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S. WILLIAMS RECEIVES 112 YDS; BAKER, BOFF GET TDS

SP-F Raider Gridmen Sit On East Side Red Raiders, 17-0

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Opponents of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School football team have their work cut out for them when it comes to figuring out whom to defend against. With two blazing

wide receivers in Steve and Ray Williams, two fullbacks - Andrew Pavoni and Josh Finkelstein - who do very well to come out of the backfield to grab passes over the middle and the ever-dangerous halfback Kyle Adams, the Raiders can

gobble up plenty of yardage. Every opponent knows that it is imperative to keep very close to both Williams's. How? Newark East Side did not figure it out in Scotch Plains on November 3 as Steve Williams grabbed four passes for 104 yards and Ray Williams pulled in three for 53 yards in the first half to pave the way for a 17-0 victory - Steve finished with five receptions for 112 yards and Ray, who also had an interception, finished with four receptions for 67 yards.

"They usually key on Ray because of his speed but that leaves me open in the flat or over the middle. I was concentrating on catching the ball today," said Steve Williams. "Some teams have changed their whole defensive schemes. Some teams usually play man but changed to cover two. East Side did that today."

"People are going to do things to keep Ray out of the game but they can't take both out," said Raider Head Coach Steve Ciccotelli. "We have two very good wide receivers. They both can catch and they both can run. We found some things they (East Side) were doing coverage-wise and we took advantage of it."

One constant has been the effectiveness of senior quarterback Brian



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RAIDER WITH FIERCE DETERMINATION...Reserve Raider sophomore halfback Kyle Baker, No. 20, rushed for 116 yards with one touchdown and added an 18-yard reception.



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HAVING A VERY BIG AFTERNOON...Blue Devil halfback Terrence Jenkins, No. 5, rushed for 165 yards on just five carries against Kearny. Three of those carries went for touchdowns.

JENKINS RUSHES 165 YARDS, SCORES 3 TOUCHDOWNS

Blue Devils Strike Early, Rip Kardinal Footballers, 34-6

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Little time was wasted as the Westfield High School football team, eager to get on the offensive after its loss to Elizabeth on October 26, scored four touchdowns in the first half against the visiting Kearny Cardinals and coasted to a 34-6 victory on November 3. Senior halfback Terrence Jenkins needed only five rushes to gain 165 yards and to score on touchdown runs of eight, 38 and 70 yards.

"He had an excellent game, to have big runs like that and only carry the ball five times," said Blue Devil Head Coach Ed Tranchina.

Using numerous running backs, the Blue Devils amassed 233 yards rushing. In addition to the starting backfield, Rich Miller added four rushes for 15 yards, Brian Ludlum had three rushes for 11 yards and Pedro Ruiz had one for four yards.

The Blue Devil defense held the Cardinals to just 119 yards rushing

and 26 passing. The Cardinals' biggest play came with less than a minute left in the first half when Patryk Zdunek had a 50-yard run to the Blue Devil 11 before the drive was stopped flat by a Blue Devil defense comprised primarily of reserves.

Junior linebacker Pat Daly led in tackles with eight and senior linebacker Matt Daly had six. Chris MacKay, Jan Coccoziello, Tyshon Blackmon and Ludlum had five each. Matt Brinkman and Adam Tzesniowski each made four tackles while Brian Butts and Jay Cook both had three.

"We had no turnovers, no interceptions, no fumbles. And they only scored against our JV's and sophomores," Tranchina pointed out. "That was good."

Westfield (6-2) rumbled 60 yards on six plays for the first touchdown when Jenkins smashed through from the eight with 6:18 left in the first quarter. On the first play from scrimmage, Jenkins startled the Kearny

'BREZ' HOOKS CORNER TO MILLER FOR WINNER

Soccer Raider Boys Capture Second-Straight UC Crown

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History repeated itself as the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School boys' soccer team defeated A. L. Johnson (15-6) in the Union County Tournament final for the second year in a row. The Raiders stopped the Crusaders 2-0 in 2000 but needed a perfectly placed corner kick from midfielder Ryan Breznitsky to the properly placed head of Mike Miller to grab a 1-0 victory at Kean University in Union on November 4.

It was with 14:22 remaining in the game that Breznitsky hooked his kick from the left corner to Miller, who was waiting at the far post. Miller used his head perfectly to butt it into the upper right of the net out of the reach of Crusader goalie Craig McCarrick.

