

Penn Kingsmen football

State champions 1983, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2000

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Penn Kingsmen 2015 schedule

Home games upper case/All times Eastern

Date	Opponent	Result
Fri., Aug. 21	at Valparaiso	W, 34-0
Fri., Aug. 28	MERRILLVILLE	W, 31-12
Fri., Sept. 4	at Brother Rice	W, 29-7
Fri., Sept. 11	ST. MARY'S PREP	L, 24-21
Fri., Sept. 18	S.B. ADAMS	W, 28-7
Fri., Sept. 25	at St. Joseph	W, 50-13
Fri., Oct. 2	at Clay	W, 55-0
Fri., Oct. 9	ELKHART CENTRAL	W, 56-0
Fri., Oct. 16	at Mishawaka	W, 41-34

Class 6-A state playoffs

Fri., Oct. 23	LAPORTE	W, 49-21
Fri., Oct. 30	at Chesterton	W, 49-14
Fri., Nov. 6	at Merrillville	W, 56-38
Fri., Nov. 13	CARMEL	W, 16-10

State championship Lucas Oil Stadium

Sat., Nov. 28	vs. Center Grove	7:05 p.m.
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Penn High School facts

Principal: Steve Hope

Director of athletics: Aaron Leniski

Assistant A.D.: Bridget Williams

Nickname: Kingsmen

School colors: Black and Gold

Enrollment: 3,690

Conference: Northern Indiana
Conference

Location: 56100 Bittersweet Rd.
Mishawaka, Indiana
46545

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No. 4 Penn Kingsmen (12-1)

vs.

No. 1 Center Grove Trojans (13-0)

IHSAA Class 6-A state championship



Date: Saturday, Nov. 28

When: 7:05 p.m. EDT



**Where: Lucas Oil Stadium,
Indianapolis**

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Game preview

Penn and Center Grove have only met once before, in the 2000 Class 5-A state championship game that the Kingsmen won by a 21-0 score. ... Penn is seeking its sixth state championship. ... The Kingsmen won state titles in 1983, 1995, 1996, 1997 and 2000. ... Center Grove is seeking its second state title. ... The Trojans won a state title in 2008. ... Penn is making its 11th appearance in a state championship game. ... Center Grove is making its third appearance in a state championship game. ... Penn advanced to the state championship game by defeating Carmel 16-10 on Friday, Nov. 13, in the northern semistate. ... Center Grove defeated Avon 35-34 in double overtime to earn its berth to the state championship game.

Penn head coach Cory Yeoman

Penn head coach Cory Yeoman has a 142-28 record entering his 13th season as the Kingsmen head coach. Yeoman has guided Penn to semistate titles in 2015, 2011 and 2003. The Kingsmen have won seven regional crowns under Yeoman's guidance, nine sectional titles and 12 Northern Indiana Conference championships.

Coach Yeoman played at Penn High School, earning all-state honors at defensive tackle. In 1979, coach Yeoman led a Kingsmen defense that only allowed 33 yards rushing a game. He graduated from Penn in 1980. Coach Yeoman is in the Indiana Football Hall of Fame, the first Penn player nominated for the Hall.

After his playing career at Penn, coach Yeoman played for Miami (Ohio) University.

Coach Yeoman has served as an assistant or head coach with Penn football for 32 seasons.

