

Defensive changes keyed Panther win

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St. Mary's Central Catholic stopped Margaretta's wishbone attack to win its first SBC game, and, Huron's power football is next on the agenda.

The Panthers, fresh off a 20-7 upset victory, now eye the Tigers, a team they haven't beaten since 1962.

"Again, we have to stop what our opponents do best," St. Mary's coach Butch Weyer said. "We mixed up our defense, showing them (the Polar Bears) a different front than they were used to seeing."

"Most opponents gave them a 5-2 look. We had three linebackers and changed people's responsibilities. We gave them the pass and took away the run."

Friday night at Huron, Weyer will play checkers again.

"Boy, they've given so many different looks that we're not sure what to expect," he said. "But they've got a couple areas to attack."

The Tigers, winners of the last 11 meetings, have shown power football with fullback Gregg Rhoad up the middle, and an outside game with Jim Legando and Marc Munafa trying to break loose on quick pitch-outs.

St. Mary's defense is paced a fine linebacking crew of Joe Smith, Brian Notestine and Tim Kochendoerfer.

Kochendoerfer, though, was more noticeable offensively against Margaretta. He dove over from one yard out for St. Mary's first

touchdown, and his 31-yard screen pass reception and run set up the Panthers second score.

That enabled St. Mary's to jump ahead 14-0 in the first quarter and forced Margaretta to play catch-up football.

Geoff Palmer, meanwhile, hit 6 of 10 passes for 92 yards, while running back Vince Shinault added 105 yards in 29 carries.

"When we needed it, it was there," Weyer said. "Penalties (nine for 95 yards) really hurt us, though. We're quite concerned with those careless mistakes."

Weyer said the Panthers, 4-3 overall and 1-3 in the SBC, are in good shape physically, according to Weyer.

"For the first time, everybody's healthy," he said.



PANTHERS NOTESTINE ... strong tackler.



PANTHERS KOCHENDOERFER ... scored touchdown.

But so is Huron. "It seems like they (Huron) get everything taken care of before they play St. Mary's," said Weyer.

Coming off their best effort of the season, the Panthers might just have everything in order for Friday's battle, too.

Huron in race, but needs help

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HURON — Tiffin Calvert is trying to make this a quiet year in the SBC, but Tony Munafa wants to make noise.

"The race isn't over by any means," the Huron coach said. "Calvert still has St. Joe and Margaretta. That's no guarantee."

Regardless, the best the Tigers can do is tie for the SBC crown. And that's combining three Huron wins with two Calvert losses.

To do their part, the Tigers (4-3 overall, 1-2 in the league) must start Friday night with St. Mary's Central Catholic. And to succeed, Huron must do something it didn't do in a 13-0 loss to Calvert last Saturday — block.

"We've had trouble with our tackles all year," Munafa said. "They make contact but they don't move anybody. Calvert's linebackers weren't taken out and they stopped us every time."

Huron managed just 76 yards

total offense, led by Jim Legando's 32 yards in nine tries.

"In are stats, I counted only four carries for Gregg Rhoad," Munafa said. "He should be carried more but he just kept coming up and getting smacked. There was always a linebacker right in his face."

Jeff Osterling had been moved to tackle and will join either Randy Wright, Ray Enderle or Larry Hofacker at the other troublesome spot.

Huron, however, played good defense again last Saturday. Lee Hammond, in fact, won a job at linebacker.

"He's really come on," Munafa said. "We're really stopping people, but we're not scoring."

Injuries, a season-long problem, is no longer an excuse, either.

"I think everybody's healed up enough to play against St. Mary's," Munafa said. "Everybody will be in the lineup. How much action they'll see depends on their performance."

Putting the pieces back together

against St. Mary's, and then Perkins and Margaretta, would give the Tigers a respectable 7-3 overall record and 4-2 SBC mark.

That's the game plan here and, if Calvert's steamroller would happen to come apart at the seams, Huron would be right there for a chance at the title.

"We're not going to sit back and become cheerleaders," Munafa said. "We want to get back into the picture."

