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SCOT GRIDDERS POST RECORD FINISH

Behind a record breaking scoring pace that produced a 41.2 points-per-game average, Edinboro University posted one of its most successful football seasons in history this year when the talent-laden Scots rolled to an 8-2 slate and were ranked as high as eighth in the country among NCAA Division II schools. Enroute to the winning mark, which was highlighted by an impressive 28-8 victory over Clarion--the eventual Pennsylvania Conference champion, Coach Denny Creehan's gridders registered 19 new records while tying three other marks.

Junior quarterback Blair Hrovat (Northfield, OH) directed a high-powered Edinboro wing-T offense that netted a record 4,611 yards and revised the single season scoring standard with 412 points. Hrovat personally accounted for 10 new marks which included most plays-career (686), most yards total offense-season (1,938), most total offense-career (4,244 yards), most completions-season (99), most completions-game (18), most touchdown passes-career (35), most touchdown passes-season (19), most passing yards-career (3586), most total offense-career (4,244) and most touchdown passes-game (4). The junior signal caller proved to be one of the most accurate passers in the nation by hitting on 99 of 181 attempts for sparkling 54.7 percentage figure.

His top targets were a pair of halfbacks in senior Ron Rankin (Canton, OH) and junior Bob Klenk (Pittsburgh) along with wide receiver Gary McKnight (Orlando, FL). Rankin, who was sidelined three games, snared 21 passes for 297 yards with Klenk pulling down 17 for 278 and McKnight, who claimed the longest scoring toss

of the season--a 68-yard strike, latching onto 16 for 428 yards. Senior tight end Don Harr (Pittsburgh) finished with 10 grabs for 185 yards, five of which were TD receptions to lead the team in that category.

A trio of backs produced more than 500 yards on the year with senior fullback Keith Collier (Gibsonia) rambling for 577, junior halfback Bob Klenk winding his way for 517 and fleet-footed sophomore Damon Chambers (Willingboro, NJ) totaling 507. Klenk proved to be the club's top point getter with 12 touchdowns and a pair of PAT conversions for 76 markers with Chambers claiming third place honors via his eight TD's and 48 tallies.

Paving the way for the Fighting Scot offense were First Team All-Conference senior linemen Rick Rosenberg (Chesterland, OH) and Buddy Carroll (Alexandria, VA). Rosenberg, a 6-4, 250-pound offensive tackle, and Carroll, a 6-2, 230-pound center, were the mainstays of a front wall that provided the blocking for a record 461.1 yards per game.

Placekicker Jim Trueman (Bellvue) also inked his name in the Edinboro record book and became the first freshman in conference history to earn a first team berth. The rookie booter revised both the extra point standard for the season-39, and set a new single game mark with seven successful conversions. He also nailed down runnerup honors in the scoring department with his 69 total points.

Not to be denied their share of the limelight was a defensive unit that was the second stingiest against the rush in Edinboro's gridiron history by allowing only 65.6 yards per game and permitted only 14.4 points per game.

Spearheading a stubborn Edinboro defense was the linebacking duo of Willie Chealey (Orlando, FL) and Jim Durkin (Westchester, NY) who posted respective 122 and 101 tackle totals. The hard hitting Chealey, who returned to action after breaking his leg last fall, was also a Pennsylvania Conference first team selection.

Rounding out the tackling leaders were senior middle guard John O'Rourke (Pittsburgh) with 86 stops, senior defensive ends Bob Beauregard (Grand Island, NY) and Phil Giavasis (Canton, OH) showing identical 75-hit outputs, followed by junior tackles Rick Jordan (Jamestown, NY) who showed 64 thumps, and Don Espy (Brookville) with 61 tackles. Jordan, likewise an all-conference selection, was the club's top sack getter with 12 and now has a career total of 22, just five shy of the 27-sack team record.

Headlining the secondary was senior safety Dave Parker (Industry) who intercepted three aerials while breaking up 13 passing attempts. Parker concluded his career in the Scots secondary tied for runnerup honors on the interceptions chart with 12.

Creehan's chargers also claimed the distinction of extending another club record in the win column. The Fighting Scots have not suffered a loss at opponents' stadiums since 1981 and now own a streak of 13 consecutive away victories. The 43 second half points against Mercyhurst set a team record while the six interceptions against Shippensburg revised still another standard.