GOLD RUSH



PENN FOOTBALL DEPTH CHART

GOLD RUSH OFFENSE

POSITION	#	STARTER (Height, Weight, Grade)	#	FIRST BACK-UP
Tight End	88	Nolan Metcalf (6-3, 225, Jr.)	83	Chris Crothers (6-5, 230, Jr.)
Right Tackle	75	Daniel Yu (6-2, 235, Jr.)	73	Keegan Hurst (6-2, 225, Jr.)
Right Guard	55	Max Bernard (6-2, 270, Sr.)	67	Patrick Pfarrer (5-11, 240 Jr.)
Center	63	Anthony Lovisa (6-0, 295, Sr.)	65	Mitch Bernard (5-11, 220, So.)
Left Guard	70	Mike Dhuvetter (6-4, 305, Jr.)	78	Kyle O'Konski (5-9, 225, Jr.)
Left Tackle	57	Ben Knutson (6-7, 285, Sr.)	52	Ty McCaskill (6-4, 280, So.)
Split End	3	Brice Voorde (5-9,170, Sr.)	32	Craig Osman (5-11, 175, Sr.)
Quarterback	11	Camden Bohn (6-5, 225, Sr.)	1	James Iapalucci (6-1, 170, Jr.)
Running back	27	Cedric Vakalahi (5-9, 195, Sr.)	4	Rashid Fahim (5-9,175, Jr.)
Running back	10	Landon Martz (6-3, 200, Jr.)	20	Austin Laughman (5-11,190,Sr.)
Flanker	5	John Ohlson (5-10, 170, Jr.)	1	James Iapalucci (6-1, 170, Sr.)

WILD BUNCH DEFENSE

POSITION	#	STARTER	#	FIRST BACK-UP
Def. End	94	Zach Main (6-1, 250, Sr.)	93	Josh Haluska (5-10, 180, So.)
Def. Tackle	73	Keegan Hurst (6-2, 225, Jr.)	51	Peyton Reynolds (5-11, 230, Sr.)
Def. Tackle	95	James Morris (6-0, 195, So.)	53	Andrew Donati (5-11, 235, Sr.)
Def. End	98	Nate Boone (6-3, 210, Jr.)	90	Trey Zahner (6-3, 180, Jr.)
Outside LB	30	Parker Adkins (6-0, 190, Jr.)	59	Alex Wilcox (5-10, 210, Sr.)
Inside LB	91	Kobe Woods (5-11, 225 Sr.)	44	Tory Rhoden (5-9, 185, Sr.)
Inside LB	35	Will Vakalahi (5-10, 205, Jr.)	56	Cameron Hedstrom (5-10, 190, Jr.)
Outside OLB	34	Reece Treber (6-2, 190 Jr.)	21	Trace Manspeaker (5-8, 160, Jr.)
Corner	20	Austin Laughman (5-11,190,Sr.)	22	Bailey Mott (5-10, 155 So.)
Free Safety	37	Paul Moala (5-10, 175, So.)	8	Bobby Fox (6-1, 180, Sr.)
Corner	6	Jason Alexander (5-11,180, Sr.)	23	Autry Denson (6-0,165, Jr.)

SPECIALISTS

FG/PAT kicks	50	Sam Scholtes (5-9, 165, Sr.)		
PAT holder	17	Matt Kominkiewicz (5-8, 160, Jr.)		
Punter	25	Sam Scholtes (5-9, 165, Sr.)		
Kickoffs	25	Jared Hancock (5-11, 160)		
Kickoff returner	20	Austin Laughman (5-11, 190, Sr.)		
Punt returner	5	John Ohlson (5-10, 170, Jr.)		
Punt returner	20	Austin Laughman (5-11, 190, Sr.)		
Long snapper	65	Mitch Bernard (5-11, 220, So.)		

