlin	Two Harbors
South Central	Jim Simser	Fairmont
South Central	Frank Fredlund	St. Peter
Southeastern	Del Elston	Harmony
Southern Minny	Dave Krenik	Cleveland
Southwest	Joel Swanson	Luveme
Southwest	Lloyd Peterson	Marshall
St. Paul City	Rick Kallok	Cretin-Derham Hall
St. Paul City	Mal Scanlon	Cretin-Derham Hall
St. Paul Suburban	Bob Majeski	Hastings
St. Paul Suburban	Gary Halvorson	Woodbury
Three Rivers	Willie Rauen	Pine Island
Three Rivers	John King	St. Charles
Tomahawk	Lyle Gomarko	Springfield-Comfrey
Top of State	Robert Lingen	Stephen
Top of State	Don Stoner	Valley
Tri Metro Gold	Rick Sutton	Brooklyn Center
Tri Metro Gold	Earl Wetzel	Farmington
Tri Metro Gold	Steve Fedle	Orono
Tri Metro Maroon	Bob Ercolani	St. Agnes
Tri Star	Gary Gillis	Red Rock
Twain Cities Suburban	Dave Nelson	Blaine
Valley	Jim Swanson	Maple River
Valley Plains	John Clark	Waubun
Wasioja	Todd Kieffer	Hayfield
Wasioja	Don Henderson	Trilton
West Central North	Jim Mader	Albany
West Central South	Bill Beck	Lac Qui Parle
Wright County	Merrill Pavlovich	Delano
St. Paul City	Jack Moynagh	St. Paul Como Park

1992-1993 UNIFIED DUES APPLICATION FORM

Minnesota State High School Coaches Association

308 Lord Avenue, Foley, Minnesota 56329
DARIEN DEROCHE - EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

NAME (Print) _____
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DUES PAYABLE: Check One
 ANNUAL DUES PAYING MEMBERS \$20.00
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ASSOCIATE MEMBERS: \$10.00
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(Number Of Years Coaching, Including 1992-1993 School Year _____)

SPORT ASSOCIATION DUES

(Optional - Must join parent organization before
you can join individual Sport Association)

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

List Your Coaching Assignments

- ATHLETIC DIRECTORS.....\$20
- BASEBALL.....\$10 (H); \$5 (A)
- BASKETBALL\$10 (H); \$5 (A)
- CROSS COUNTRY.....\$6
- FOOTBALL\$15 (H); \$5 (A)
- Retired Life\$25
- GOLF.....\$10
- HOCKEY\$25 (H); \$15 (A)
- Retired\$15
- CC SKIING.....\$8
- SLALOM SKIING.....\$6
- SOCCER\$5
- SWIMMING\$10
- Ass't or Diving Coach.....\$5
- TENNIS\$10 (H); \$5 (A)
- TRACK\$5

- MSHSCA DUES\$20.00
- SPORT ASS'N DUES\$ _____
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- TOTAL.....\$ _____

