

Jackrabbits Don't Expect To Be Awestruck In Return To Lincoln

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The Press & Dakotan will be in Lincoln, Neb. today. You can follow our updates on Twitter. Watch for full coverage online at www.yankton.net and in Monday's editions.

Three years ago, South Dakota State walked onto the Memorial Stadium field and nearly beat the sixth-ranked Huskers. The final score that day was 17-3.

No no, the Jackrabbits don't figure to be awestruck in today's (Saturday) 2:30 p.m. matchup with embattled —

and unranked — Nebraska in Lincoln, Neb.

"With them being a bigger school, teams can get intimidated by just hearing Nebraska," said SDSU junior offensive lineman Trevor Greger, a Wagner native. "You just have to keep your mind on they're a football team just like you."

The Huskers (2-1) have, however, been mired in a rough week.

On top of a 41-21 blowout loss to UCLA in Lincoln, Nebraska head coach Bo Pelini found himself not only battling former standout Tommie Frazier over a critical tweet but answering for 2-year-old leaked audio littered with expletives.

Meanwhile, the sixth-ranked Jackrabbits (3-0) have focused only on football.

"I think what's going on down there, them having lost to UCLA at home, is potentially good for us, in terms of our pressure and distraction and all the talk," head coach John Stiegelmeier said this week.

"But we can't get caught up in that."

Instead, the Jackrabbits are seeking their first FBS win in their sixth try. SDSU has been close, though, losing by three at Minnesota (2009), by 14 at Nebraska (2010) and by 14 at Kansas (2012).

"They're going to come out firing.

They want to make a statement," said redshirt freshman linebacker Tom Peitz, a native of Crofton, Neb. "For us, it's just another game, but we want to show the world that SDSU is for real."

Nebraska, on the other hand, naturally wants to rise the ranks in the Big Ten Conference.

If last week's loss showed one thing, it was that the Huskers struggle against the pass. A year ago, Nebraska's defense limited opposing quarterbacks to a 46.8 completion percentage — best in FBS.

This year? That percentage is 62.3.

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Trojans Trip Wagner 30-12

WAGNER — Mitch Heisinger rushed for 66 yards and passed for 52 yards Friday night, leading the Parkston Trojans in a 30-12 win against rival Wagner in Wagner.

Heisinger had two touchdowns in the win, while Miles Semmler and Brady Reiff each rushed for 33 yards.

Andrew Semmer returned two interceptions for touchdowns in the first quarter, helping the visiting Trojans (4-0) to an early 22-0 lead after one frame.

David Kocer rushed for 123 yards for the Red Raiders (2-1), with Dylan Brunsing rushing for 36 yards and passing for 64 yards.

Wagner hosts Beresford next week, and the Trojans host Winner.

PARKSTON (4-0).....22 0 8 0 — 30
WAGNER (2-1).....0 6 6 0 — 12

Bon Homme 19, Tri-Valley 0

COLTON — The Bon Homme Cavaliers ran for 213 yards in a 19-0 shutout of Tri-Valley, last year's state Class 11B runner-up, on Friday night in Colton.

Dakota Bodden rushed for 151 yards and a touchdown for the Cavs (2-2), while Hunter Young added 41 yards and a score. Bon Homme did all its scoring in the third quarter.

Quarterback Scott Van Winkle's only pass attempt went for a touchdown to Chase Kortan.

In the loss for the Mustangs (2-2), Austin Van Asselt rushed for 58 yards and Clark Haugen added 53 yards on the ground.

Next Friday, Tri-Valley visits Canton and Bon Homme has a bye.

BON HOMME.....0 0 19 0 — 19
TRI-VALLEY (2-2).....0 0 0 0 — 0

Scotland 14, Andes Central 8

LAKE ANDES — Tim Madden rushed had 16 carries and 160 yards Friday night to lead the Scotland Highlanders in a 14-8 win against the Andes Central Eagles.

Madden also had one catch for 10 yards, while Seth Ireland had 10 yards passing. Anthony Wallock had 11 tackles in the win.

Zach Cournoyer had 14 carries and 92 yards for the Eagles, with Joey Evans putting up 10 carries for 87 yards, 24 yards passing and 15 tackles. Leo Hopkins also had 12 tackles on the night.

Scotland hosts Gayville-Volin Friday, and Andes Central has a bye week.

SCOTLAND (2-2).....0 6 0 8 — 14
ANDES CENTRAL (1-3).....0 0 8 0 — 8

Dakota Valley 33, Elk Point-Jefferson 7

ELK POINT — Blake Perryman rushed for 98 yards and three touchdowns to lead Dakota Valley past Elk Point-Jefferson on Friday night in Elk Point.