Creehan, who followed up last year's impressive 9-2 card with this year's 8-2 record, moved into the top spot percentage-wise on the all-time win list among past Edinboro coaches. The Scots' fifth-year mentor now owns a 31-18-1 mark for a .633 winning percentage which surpassed the previous high of .614 posted by former coach Bill McDoanld on the strength of his 54-34-7 chart.

With 14 of 22 starters scheduled for duty next fall and a solid nucleus of 30 lettermen returning, the Fighting Scots should continue their winning ways and prove to once again be a contender for the Western Division title.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SCOTS FACE NATIONALLY RATED, UNBEATEN CLARION

For the first time this season Edinboro University is the decided underdog this Saturday when the 5-2 Fighting Scots travel to play Clarion, champions of the Pennsylvania Conference's Western Division. The Golden Eagles take a perfect 7-0 record into the clash and were ranked fourth in the nation among NCAA Division II schools with the prospects of climbing even higher this week.

Clarion is riding the crest of a 10-game winning streak that, ironically, started a year ago at the expense of the Fighting Scots. The Eagles soared into Sox Harrison Stadium and posted a 22-20 verdict that severed a 10-game Edinboro win streak while the Scots were enjoying a perfect 7-0 season mark. The loss was the Scots only blemish enroute to the PSAC Western Division title which the Eagles tucked in the nest with a 35-24 clawing of Indiana this past Saturday.

Also on the line, quite coincidentally, is an Edinboro record for wins on the road that began at Clarion two years ago. Combined with last weekend's 59-0 shutout at Buffalo State, the Scots have won 12 consecutive road games with number 13 in dire jeopardy against the Western Champions in Saturday's 1:30 p.m. collision.

The matchup should prove to be a spectator's delight as the two point-potent offenses square off at Clarion's Memorial Field. The Fighting Scots enter the fray averaging 37.1 points per game while the Eagles light up the scoreboard at a 30.6 pace. Both teams are, likewise, quite efficient moving the football with Edinboro churning out 446 yards an outing and Clarion tearing up the turf at a 380 yards per game rate.

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Clarion, much like Indiana, will pose the biggest problem for the Scots with their passing game orchestrated by quarterback Pat Carbol. The sophomore signal caller has connected on over 60 per cent of his passes for 1,087 yards and 12 touchdowns.

Junior split end Terry McFetridge, an AP All-American honorable mention a year ago, headlines an arsenal of receivers who Carbol looks for in the offense. McFetridge has grabbed 37 tosses for 656 yards and a team leading nine touchdowns. Also on tap are alternating flankers Scott Ickes (8 rec.-141 yds.) and Bob Green (9 rec.-110 yds.)

Edinboro's defense will be hard pressed to contain the running of tailback Elton Brown and halfback Geoff Alexander. Brown is averaging almost 100 yards per game and is second in scoring with eight touchdowns. Alexander has chipped in 216 yards in six appearances.

Edinboro's offensive guns are holstered by quarterback Blair Hrovat and a corps of running backs featuring fullback Keith Collier who is complemented by halfbacks Bob Klenk and Damon Chambers.

Hrovat, now Edinboro's career record holder in TD tosses with 26, has registered 69 completions for 1,138 yards and 10 touchdowns. His top target, Ron Rankin (19-275), is sidelined with an injury but Gary McKnight (13-347) and Bob Klenk (10-117) are readily available.

Stepping into the picture this past weekend was a healthy Eric Bosley. The sure-handed wide receiver caught three passes, all for touchdowns against Buffalo, to tie an EUP record.

Being put to the test against a Clarion offense which shows balance on the ground (196.9) and through the air (183.0) is a stingy Scot defense yielding only 85 yards per game against the rush and a much more generous, but respectable 193 passing.

Receiving the brunt of the Eagle attack with their respective tackles are linebacker Willie Chealey (93), ends Phil Giavasis (51) and Bob Beauregard (48), tackle Rick Jordan (50), linebacker Jim Durkin (63) and middle guard John O'Rorke (63). Secondary starters scheduled to check Carbol's aerial bombardment are Dan Gierlak, Dave Parker, Greg Rose and Ray Bracy.

Edinboro closes out the 1983 campaign at home the following two weeks by hosting conference foe Lock Haven and nearby Mercyhurst.

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Bosley, Hrovat Spark Scots Over Buffalo State
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Paced by the record-tying performances of Eric Bosley and Blair Hrovat, the Edinboro University Fighting Scots buried host Buffalo State, 59-0.