HURON-ST. MARY'S SERIES (Huron leads, 14-2)

- 1978 — Huron, 21-3
- 1977 — Huron, 6-5
- 1976 — Huron, 7-0
- 1975 — Huron, 14-0
- 1974 — Huron, 15-7
- 1973 — Huron, 14-7
- 1972 — Huron, 21-3
- 1971 — Huron, 34-0
- 1970 — Huron, 19-8
- 1969 — Huron, 20-0
- 1968 — Huron, 20-6
- 1962 — St. Mary's, 12-6
- 1961 — Huron, 58-0
- 1960 — Huron, 60-0
- 1959 — Huron, 38-14
- 1958 — St. Mary's, 14-8

Standings

Buckeye Conference

Team	OVERALL				LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Elyria	6	0	0	62	0	3	0	0	23	0
Sandusky	6	0	0	105	63	3	0	0	60	48
Fremont Ross	5	1	0	165	30	1	1	0	28	3
Lorain Senior	1	1	0	111	56	2	1	0	78	43
Lorain Admiral King	1	1	0	21	26	1	1	0	21	26
Findlay	2	4	0	117	171	1	2	0	68	69
Marion Harding	3	4	0	103	139	1	3	0	41	53
Mansfield Senior	1	5	1	47	125	0	4	0	19	96

Sandusky Bay Conference

Team	OVERALL				LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Tiffin Calvert	5	1	1	88	44	4	0	0	61	25
Margaretta	5	2	0	185	120	3	1	0	113	47
Perkins	4	3	0	122	71	2	2	0	56	51
Fremont St. Joe	4	3	0	113	110	2	2	0	74	77
Huron	4	3	0	47	62	1	2	0	19	46
St. Mary's Central Catholic	4	3	0	116	81	1	3	0	46	67
Clyde	0	7	0	29	161	0	3	0	8	64

Northern Ohio League

Team	OVERALL				LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Willard	4	2	1	112	75	3	0	1	88	16
Shelby	5	2	0	108	53	3	1	0	65	20
Galion	5	2	0	102	75	3	1	0	67	55
Upper Sandusky	5	1	1	90	52	3	1	0	43	33
Bellevue	2	5	0	71	89	2	2	0	59	52
Tiffin Columbian	2	4	1	56	88	1	2	1	30	33
Bucyrus	1	6	0	53	114	0	4	0	31	86
Norwalk	1	6	0	24	120	0	4	0	7	95

Firelands Conference

Team	OVERALL				LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Edison	6	1	0	187	71	4	0	0	100	21
South Central	5	2	0	144	79	3	1	0	73	65
Black River	5	2	0	133	70	2	2	0	51	50
Mapleton	3	3	1	78	97	2	2	0	42	40
New London	3	4	0	106	112	2	2	0	74	66
Western Reserve	3	3	1	110	104	1	2	1	36	44
Monroeville	4	3	0	125	105	1	3	0	44	90
Norwalk St. Paul	0	6	1	20	139	0	3	1	8	52

Great Lakes League

Team	OVERALL				LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Oregon Clay	6	0	0	89	24	3	0	0	37	14
Fostoria	5	1	0	138	33	2	0	0	51	14
Napoleon	5	1	0	121	75	2	1	0	55	55
Port Clinton	4	3	0	73	37	1	2	0	13	23
Sylvania Northview	2	4	0	62	110	1	3	0	29	69
Bedford	2	4	0	55	82	0	3	0	29	47

Lakeshore Conference

Team	OVERALL				LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Hopewell-Loudon	5	2	0	134	68	3	0	0	77	6
Ottawa Hills	5	2	0	83	58	1	0	0	20	6
Danbury	4	3	0	124	79	2	1	0	67	28
North Baltimore	2	5	0	26	153	1	2	0	14	56
Northwood	0	7	0	6	157	0	2	0	0	53
Seneca East	0	7	0	30	150	0	2	0	0	29

Lakeland Conference

Team	OVERALL				LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Oberlin	5	1	0	137	31	3	0	0	60	0
Vermilion	4	3	0	132	87	3	1	0	88	49
Clearview	4	3	0	80	107	3	1	0	53	40
Amherst	5	1	0	95	28	2	1	0	39	22
Midview	2	5	0	56	117	2	2	0	48	58
North Ridgeville	1	6	0	55	82	1	3	0	49	53
Brookside	1	6	0	46	125	1	3	0	28	68
Wellington	1	6	0	43	135	0	4	0	19	85

Black Fork Valley Conference

Team	OVERALL				LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	PF	PA	W	L	T	PF	PA
Ashland Crestview	3	4	0	81	78	2	0	0	51	12
Lucas	3	4	0	69	74	1	1	0	36	26
Plymouth	1	6	0	44	165	0	2	0	20	69

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