Perryman had scoring runs of 5, 1 and 28 yards. Isaac Faldmo completed 9-of-15 passes for 173 yards, with 110 yards going to Blake Van Winkel.

The only touchdown for EPJ was on a 20-yard run by Cody Davis in the fourth quarter. The Huskies rushed for 93 yards and passed for 41 in the loss.

DAKOTA VALLEY.....13 6 13 0 — 33
ELK POINT-JEFFERSON.....0 0 0 7 — 7

Burke-South Central 47, Gayville-Volin 6

GAYVILLE — Turner and Tyson Serr combined to rush

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Parkston's Andrew Semmler steps in front of a pass for a second-quarter interception during Friday night's game in Wagner. Semmler returned the interception for a touchdown, his second pick-six of the first half.

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Soccer: Coyotes, UND Play To 2-2 Draw

GRAND FORKS, N.D. — South Dakota soccer fought back from an early two-goal deficit to earn a 2-2 tie against North Dakota Friday afternoon at Bronson Field. It is the third straight year the Coyotes and UND have played to a tie.

North Dakota (1-7-1) scored two goals in a span of 35 seconds 10 minutes into the match. It marked the second-fastest margin between two goals in UND history.

Robyn Wujkowski received a pass from Caitlin Dahl and chipped a shot over USD goalkeeper Mackenzie Viktor to score her second goal of the season. After the restart, UND hit the right post with the shot and Andrea Hyduke was there for the rebound and the score.

"They (UND) came out hard

and strong," said USD head coach Mandy Green. "After that happened, we settled down, started passing the ball along and generated a lot of scoring opportunities."

The Coyotes (4-2-3) took 19 shots and placed eight on goal. Ten of those shots came in the second half.

USD sophomore Elena Tsakakis cut the lead in half with a goal in the 34th minute. Tsakakis was on the end of a string of passes that set up the score. After Taylor Nivala worked it to Tsakakis, she took a couple dribbles towards the goal and hit a shot past UND goalkeeper Kristi Hestdalen.

The score remained 2-1 until sophomore Danielle Anderson netted the equalizer less than five minutes into the second

half. Junior Colleen Reeves made a throw in to sophomore Rebecca Sparkman, who redirected it with her head to Anderson, who finished the play. It was her team-leading fourth goal this season.

"We fought and worked our way back after those two early goals," said Green. "I was pleased with how our passing got a lot of players involved in the offense, which is what we worked on in practice this week."

South Dakota out-shot North Dakota 13-7 in the second half and overtimes, but the Coyotes just missed on a couple of shots and couldn't get the go-ahead score. The team returns to Vermillion and will take on Northern Iowa at noon Sunday at the USD Soccer Complex.

Pettitte's Take On His Own Hall Of Fame Resume

NEW YORK (AP) — Andy Pettitte has never thought of himself as a Hall of Fame pitcher. Now that he's announced his plans to retire after this season, an interesting debate will begin.

The New York Yankees left-hander is 255-152 with a 3.86 ERA in 18 major league seasons. That makes him one of 26 pitchers — the only one still active — with a record at least 100 games over .500.

Eighteen of those pitchers are in the Hall of Fame, and five who aren't have not been retired long enough to appear on the ballot. According to STATS, the only exceptions are Bob Caruthers, who went 217-98 from 1884-1893, and Roger Clemens, a 354-game winner tainted by steroids allegations.

Pettitte admitted using human growth hormone years ago, saying he tried the banned substance in an effort to recover faster from an injury.

"I don't think about the Hall of Fame unless someone asks me," he said Friday, adding he's grateful just to be mentioned in that conversation with other stars such as Yankees teammates Mariano Rivera and Derek Jeter.

"I've had the success that I've had because of so many great players that have been around me."

Bucks Fall On Road



JOHN DAVIS/ABERDEEN AMERICAN NEWS

Yankton's J.J. Hejna, left, comes down with a completed pass as Aberdeen Central's Greyson Phillips, right, closes in for the tackle during the first half of Friday night's game at Swisher Field. Hejna became Yankton's all-time leader in career receptions and receiving yards, but the Bucks fell 34-21. Full information on the game was not available at presstime.

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Coyotes Head To Northern Arizona In Return From Bye Week

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VERMILLION — Sixteen games.

Three years. That's how long the 'road losing streak' black cloud has been hanging over the USD football team.

In short, it's been a while since the Coyotes (1-1) have won a game away from the DakotaDome.