2015 PENN KINGSMEN FOOTBALL ROSTER

x-duplicate number

Number	Year	Last Name	First Name	Position	Ht.	Wt	Number	Year	Last Name	First Name	Position	Ht.	Wt
1	11	Iapalucci	James	QB/FL	6'1	170	56	11	Hedstrom	Cameron	LB	5'10	190
x-2	12	Leibengood	Jimmy	FL	5'11	175	57	12	Knutson	Ben	OT	6'7	285
3	12	Voorde	Brice	FL	5'9	170	58	10	Leibengood	Joel	OG	6'0	210
4	11	Fahim	Rashid	RB	5'9	175	59	12	Wilcox	Alex	OLB	5'10	210
x-5	11	Ohlson	John	FL	5'10	170	60	10	Besinger	Cameron	OG	5'11	180
6	12	Alexander	Jason	DB	5'11	180	61	12	Colbert	Kevin	DE	6'2	215
7	12	Mares	Dominic	FL	5'10	180	62	10	Neal	Carrington	OT	6'3	315
8	12	Fox	Bobby	DB	6'1	180	63	12	Lovisa	Anthony	C/G	6'0	295
9	11	Schneider	Connor	OLB	6'4	195	64	10	Thompson	Jacob	DT	5'11	225
x-10	11	Martz	Landon	RB	6'3	200	65	10	Bernard	Mitch	C	5'11	220
11	12	Bohn	Camden	QB/K	6'5	225	x-66	10	Miller	Connor	C	5'9	190
x-12	10	Lovisa	Nathan	QB	5'11	175	67	11	Pfarrer	Patrick	OG	5'11	240
13	11	Robinson	Lucas	DB	6'0	180	68	10	Kennach	George	OG	5'9	250
14	12	Mikulyuk	Sam	FL	5'8	145	69	11	Fitzhugh	William	DT	5'11	210
15	10	Norris	Luke	DB	5'9	150	70	11	Dhuietter	Mike	OG	6'4	305
16	10	Thomas	Wisdom	DB	5'9	155	71	11	Carper	John	OG	6'0	320
17	11	Kominkiewicz	Matt	RB	5'8	160	72	12	Lutz	Billy	DT	5'11	205
x-18	10	Morris	Christian	QB	6'2	175	73	11	Hurst	Keegan	OT	6'2	225
19	10	Mikaljian	Sam	FL	6'1	135	74	10	Beau	O'Banion	DT	6'2	240
20	12	Laughman	Austin	DB	5'11	190	75	11	Yu	Daniel	OT	6'2	235
21	11	Manspeaker	Trace	OLB	5'8	160	76	10	Simparinka	Issac	DE	6'0	185
22	11	Mott	Baily	DB	5'10	155	77	10	Moniz	Sam	OT	6'3	250
23	11	Denson	Autry	DB	6'0	165	78	11	O'Konski	Kyle	OG	5'9	255
24	10	Weston	Jackson	DB	5'8	150	79	11	Collier	Westin	DT	5'11	275
25	12	Scholtes	Sam	P/K	5'9	165	80	10	Parmater	Kyle	FL	6'1	180
26	10	Thomas	Aaron	DB	5'9	145	81	10	Torres	Anthony	TE	6'4	200
27	12	Vakalahi	Cedric	RB	5'9	195	82	10	O'Neal	Cory	FL	5'8	155
28	10	Moreland	Ryder	OLB	5'9	185	83	11	Crothers	Christopher	TE	6'5	235
29	10	Whitlow	Hunter	RB	5'7	150	84	10	Spencer	Gabe	FL	5'9	165
30	11	Adkins	Parker	DB	6'0	190	85	10	Gosztola	Jeremiah	TE	6'0	180
31	11	Shepard	Brett	FL	5'9	155	86	12	Lamboy	Javier	TE	5'11	180
32	12	Osman	Craig	FL	5'11	175	87	10	Usenick	Zach	FL	5'10	155
33	10	Doty	Andy	RB	5'6	135	88	11	Metcalf	Nolan	TE	6'3	225
34	11	Treber	Reece	OLB	6'2	190	x-89	11	Bennett	Evan	TE	6'5	215
35	11	Vakalahi	Will	LB	5'10	205	90	11	Zahner	Trey	DE	6'3	180
36	10	Seroczynski	Tiki	DB	5'9	170	91	12	Woods	Kobe	LB	5'11	225
37	10	Moala	Paul	DB	5'10	175	92	11	Keough	Brendan	DE	5'11	185
38	10	Zolman	Brock	RB	5'10	165	93	10	Haluska	Josh	DE	5'10	180
39	10	DeZenzo	Carson	RB	5'10	165	94	12	Main	Zach	DE	6'1	250
40	10	Warner	Corey	DB	5'9	150	95	10	Morris	James	DE	6'0	195
41	10	Fershin	Max	ILB	5'11	185	96	10	Earl	Jordan	DT	6'1	195
42	11	Bartus	Will	DB	5'8	150	97	10	Vakalahi	Peni	DT	6'2	220
x-43	10	Little	Mikal	RB	5'11	145	98	11	Boone	Nate	DE	6'3	210
x-44	12	Rhoden	Tory	ILB	5'9	185	99	11	Wilson	Anthony	DE	6'0	205
45	11	Green	Michael	DB	5'8	140	Duplicate numbers						
46	10	Chaffee	Max	OLB	6'0	190	x-2	11	Null	Steve	QB	5'11	170
47	10	Yeoman	Gabe	ILB	5'8	180	x-5	11	Marsh	Cameron	P/K	5'11	175
48	10	Wilson	Colin	DB	5'8	150	x-10	12	Dawson	Paul	S	5-11	190
49	12	Brown	John	DB	6'0	160	x-12	10	Mathews	James	DT	5'8	160
50	11	Hancock	Jared	P/K	5'11	160	x-51	11	Trost	Travis	OLB	5'7	145
x-51	12	Reynolds	Payton	DT	5'11	230	x-66	11	Wiseman	Tom	C	5'9	230
52	10	McCaskill	Ty	OT	6'4	280	x-89	12	Keosakdy	Eakachai	OLB	5'8	210
53	12	Donati	Andrew	DT	5'11	235	x-43	10	Huxford	Bryce	OLB	5'10	165
54	10	McGee	Kyle	OT	6'0	290	X-44	10	Montgomery	Andrew	FL	5'10	160
55	12	Bernard	Max	OG	6'2	270	X-18	10	Serwatka	Caleb			
								11	Thompson	Cage			
								12	Godson	Matt			
Managers							Managers						
11		Pattie	Linton						11	Riley	Messner		
									11	Hannah	Parker		