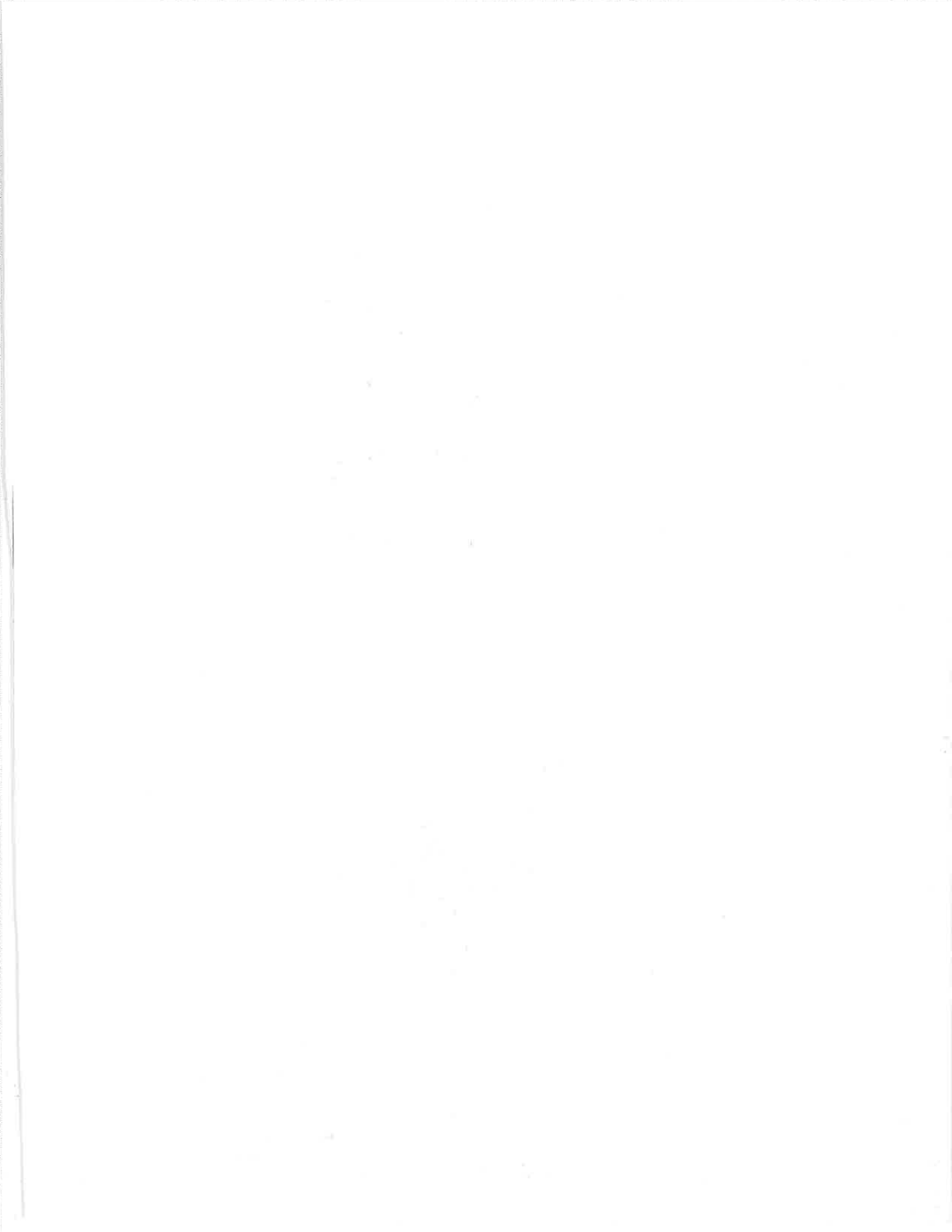
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ACTIVE HIGH SCHOOL HEAD FOOTBALL COACHES 100 VICTORY CLUB (Entering 1992 Season)