Bosley, a junior from Willingboro, New Jersey, caught three touchdown passes to tie the record set by Mike Romeo (1971) and Tim Beacham (1980). The 5-9 split end, playing in just his third game due to injuries, set up another score with a 34-yard kickoff return. He finished the afternoon with three catches for 54 yards.

Junior quarterback Blair Hrovat tied his own mark of a year ago with four touchdown passes. The Northfield, OH native completed five of nine passes for 130 yards against the Bengals.

The Scots took control of the game immediately following the opening kickoff. On third down and one at the Edinboro 29, Bob Klenk burst through the Bengal line and scampered 41 yards to the Buffalo 30. Hrovat capped off the drive with a 10-yard toss to Bosley with 8:54 remaining in the first half. Keith Collier added the two-point conversion to give Edinboro an 8-0 lead.

Hrovat and Bosley struck again early in the second stanza. The Scots started on their own 13 following a Buff State punt, and were pushed back to the six after an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty on the bench. Collier picked up 16 on first down to put the ball at the 22. He then broke through the line for 25 yards to move the ball out to the EU 47. Damon Chambers and Henry Mesa each picked up 15 yards to put the Scots on the Buffalo 23. Ray Rhodes gained five on first

down to set up Hrovat's 18-yard pass to Bosley with 11:03 left in the half.

That same combination lit up the scoreboard again with 8:32 to go. Hrovat threw 26-yards to Bosley following Chamber's eight-yard gain on first down. Jim Trueman's kick gave the Scots a 21-0 edge.

Bosley put the Scots in business to start the second half with a 34-yard kickoff return. Hrovat connected with Gary McKnight for a 66-yard score. Edinboro took a 27-0 lead with 14:12 remaining in the third quarter.

Chambers decided to get into the act with a 49-yard punt return with 12:52 left in the period. Trueman's kick gave the Scots a 34-0 advantage.

The sophomore sensation scored again at the 8:49 mark from six yards out. Klenk started the drive off with a 15-yard run on first down. Mesa picked up 14 on first and ten from the Bengal 15 to set up Chamber's score. Klenk threw to Collier for the conversion to give Edinboro a 42-0 lead.

Defensive end Phil Giavasis intercepted Mike Nugent's attempted screen pass and returned it 34 yards, to the Buffalo 34. Klenk took the ball over from the eight with 1:53 on the third quarter clock. Trueman's boot made it 49-0.

The Scots added two scores in the fourth quarter. Trueman kicked a 35-yard field goal with 7:16 left on the clock, and Ray Rhodes added a ten-yard run with 2:50 remaining. Dan Gierlak added the extra point to close out the scoring.

Collier led all rushers with 101 yards on eleven carries. Klenk picked up 81 yards on eight rushes. Rhodes rushed for 65 on 12 tries.

The Scots rolled up 513 yards total offense, 383 on the ground and 130 through the air.

Bob Beauregard was the leading tackler with ten. Jim Durkin added eight hits to pace a stingy defense that allowed 120 yards in total offense. The Bengals could only muster 38 yards rushing and 82 passing.

The Scots will be on the road this weekend to take on nationally ranked Clarion at 1:30 p.m. Mike Gallagher, Patty Kennedy, and Jim Kahler will air the game on WFSE, 88.9 on the FM dial.

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SCOT GRIDDERS SEEK THIRD STRAIGHT

Edinboro University's football team, one of the highest scoring gridiron contingents in the nation, closes out conference competition this Saturday when the Scots host Western Division foe Lock Haven in a 1:30 p.m. tilt at Sox Harrison Stadium. Coach Denny Creehan's 6-2 club is seeking its third straight win at the expense of a Bald Eagle eleven that stands 2-6 on the season and is winless in league play.

"After such an emotional effort like we had against Clarion," offered Creehan, "we'll have to guard against a letdown even though Lock Haven hasn't been that successful. I think, by now, everyone realizes that every team in this conference has to be respected," the Scot mentor concluded.

Creehan was referring to the 28-8 victory that Edinboro registered over third-ranked Clarion last week to drop the Golden Eagles from the ranks of the unbeaten. The win also extended a record that saw Edinboro run its consecutive win streak on the road to 16 straight victories. The Plaidsmen have not lost an away game since 1981, a mark that can't be challenged until the 1984 season.

The Bald Eagles pin their hopes on the running of All-ECAC and All-Pennsylvania Conference tailback Mike Kresovich. The 5-7, 160-pound workhorse has galloped for 874 yards this year and owns a career output of 2,764 yards for Lock Haven. Kresovich also holds the team's scoring lead on the strength of seven touchdowns and is averaging 109.3 yards per game.