KINGSMEN PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#	Year	Last Name	FirstName	
1	11	Iapalucci	James	App-uh-loo-chee
2	12	Leibengood	Jimmy	Ly-ben-good
3	12	Voorde	Brice	Vor-dee
4	11	Fahim	Rashid	Fah-heem Rah-sheed
5	11	Ohlson	John	Ol-son
7	12	Mares	Dominic	May-ers
9	11	Schneider	Connor	sh-nye-der
11	12	Bohn	Camden	Bone
12	10	Lovisa	Nathan	La-veesa
14	12	Mikulyuk	Sam	mc-cull-yuck
17	10	Kominkiewicz	Matt	Kahm-in-kay-wich
19	10	Mikaljian	Sam	Mick-cal-in
20	10	Laughman	Austin	I-off-man
25	12	Scholtes	Sam	Sh-ol-tees
27	10	Vakalahi	Cedric	Vah-kah-lah-hee
32	12	Osman	Craig	oz-man
33	10	Doty	Andrew	Do-tee
34	10	Treber	Reece	Tree-Brrr
35	10	Vakalahi	Will	Vah-kah-lah-hee
36	10	Seroczynski	Tiki	Sih-row-sin-ski
37	10	Moala	Paul	Mow-ah-la
38	10	Zolman	Brock	Zol-(rhymes with coal)-man
39	10	DeZenzo	Carson	De-Zen-zo
41	10	Fershin	Max	Fur-shin
44	12	Rhoden	Tory	Roe-den
46	10	Chaffee	Max	Chaff-ee
47	10	Yeoman	Gabe	Yo-man
52	10	McCaskill	Ty	Mc-Cask-ill
53	12	Donati	Andrew	da-not-ee
56	11	Hedstrom	Cameron	Head-strom
57	12	Knutson	Ben	newt-son
58	10	Leibengood	Joel	Ly-ben-good
60	10	Besinger	Cameron	Bee-sing-er
63	12	Lovisa	Anthony	La-veesa
67	11	Pfarrer	Patrick	far
68	10	Kennach	George	Ken-itch
69	11	Fitzhugh	William	Fitz-hue
70	11	Dhuivetter	Mike	Doo-Vet-ter
71	11	Carper	John	carp-er

