

FOOTBALL

Johnson carries load in Tide's first win



Senior quarterback Jaden Johnson (6) ran wild versus rival Evansville, recording 271 rushing yards and three fourth-quarter running touchdowns.

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Edgerton senior quarterback Jaden Johnson is the definition of a dual threat. After throwing for four touchdowns and collecting 365 yards last week against McFarland, Johnson rushed for three fourth-quarter touchdowns this week as the Edgerton High School football team defeated rival Evansville 25-12 Friday in a Rock Valley road game.

"I thought he rose to the occasion, but I thought the key was the job our offensive line was doing," head coach Mike Gregory said.

Thanks to the offense line, which includes senior tackle Jordan Lietz, senior guard Cesar Ochoa, junior guard Ben Wileman, junior tackle Reed Farrington and senior center Trevor Evans, Johnson ran for touchdowns of 26, 34 and 66 yards in the final quarter of the game, en route to the senior quarterback recording 271 rushing yards for the day.

Edgerton (1-1) will host undefeated Brodhead/Juda Friday, as the Tide look to keep their groove going. Brodhead/Juda triumphed over Evansville 28-22 in the team's season opener this year.

"We know we got a tough

opponent coming up," Gregory said. "Our goal is to go 1-0 every week."

Going into the locker against Evansville for halftime, the Tide trailed 12-0.

"I think our kids believed they could play with Evansville," Gregory said. "They knew they could do that, but it was frustrating that we weren't. We just tried to settle down and said, 'hey guys come on, we're better than this, let's take it to them.'"

The Crimson finally got on the board in the third quarter when senior wide receiver Mason Simmons caught a pass and fumbled it into the end zone, which he recovered for a score. After that, it was all Johnson and his legs, as the senior scored three touchdowns in the final six minutes of the game.

Along with Johnson's 271 running yards, he also threw for 138 yards.

Junior Devin Jorgenson recorded 158 yards in his season debut. Senior tackle/defensive end Jordan Lietz also made his debut.

The Tide will look to avenge last year's 51-20 loss to Brodhead/Juda this week.

"They beat us last year, but we get them at home," Gregory said. "Hopefully we're ready to rise up to the occasion."

Tide defense stiffens



After giving up 57 points to McFarland last week, the Edgerton defense held Evansville to 12 points.

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After Edgerton head football coach called the Crimson Tide's tackling "awful" after last week's season opening defeat, the Crimson Tide responded in a big way with a stout defensive effort against Evansville.

"Our defense was leaps and bounds better," head coach Mike Gregory said. "We were swarming to the ball. There was times we had seven or eight guys around for gang tackles. They had some key stops. It was night and day."

Edgerton gave up 57 points and 557 yards of offense versus McFarland last Friday, but the Crimson Tide turned things around this week, holding Evansville to just two touchdowns and 243 yards of offense. The Blue Devils were only able to muster up two first downs in the second half.

After falling 12-0 to Evansville, it was the defense that kept the Tiders in the game until the Edgerton offense could get going.

"Defense basically kept us in that game and gave us an opportunity to win it at the end," Gregory said.

GIRL'S GOLF

Tiders take home two trophies



The girl's golf team after their victory at the Galena Invite. From left to right: Mary Gallup, Maddie Perkins, Mali Kruckenberg, Makenzie Suhr, Ale Bittner and Alexis Deavers.

Photo submitted by Cathy Kruckenberg

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The Edgerton girl's golf team added a few more pieces of hardware to the team's trophy shelf this week.

The Crimson Tide finished first at both the Galena Invitational and the Edgerton Invitational, while also placing second at a Rock Valley meet.

"I'm very proud of the girls," head coach Mary Gallup said. "They are working hard, and it shows in our matches."

Edgerton's first invitational victory this week came at the Galena Invitational in Galena, Ill.

Playing as the Tide's No. 4 golfer, junior Alexis Deavers led the Tide with a 92. The score not only put her at the top of Edgerton's leaderboard, but the

tournament's leaderboard as well.

"I think Alexis has improved greatly from last year to this year," Gallup said.

The Crimson Tide also claimed the second and third best scores at the tournament with senior Mali Kruckenberg shooting a 93 and senior Makenzie Suhr scoring a 96.

Senior Maddie Perkins rounded out the Tide's team score of 384 with a 103.

Sophomore Ale Bittner shot a 111 at the invite.

Just a day later, the Crimson Tide were back on the links with their third conference meet of the season, where the team finished second (193) at Lake Mills Golf Course.

Suhr finished as the Tide's top golfer, scoring

a 46. It looked like it was going to be a disaster day for Suhr after she triple-bogeyed the first two holes and then double-bogeyed the third hole. But, the senior stayed composed and ended the day with a birdie and a par on the eighth and ninth holes.

"As the girls have matured, they are learning to overcome difficulties, overcome the emotional stress of having a bad couple of holes," Gallup said.

Kruckenberg fired a 48, sinking in three pars in the process and finishing second amongst Crimson Tide golfers.

Just behind Kruckenberg was Perkins and Deavers, with a 49 and a 50, respectively.

Jefferson entered the meet one point ahead of

Edgerton for the top spot in the Rock Valley. The Eagles won the meet with a 188, increasing their lead over Edgerton to two points in the conference standings.

Two days later on Friday, the Crimson Tide squeezed out a win in the Edgerton Invitational at the Towne Country Club, collecting one less stroke than runner up Janesville Craig.

The Tide shot a 407 at the eight-team invite, this time with Kruckenberg finishing with Edgerton's best score with a 91. Kruckenberg tied for the second best score at the invite.

Suhr also shot in the 90s with a 98, good for second amongst Tide golfers. Perkins and Deavers fired a 108 and a 100, respectively. Bittner posted a 119.

Edgerton played in an invitational Tuesday, Aug. 28, at Baraboo Country Club, but results were not available by publication. A full story on the invite will be in next week's paper.

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TRIVIA

Answers

Trivia for August 29

1. Throw it away
2. Starboard
3. U.S. Marine, Also known as a bullet sponge or gyrene
4. Six feet
5. Gitmo, the U.S. Naval Station in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, was established in 1903.
6. A commissioned officer who started as an enlisted service member
7. USS Langley
8. Rhode Island
9. The Secretary of the Navy
10. Blue and gold
11. Oct. 13, 1775
12. John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter and George H.W. Bush served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. In fact, every president from 1961 to 1993 save for Ronald Reagan was a Navy veteran!

Bonus answer #1: Vietnam
Bonus question #2: Munitions handler
Bonus answer #3: Jupiter