Head Coach & School	W-L-T Record	Years Head Coach	Head Coach & School	W-L-T Record	Years Head Coach
1. George Larson, Cambridge	265-57-6	34	37. Ralph Pucci, Rochester Mayo	140-105-1	27
2. George Smith, Mahtomedi	251-116-11	42	38. Clark Bergloff, Mora	139-47-0	19
3. Ken Bauman, Mahnomon	215-35-2	23	39. Ron Johnson, Clearbrook Gonvick-Trail	136-68	23
4. George Thole, Stillwater	211-49-3	24	40. Roger Goerish, United South Central	136-85-1	23
5. Grady Rostberg, Hutchinson	209-75-2	28	41. Charles Sundeen, Gibbon-Fairfax- Winthrop	135-59	20
6. Don Stueve, Fergus Falls	197-95-1	32	42. Paul Miller, Apple Valley	133-50-0	18
7. Burton "Buz" Rumrill, Silver Lake	195-98-3	30	43. Wayne Beisel, Lewiston, Ultura	132-77-1	23
8. Gerhard Miedt, Minneota	192-59-0	26	44. Howard Emerson, Warren	130-63-1	22
9. Billy Beck, Lac Qui Parle Valley	192-115-6	34	45. Stan Olson, LeRoy-Ostrander	126-66-0	20
10. Ron Stolski, Brainerd	191-99-66	30	46. Kenneth Belanger, Zumbrota- Mazepa	126-107-2	26
11. Jim Roforth, Osakis	190-82-3	32	47. Deryl Ramey, Willmar	122-45-5	19
12. Dick Hanson, Burnsville	183-54-2	24	48. James Mader, Albany	120-41-0	15
13. Jerry Wallskog, LeCenter	178-69-1	26	49. Dick Strand, Southland, Adams	120-54-0	19
14. Neal Hofland, Chokio-Alberta	177-45-2	23	50. Lloyd Petersen, Marshall	119-70-1	20
15. Terry McLean, Elk River	171-73-0	29	51. Gary Graham, Browerville	118-42-0	16
16. Jerry Peterson, Owatonna	169-89-2	28	52. Merrill Pavlovich, Delano	118-42-0	17
17. Dave Nigon, Totino Grace	167-57-0	21	53. Keith Swanson, Hoffman-Kensington	117-41-0	16
18. Dave Main, Sibley East	163-62-0	23	54. Dan Saarela, Mesabi East (Aurora-Hoyt Lakes-Biwabik)	117-107-0	31
19. Mike Mahlen, Verndale	161-54-3	23	55. Dwight Lundeen, Becker	115-90-3	22
20. Jim Simser, Fairmont	161-68-1	24	56. Rich Jaeger, Montevideo	114-60-0	18
21. Con Natvig, Swanville/Grey Eagle	158-87-2	26	57. Rick Manke, Detroit Lakes	112-51-0	16
22. Dean Taylor, Sartell	157-79-0	25	58. David Montgomery, St. Paul Acedemy	111-79-2	21
23. Roger Lipelt, Wayzata	156-87-1	27	59. John Heller, St. Paul Highland Park	111-97-1	23
24. Stuart Nordquist, Int. Falls/Indus	154-80-25	60	60. Tyrone Wacker, Jackson	110-37-0	15
25. Bill Bailey, Minnewaska	153-92-0	26	61. Ken Hill, Sauk Rapids	109-101-1	23
26. Willie Rauen, Pine Island	153-104-2	28	62. Gene Stritesky, Ogilvie	108-55-0	16
27. Chuck Karger, Wabasha-Kellog	151-92-6	28	63. Nil Royer, Martin Co. W	108-69-0	49
28. Jerry Sonnek, Blackduck	149-81-3	26	54. William Beck, Irondale	106-100-0	24
29. Dave Brokke, Granite Falls/Clarkfield	148-36-0	17	65. Mike Finco, Fisher/Climax	104-58-0	14
30. John Gross, Medford	148-94-0	27	67. Jim Brown, Holy Trinity, Winsted	103-52-0	16
31. DeWayne Johnson, Anoka	147-75-2	23	68. Gary Brantl, Red Lk. Co. Cent.	109-96-0	22
32. Bruce Harding, East Central	147-89-2	26	69. Terry Karlsgodt, Atwater-Grover City	100-55-0	16
33. Dave Beadle, Albrook	146-79-3	33			
34. Dick Oliphant, Faribault	145-95-0	26			
35. Frank Fredlund, St. Peter	144-60-1	21			
36. Gary Trimble, Kimball Area	144-77-0	21			

COACHES APPROACHING 100 VICTORIES AT BEGINNING OF 1992 SEASON

Head Coach & School	W-L-T Record	Years Head Coach	Head Coach & School	W-L-T Record	Years Head Coach
1. Larry Mischke, Ely	98-56-0	17	8. Wm. White, Montevideo	93-38-0	12
2. Floyd Smaller, St. Paul Central	98-81-0	20	9. Steve Frickey, Lakeville	92-50-0	13
3. James Swanson, Maple River	97-71-0	19	10. Michael Hyland, Wrenshall	92-53-0	19
4. Dennis Hale, Worthington	96-76-0	18	11. Dennis Holsman, Hill City	88-52-0	15
5. Gary Berg, East Grand Forks	96-97-0	21	12. Robert Just, Little Falls	84-82-0	18
6. Paul Mork, White Bear Lake Area	95-65-0	18	13. Robert Sieling, Bertha-Hewitt	83-37-0	12
7. Ken Jacobson, Chatfield	94-88-0	19	14. Mike Watson, Centennial	82-75-1	17



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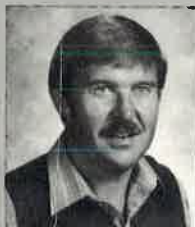
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