72	12	Lutz	Billy	Lutz (rhymes with huts)
75	11	Yu	Daniel	You
76	10	Simparinka	Issac	simp-are-rink-a
77	10	Moniz	Sam	moan-iz
78	11	O'Konski	Kyle	oh-con-ski
79	11	Collier	Weston	Col-lear
80	10	Parmater	Kyle	Parm-a-ter
81	10	Torres	Anthony	Tore-ez
83	11	Crothers	Christian	cr-uh-thers
85	10	Gosztola	Jeremiah	Gos-tol-a
86	12	Lamboy	Javier	lamb-boy
87	10	Usenick	Zach	use-eh-nick
90	11	Zahner	Trey	Zane-er
91	10	Woods	Kobe	Koe-bee
92	11	Keough	Brendan	Kee-oh
93	10	Haluska	Josh	Ha-loo-ska
96	10	O'Bannion	Beau	O-Ban-yin
97	10	Vakalahi	Peni	Vah-kah-lah-hee
x10	10	Martz	Landon	Marts
x51	10	Trost	Travis	tr-oh-st

COACHES

Yeoman	Cory	Yo-man
Barrier	Pat	Bear-ee-er
Griman	Brian	Gr-eye-man
Hedrick	John	Head-rick
Herrity	Kevin	Hair-a-tee
Laidig	Brent	Lay-dig
Mattison	Bryan	Mat-ti-son
Pikuza	Jason	Pa-kooz-a
Riordan	Pete	Rear-dan
Thompson	Jeff	Tom-son
Tugmon	Brandon	Tug-mun
Velde	Richard	Veld-ee
Yeoman	Todd	Yo-Man
Yeoman	Trent	Yo-man

PENN FOOTBALL HEAD COACH: Cory Yeoman

PENN FOOTBALL VARSITY ASSISTANT COACHES: Pat Barrier (ILB), Brian Griman (RB), John Hedrick (DB), Kevin Herrity (OL), Brent Laidig (OL), Duke Lines (DL), Dave Manspeaker (OLB), Bryan Mattison (DL), Jason Pikuza (TE), Pete Riordan (LB), Jeff Thompson (DL), Brandon Tugmon (WR), Richard Velde (OL), Todd Yeoman (DB), Trent Yeoman (OC), Tyler Yeoman (ILB).

PENN FRESHMEN HEAD COACH: Keith O'Connell. **PENN FRESHMEN ASSISTANTS:** Jon Carroll (DL), Chris Cantoni (RB), Todd Crist (WR), Frank Duong (DB), Eric Kline (LB), Eric Larson (TE), Jeremy McCaskill (OL), Chris Shelly (OLB), Ted Williams (OLB).

SCOUTING REPORT

Center Grove Offense

Center Grove's offense is known for its Wing-T offense. The Wing T is designed to confuse the defense and give multiple options to the offense. The purpose is to give off different formations and motion a wing to try and give a different look and make the defense's eyes wander. This is a running offense and does not pass often, but when Center Grove does pass, it's because they think they have the defense caught off-guard, or because they need quick yards. Center Grove averages 308.1 yards rushing a game, and 74.7 yards a game passing.