"A long while," junior quarterback Josh Vander Maten pointed out this week.

USD will have a chance to end that streak — along with 23 games without a win over a ranked team — today (Saturday) when it plays at No. 25 Northern Arizona. Kickoff is 5 p.m. Central in Flagstaff.

"It'd be a good confidence boost for the team," Vander Maten said. "It's something on our minds, but it's just the next game; we want to win that next game, wherever it is."

Following a bye after a Sept. 7 loss at Kansas, the Coyotes have been gearing up for their second of three consecutive road games. The road hasn't been kind, however, as USD's last such victory was at Minnesota in 2010.

"If you want to be a champion, you have to win on the road," said senior cornerback

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Bucks Third At Mitchell

MITCHELL — Sioux Falls O'Gorman beat out Lincoln and Yankton for top honors at the Mitchell Invitational boys' golf tournament, held Friday at Mitchell's Lakeview Golf Course.

O'Gorman shot 301 as a team, with defending Class AA champion Lincoln three strokes back. Yankton shot 311 to finish third, followed by Brandon Valley and Watertown.

Parkston, the lone Class A team in the 19-team field, tied for 11th at 328. Douglas was the lone Class AA team not competing, while host Mitchell fielded two complete lineups.

Lincoln's Tommy Vining shot a 1-over 73 to earn medalist honors, one stroke ahead of three golfers: Washington's Dayton Schumacher and O'Gorman's Ben Rogers and Sam Olson. Parkston's Jake Webber and Yankton's Brandon Frick and Jace Guthmiller were in a group at 75.

Also for Yankton, Mitch Schlingman shot 80, Ben Jensen and Lane Sawatzke each shot 81 and Logan Megard shot 86.

For Parkston, Garrett Hohn shot 81, Jacob Lee, Jamie Smith and Ty Kinneberg each shot 86, and Alex Scott shot 87.

Next up for Yankton is the Eastern South Dakota Conference Championships, Sept. 28 at Pierre. Start time is 10 a.m.

TEAM SCORES: S.F. O'Gorman 301, S.F. Lincoln 304, Yankton 311, Brandon Valley 317, Watertown 320, R.C. Stevens 324, S.F. Washington 324, R.C. Central 325, Aberdeen Central 325, Harrisburg 327, Huron 328, Parkston 328, Brookings 339, Pierre 339, Mitchell 347, Sturgis 355, S.F. Roosevelt 361, Spearfish 362, Mitchell Black 363.

TOP 10: Tommy Vining, SF Lincoln 73; Ben Rogers, SF O'Gorman 74; Dayton Schumacher, SF Washington 74; Sam Olson, SF O'Gorman 74; Brandon Frick, Yankton 75; Cole Peterson, SF Lincoln 75; Drew Mahowald, Watertown 75; Jace Guthmiller, Yankton 75; Jake Weber, Parkston 75; Max Donohue, SF O'Gorman 75.

OTHER AREA: Mitch Schlingman, Yankton 80; Ben Jensen, Yankton 81; Garrett Hohn, Parkston 81; Lane Sawatzke, Yankton 81; Jacob Lee, Parkston 86; Jamie Smith, Parkston 86; Logan Megard, Yankton 86; Ty Kinneberg, Parkston 86; Alex Scott, Parkston 87.

Elk Point-Jefferson Inv.

ELK POINT — Dakota Valley shot a team score of 332 to score a 12-stroke victory in the Elk Point-Jefferson boys' golf invitational, held on Friday at Pointe Golf and Event Center in Elk Point.

Vermillion finished second with a 344, followed by Canton and West Central, each at 351.

Tea Area's Colin Murphy and West Central's Dylan From each shot 79, but Murphy earned top honors. Dakota Valley's Ben Williams and Canton's Kevin Frick each finished one stroke off the pace.

TEAM SCORES: Dakota Valley 332, Vermillion 344, Canton 351, West Central 351, Dell Rapids 362, Elk Point-Jefferson 390.

TOP 15: Colin Murphy, Tea Area 79; Dylan From, West Central 79; Kevin Frick, Canton 80; Ben Williams, Dakota Valley 80; Riley Danielson, West Central 82; Cooper Williams, Vermillion 83; Thomas High, Dakota Valley 83; Andrew Heine, Vermillion 83; Tyler Schunk, Dakota Valley 84; Carter Andre, Vermillion 85; Jameson Bell, Dakota Valley 85; Cole Rockafellow, West Central 86; Cameron Stone, West Central 87; Jordan Sehr, Canton 87; Jarod Mau, Elk Point-Jefferson 88.