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In spite of their dismal record, the Bald Eagles have been impressive against the passing game. Lock Haven is the Western Division passing defense leader allowing only 126.4 yards per game in the airways.

Linebacker Willie Chealey leads the tackling assault with his 101 stops followed by hard hitting linebacker Jim Durkin with 81 jolts. Nose guard John O'Rorke at 71 hits is sandwiched by ends Phil Giavasis and Bob Beauregard who show identical 61 tackle totals. Tackle Rick Jordan rounds out the quintet of headline hitters with 58 thumps and a team leading 11 sacks.

Protecting the passing lanes in the secondary are Dave Parker, Greg Rose, Ray Bracy and Keith Rose.

The Scots defense in allowing only 86.4 yards per game on the ground and has permitted only one score in the last nine quarters of play.

In the meantime the Scots point-potent offense has been giving the scoreboard lights a workout. The Scots are averaging 36.0 points per game which ranks number two offensively in the nation. On the ground the Plaid is tearing up the turf at a 271 yards per game rate combined with a 162 aerial attack that nets a record breaking 434 yards per contest.

Main cogs in the Scots running game are fullback Keith Collier (64.0 yards per game), halfbacks Bob Klenk (49.6) and Damon Chambers (48.9). The entire cast is directed by junior quarterback Blair Hrovat with his career record 28 TD tosses, who has sizzled on 82 of 153 attempts for 1300 yards and 12 touchdown passes on the year.

Paving the way for the offensive unit is a line that has matured with each game. The trench brigade includes Rick Rosenberg (6-4, 250, T), Dom Grande (6-0, 250, G), Buddy Carroll (6-2, 230, C), Scott Weinhold (6-4, 240, G) and Jim Ritt (6-5, 250, T) who is rotated with Mark Wallace (6-3, 250). Rosenberg and Carroll are the lone seniors who will be winding up their careers up front.

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Lock Haven's top tackler is 6-0, 220 middle guard Chris Kustanbauter who anchors Coach Jack Fisher's 5-2 defense. He is followed by 6-1, 205 linebacker Bill Peterson, free safety Dan Miller, 6-1, 195 end Mark Olesnevich and 6-2, 250 tackle Brian Smith.

While most onlookers point to the mismatch the game should be on paper, Creehan shudders at the thought. The Bald Eagles have been a thorn in his side ever since he became the Scots grid boss in 1974. During that four year span his chargers have posted numerous impressive wins but have beaten the Bald Eagles only once.

While most national statistics reflect the top ranked figures of Edinboro's high powered offense, credit must be given to the Scots defensive corps. The unit shut down Clarion's running game last Saturday yielding only 95 yards on the ground to the Golden Eagles. Quarterback Pat Carbol, who had been sacked only twice all year was tossed to the turf seven times by Fighting Scot defenders.

Edinboro will draw the curtain on its 1983 regular season schedule next Saturday against nearby Mercyhurst. While the chances of the Scots receiving a post season bid with two losses is slim, selection still looms as a possibility with the right combination of losses among the national leaders.

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FIGHTING SCOTS SHOCK THIRD-RANKED CLARION
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Clarion, PA-The Edinboro University Fighting Scots shocked a crowd of 4,500 at Clarion's Memorial Field as they trounced the third-ranked Golden Eagles, 28-8, this past Saturday.

A fired-up Edinboro defense, led by Jim Durkin's 18 tackles, held Clarion's powerful ground game to 95 yards, minus three in the second half. Bob Beau regard and Sean Henderson had 13 hits apiece, while Phil Giavasis was in on ten stops, to pace the Scot defense to seven sacks. Carbol had been sacked only twice in the seven previous games.

Edinboro went on top midway through the first quarter and never trailed. The Scots got good field position following a Tim Dietz punt from the end zone. On first and ten from the CU 35, Damon Chambers ran right for six yards. On second down, Chambers ran to the left for 15 and a first down at the Clarion 14. Blair Hrovat hit Keith Collier for an 11-yard score with 7:02 remaining. Jim Trueman booted the extra point to give the Scots a 7-0 advantage.

The Golden Eagles threatened to tie the score early in the second period. On second and 14 from the CU 15, Elton Brown broke through the middle for a 29-yard gain. On fourth and six from the Edinboro 34, Dietz set up for a punt, but his blocker, Lorenzo Burrus, took the snap and ran 14 yards for the first down. The Eagles drove to the nine, but were stopped when Ray Bracy intercepted Pat Carbol's pass in the end zone to Scott Ickes on first and goal.