By Parker Adkins

Projected Center Grove offensive starters:

Position	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Class
Tight end	97	Cory Heinrichs	6-3	235	Soph.
Right tackle	70	Ethan Hart	6	245	Junior
Right guard	77	John Richardson	6'4	315	Senior
Center	67	Baily Smith	6'2	255	Junior
Left guard	66	Nick Davis	5'10	260	Junior
Left tackle	71	Clay Hadley	6'1	270	Senior
Wing/Slot	14	Jack Holt	5'11	175	Senior
Wide receiver	87	Quinton Stirsman	6'1	185	Senior
Quarterback	1	Joey Siderewicz	5'11	170	Senior
Fullback	30	Titus McCoy	5'10	185	Junior
Running back	29	Trevor Holt	5'11	170	Junior

Center Grove defense

Center Grove plays a 4-3 defense. The Trojans are the No. 3-ranked defense in Class 6-A, only behind Chesterton and Penn, giving up an average of 14.8 points a game. The Center Grove defense is anchored by two impressive defensive tackles, both of whom are going to be playing major college football next year. Cameron Tidd wears No. 89 and is a 6-3, 265-pound senior for the Trojans. He will play in the SEC next year for the Vanderbilt Commodores. Javon Swan is a 6-4, 270-pound senior who wears No. 51 for Center Grove. Swann has impressed college scouts due to his size and how quickly he gets off of the football. He is currently looking at Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Michigan State, Stanford, and Virginia to play at the next level.

By Ben Knutson

Projected Center Grove defensive starters:

Position	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Class
Defensive end	3	Devin Wilson	5-11	230	Senior
Def. tackle	51	Javon Swann	6-4	270	Senior
Def. tackle	89	Cameron Tidd	6-3	265	Senior
Defensive end	45	Dan Root	6-2	205	Junior
OLB	28	Sam Bolin	5-10	185	Junior
MLB	55	Nate Arbuckle	6-2	210	Junior
OLB	4	Bailey Bennett	6-0	205	Junior
Cornerback	33	Tyler Pence	6-2	180	Senior
Free safety	37	Logan Bontrager	5-11	180	Junior
Strong safety	32	Conner Steeb	5-9	195	Senior
Cornerback	7	Blake Morgan	6-0	200	Soph.



#BLUERINGS

If Penn wins the state championship in football on Saturday against Center Grove, it would make Kingsmen linebacker Will Vakalahi a state champion in three different sports, and make 11 other Kingsmen student-athletes state champions in two sports.

The following 2015 Penn varsity football players were on the varsity roster for the following state championship sports last season:

Baseball: Matt Kominkiewicz, Nathan Lovisa, Nolan Metcalf.

Wrestling: Will Vakalahi, Kobe Woods.

Hockey: Tiki Seroczynski.

Rugby: Max Bernard, Austin Laughman, Paul Moala, Sam Scholtes, Cedric Vakalahi, Will Vakalahi.



DUAL-THREAT QB

Penn quarterback Camden Bohn, a Harvard commit, has passed for more than 1,000 yards and has gained more than 1,000 yards as a rusher this season.

Bohn is 98-of-151 passing for 1,268 yards (65 percent completion percentage). He has passed for 13 touchdowns.

A 6-foot-5, 225-pound two-year starter, Bohn has gained 1,209 yards running the ball. He averages 7.1 yards a carry, and has rushed for 24 touchdowns this season.

"It is a special honor, but I couldn't have done it without the help of my teammates, especially everyone blocking and catching for me," Bohn said.



BIG-PLAY ATTACK

Penn has scored 16 touchdowns of 40-or-more yards this season.

Kingsmen quarterback Cam Bohn leads the big-play attack with four TD's of more than 40 yards (82, 57, 82 and 78 yards). Nine of the long TD's were on running plays, and four were passes.

Penn's defense has two long TD's, a 65-yard fumble return against Mishawaka by Zach Main, and a 46-yard interception return against Merrillville by Will Vakalahi.

On special teams, Penn boasts a 67-yard punt return for a touchdown by John Ohlson.



CONFERENCE OF CHAMPIONS

Penn's march to the Class 6-A state championship game highlights a stellar showing by the Northern Indiana Conference this season. The Kingsmen have won sectional, regional and semistate titles on the way to seeking a state title.

