

## Rebels at the Fargodome . . .

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Blake Borst led the Rebels in tackles with 20 over the Wheaton Warriors at the Fargodome. —photo by Jason Nelson



Jerod Nelson attempted to get a hand on the ball to dislodge it from the Wheaton player's hands. Nelson led the receivers with six catches for 69 yards. —photo by Matt Ganz

Wheaton scored first as they marched down the field in eight plays to take an 8-0 lead. The Rebels then went on their own 13-play drive which ended in the second quarter with a 7-yard pass from Tyler Oftedahl to Tyson Eckel. Oftedahl then hit Jerod Nelson for an 8-8 score. The Rebels defense held and forced a Wheaton punt. The Rebels drove down the field and then disaster struck as a pass was intercepted and returned 68 yards for the touchdown, making the score 14-8 in favor of the Warriors. The Rebels were forced to punt near the end of the half. Wheaton took all the momentum away as they marched down the field and scored with under 10 seconds left in the half

and increased their lead to 22-8. Wheaton took the opening second half kickoff and slowly marched down the field. Sixty yards in 13 plays increased the lead to 30-8. On the Rebels' next possession, Oftedahl hit Tate Benning in perfect stride for a 47-yard touchdown pass. Again it was Oftedahl to Nelson for the two points and a score of 30-16. The Rebels defense played hard, but could not get the ball back in the third quarter. Wheaton scored early in the fourth quarter on that drive. Their ensuing kickoff was a line drive that hit a Rebels front player and bounced back to Wheaton and it was their ball again. A drive, a score and it was 44-16. A Rebels pass was inter-

## Community rallies around football team



When the Eagle Valley football team geared up to head to Section finals at the Fargodome last Friday morning, they were sent off with much excitement. Fans, both within the student body and the community, showed up to show their support in many different ways. The local fire departments and law enforcement led the way as the bus left town.



Tate Benning ran in a 47-yard touchdown for the Rebels in the second quarter on a pass from Tyler Oftedahl. —photo by Jason Nelson

cepted and returned for another Wheaton score and a fine season had come to an end for the Rebels. The Wheaton offense and defense was overpowering for much of the game. The Rebels, who had run the ball so well all year, had 23 carries for 68 yards. Their defense kept Jacob

Schauer in check with 19 carries and 65 yards. Oftedahl threw the ball 31 times completing 16 for 168 yards, 2 touchdowns, 2 extra points and 2 interceptions. Nelson led the receivers with 6 catches for 69 yards. The Rebel defense was on the field for 68 plays. Oftedahl also had a QB sack.



Quarterback Tyler Oftedahl threw the ball 31 times completing 16 for 168 yards. Two were touchdowns, two were for extra points and two resulted in interceptions. —photo by Matt Ganz

Leading the Rebels in tackles/assists were Blake Borst with 20, John Wood with 19 and Jerod Nelson with 17. This Rebels team accomplished great things this year. They set their goals and worked extremely hard to achieve these

last few weeks. Even though the team came up short of their goal, this was a great season and will always be remembered as a season of heart, dedication and success.

## Tigers fall to Indians at the Fargodome . . . . .

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Marcel Franek carried the ball for the Tigers to add some yards. —photos by Matt Ganz

not getting any points is it takes a huge emotional and mental toll on you. Football is much more of a mental game as it is a physical game and when you are that close and come up empty it begins to wear you down a little. The Tigers never gave up, but we started to fall behind and had to revert to our passing game. We hit some big plays, but just not enough to keep up with the Indians. This was a very physical game on both sides of the football. Both teams knew they would have to grind out long drives with their running game. Mahanomen came up with more third down conversions than the Tigers did. If we put just one of those three trips in the end zone, we put a different kind of pressure on them. You can do so much more with your offense and defense when up by two scores. As the game went on, our defense seemed to get worn down a little with the physical line from Mahanomen. We played to the best of our ability and left all we had on the turf of the Fargodome, but it was just not enough. Mahanomen deserved the win with an outstanding run game and a swarming defense that didn't let us get the big run

we usually came up with. The Tigers players have nothing to hang their heads over as anyone at the game saw these young men play their hearts out to obtain a goal they set last November. Our senior class invested a lot of their time and energy getting to this point through the weight room. This group of seniors were excellent leaders this past year as they took the idea of getting bigger, faster and in better shape to heart. I hope our underclassmen can follow their lead and begin their quest to set their goals as this past senior group did. It was a great ride we had together and it was a pleasure to have been associated with this group of young men. Seniors, Seth Kellen, Seth Christensen, Trenton Wollenburg, Ben Dreher, Preston Irsfeld, Marcel Franek, Andrew Espree, Ben Brichacek, Nicholas Bollin, Dylan Betsinger and Connor Burns, you have my utmost respect and you are truly Brownville Tigers that have carried on the tradition of being the best you can be. You were selfless and great teammates. Thank you, Coach Petermeier, Natvig, Johnson, Myers and Berg.



Nicholas Bollin #66 tried to provide an opening for Trenton Wollenburg #21 as he tried to gain some yards.