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Edinboro added another score before the half to take a 14-0 lead. Starting on their own 20, the Scots drove 80 yards in 5:10. On a second down and two at the EU 42, Hrovat connected with Eric Bosley for a 12-yard gain. Five plays later, Gary McKnight ran an end around for 18 yards to move the ball to the Clarion 12. Bob Klenk took the ball over from the four with 0:28 to give the Scots the 14-point edge.

The entire third quarter was played on the Edinboro side of the field as Clarion started on the EU 26, 43, 48, 30 and 36. The Scots fumbled three times in the third stanza, but the tenacious defense stopped the Golden Eagles three times on fourth down.

Clarion's lone score came early in the fourth quarter. Carbol teamed up with Ickes for a five-yard touchdown pass following a Chambers fumble at the Edinboro 27. Carbol connected with Terry McFetridge for the two-point conversion to bring the Eagles within six, 14-8, with 14:11 to go in the game.

The Scots put the game out of reach with 9:46 remaining. After the Scots stopped Clarion on a fourth and two play, Hrovat threw 20 yards to Henry Mesa to put the ball at the 50. Hrovat picked up seven on a first down option, and Klenk gained five more on second down. McKnight ran another end around, this time he broke free and scored from the 38. Hrovat threw to Klenk for the conversion to give the Scots a 22-8 lead.

Edinboro got the ball back with 8:00 left and drove 74 yards in ten plays. Don Harr hauled in a Hrovat pass from nine yards out with 3:37 remaining to close out the scoring.

Chambers picked up 92 yards on 16 tries, while Klenk rushed for 40 yards on 14 attempts. McKnight gained 56 on his two runs. The Scots totaled 230 yards on the ground on 50 tries.

Hrovat completed ten of 16 passes for 118 yards. Bosley, Collier and Klenk each pulled in two apiece. Hrovat's two touchdown passes puts his season total at 12. He has 28 in his three years as a Scot.

Kevin Conlan broke Bob Buckheit's 1964 record with a 82-yard punt early in the fourth frame.

The 6-2 Scots will host Lock Haven this weekend at Sox Harrison Stadium. Kickoff is set for 1:30 p.m., and all the action can be heard live on WFSE, 88.9, on the FM dial.

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EDINBORO FALL SPORTS WRAP UP by Kevin Southard

As the winter sport schedule begins to swing into full force at Edinboro University, the Fighting Scot autumn ledger produced two winning campaigns and a Pennsylvania Conference individual champion.

For the sixth consecutive year the men's cross country team under the tutelage of Doug Watts earned a trip to the NCAA Division II Championships in Kenosha, Wisconsin. The running Scots placed 14th nationally with a team that included eight freshmen, six sophomores and two juniors. Other noteworthy accomplishments include a second-place finish in the 38-team NCAA Northeast Regional, the championship of the Buffalo State Invitational and the continuance of a 56-straight dual match streak that dates back to 1972.

Coach George Vierkorn's Lady Scot tennis team swung their racquets to a 7-4 dual match record and a fourth-place finish at the Pennsylvania Conference Championships. Freshman Karen Morgan topped off a sensational rookie season by capturing the conference crown in the number two singles flight. She teamed up with senior Mary Ann Chilcott to post a 14-2 doubles mark and a second-place showing in the number one doubles at the conference championships in Shippensburg.

In just four seasons of intercollegiate competition, the women's cross country team of Coach Bill McDonald has established itself as a top-notch running program in the Pennsylvania Conference. The Lady Scots raced to a fourth-place finish in the conference along with capturing the team title of the Akron Invitational. Overall, the Lady Scots posted a 2-2 dual match slate

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and concluded their season with a very respectable fourth-place showing at the NCAA Northeast Regional in Worcester, MA.

Coach Pat McLane's Lady Scot volleyball team faced a rugged 1983 schedule with an inexperienced roster that included five freshmen, four sophomores and two seniors on the eleven-spiker roster. Their 9-23 record is deceiving considering they played some of the toughest volleyball teams on the eastern seaboard.

The men's soccer team under the direction of Coach George Shimpeno suffered through a 1-11-2 season, and, like McLane, faced a stiff schedule with a new bunch of faces in the lineup. The Fighting Scot booters had 12 freshmen and two sophomores on the 22-man roster, but the stage is set to build a solid soccer foundation for the future.