"Mike Miller is always one of the guys I am looking for. He's one of our strongest guys in there," explained Breznitsky. "I just served the ball hoping someone would get on the end of it. Luckily, he got to the back post. We work on shots like that every day in practice and it paid off today. We got the win. Mike Miller, he's the man of the night."

"I am always far post on those plays," Miller said. "He played it perfect, so it worked out great."

Additionally, with a few excep-

tions, the Raiders maintained a persistent offensive pressure. "That was definitely our intention. We wanted to recapture the Union County title and bring it back to Scotch Plains. We said to ourselves that we are not going to lose this title," said Breznitsky.

The Raiders' offense was espe-

cially formidable in the first half where the Crusader goal area experienced a constant shelling although several of the shots soared high over the crossbar. Making it particularly perilous was the effective flip throws in of sophomore Ed Zazalli to Taylor Cole or Jeff Hensal,

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SETTING UP FOR A RAIDER WIN...Raider Ryan Breznitsky, No. 9, tangles with Crusader midfielder Kevin Gloss during the Union County title game. Breznitsky set up the winning goal with a perfectly placed corner kick.

WILLIAMS, SCHAFFER SCORE, CONNORS SHINES

Blue Devil Girls Win U.C. Soccer Championship, 2-0

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The Westfield High School girls' soccer team, (10-8-1) won the Union County championship with a, 2-0, defeat of New Providence in Roselle Park on November 3. The 18-5 Pioneers, the Mountain Valley Conference Champions, defeated Westfield earlier in the season, but a much different group of Blue Devils swarmed aggressively finding the open man time after time.

After a scoreless first half, Blue Devils Head Coach Peter Giordano thought his team played well. "We locked them in, had a few opportunities, but just missed. We are just going to continue applying the pressure in the second half, change a few things, nothing major, just making sure we can clean the back up a little more. We've connected well on some passes, changed the field well, but we need to finish," he said.

Early in the second half, the Blue Devils set out on a mission of relentless penetration, zeroing in on net. That mission proved successful, as the offensive charge led by Elyse Goldweitz moved the ball with intensity into the Pioneer penalty area. Goldweitz looped the ball towards the top of the penalty area where sophomore striker Susan Williams charged through a host of defenders and blasted a rocket into the upper

right hand corner of the net at the 44:18 mark.

"Earlier in the season, I didn't think we get this far," said a joyous Williams after the game. "Picking up several wins in a row, then getting by Cranford and Summit, lifted our momentum and belief. It can't tell

you how very exciting it is to end it all with a championship, I'm really speechless."

The Blue Devils continued pressing with yet another serious assault minutes later. Williams, aware of her trailing teammates position, dropped

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RAIDERS GET 2ND, CARAVELLO WINS

Devils Capture 4th-Straight Sectional Gymnastics Title

The No. 1-ranked Westfield High School gymnastics team continued its quest for a state title by capturing its fourth-straight North Jersey, Section 2 crown in Union on November 2. The Blue Devils had a team total of 109.2 and senior Lauren Caravello won her fourth-straight all-around title with a personal-best total of 37.875.

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood girls put together a fine team performance to place second with a total of 103.95. Randolph finished third at 103.25 and Montclair was fourth with a total of 102.425.

Lauren Caravello, who was a two time state champion in the uneven bars, was edged by Raider sophomore Kyla Mendes for first in the

event, 9.25-9.225. Lauren was fabulous on the balance beam, placing first with a score of 9.6, and tied for first with her sister Jessica on the

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When founders, David and Nancy Van Brunt with Clinical Director, Timothy O'Kay, sought to provide pediatric service for the community, Eleanor was the obvious choice. She has over 20 years of physical therapy experience as well as the compassion and commitment needed to effectively treat our younger clients.

Eleanor Campbell graduated from Russel Sage Albany Medical College in 1977. She began to specialize while working with infants in a day care program. She presently provides school physical therapy as well as treatment in the office for infants and children. Eleanor is a member of the Pediatric Section of the American Physical Therapy Association, Pediatric Special Interest Group of NJAPTA and is a pediatric mentor for less experienced pediatric therapists. She is highly regarded by therapists and educators alike throughout the county.

ADVANCED Physical Therapy Associates is pleased to have Eleanor on our team of dedicated physical therapists and occupational therapists. Because of her love of life, she was appointed as chairperson of our "Happy Committee". Again she was the obvious choice to spread happiness and joy within our office. We all know why children smile and laugh in her presence and look forward to their time with "Ms. Eleanor".

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