Five NIC teams captured sectional championships in five different classes in 2015:

Class 6-A: Penn

Class 5-A: Mishawaka

Class 4-A: South Bend St. Joseph

Class 3-A: Marian

Class 2-A: Bremen

Marian and St. Joseph also won regional titles.



NIC EXPANDS

The Northern Indiana Conference added Bremen, Glenn, Jimtown and New Prairie this season, making it the biggest conference in the state with 13 members.

There are two divisions in the NIC for football.

North: Penn, Elkhart Central, Mishawaka, South Bend St. Joseph, South Bend Adams, South Bend Clay.

South: Bremen, Glenn, Jimtown, Marian, New Prairie, South Bend Riley, South Bend Washington.

Penn has won five NIC football titles in a row and 34 overall.

DAC



PENN VS. THE DUNELAND

Penn owns a 61-10 record against teams that are currently in the Duneland Athletic Conference.

The Kingsmen have won 18 consecutive games against Duneland opponents. The last Penn loss to a Duneland team was a 10-7 setback to Valpo in 2010.

Penn is 1-0 vs. Crown Point, 6-0 vs. Chesterton, 5-0 vs. Lake Central, 10-3 vs. LaPorte, 5-2 vs. Merrillville, 6-0 vs. Michigan City, 8-0 vs. Portage, and 20-5 vs. Valparaiso.

Penn was 5-0 against Duneland teams this season, beating Valparaiso and Merrillville in the regular season, and beating LaPorte, Chesterton and Merrillville in the playoffs.



CAVE JOINS DETROIT LIONS

Former Penn all-state standout Braxton Cave is on the Detroit Lions practice squad. The 6-foot-3, 298-pound center was signed with Cleveland as a rookie free agent in 2013, and was on practice squads with the Redskins and Patriots.

Cave played collegiately for Notre Dame. He started in all 13 games for the Fighting Irish in 2012, his senior season. The Irish were 12-0 in the regular season and ranked No. 1.

At Penn, Cave led the Kingsmen to an unbeaten regular season as a senior (2007).



NON-CONFERENCE SLATE CHANGES

Penn's 2015 football schedule will include a non-conference game against Valparaiso, and the additions of Merrillville and Michigan state powers Brother Rice and Orchard Lake (Mich.) St. Mary's.

Entering this season, Penn was 22-5 all-time vs. Valparaiso, and 4-2 all-time vs. Merrillville; 0-1 vs. Brother Rice. The Kingsmen have never played St. Mary's.

Brother Rice has won 10 state titles in football, the last one coming in 2013 in Div. 2.

St. Mary's has won six state titles in football, including the Div. 3 state title last season.



HARVARD NEXT FOR BOHN

Penn High quarterback Camden Bohn has announced that he will continue his academic and athletic careers at Harvard University.

Bohn, a 6-foot-5, 225-pound senior, led Penn to a 12-1 record last season. The Kingsmen are 12-1 this season, and have won semistate, regional, sectional and NIC titles with Bohn at the helm.

Harvard won its third straight Ivy League title this season.



KNUTSON CHOOSES VIRGINIA

Penn senior offensive lineman Ben Knutson, a 6-foot-8, 275-pound senior, has committed to play for the University of Virginia.

Knutson played at both the offensive tackle position and defensive end last season. He is an offensive tackle this season.

Virginia is 4-7 this season. The Cavaliers are 3-4 in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Knutson chose UVA over Purdue, Northwestern and Pittsburgh, among others.



PENN RETURNS SEVEN STARTERS

Penn returns four starters on offense and three starters on defense. The Kingsmen were 12-1 in 2014, winning regional, sectional and Northern Indiana Conference titles.

Penn runs a multiple/spread offense, and the Kingsmen use a 4-4 defensive scheme.

Offensive returning starters:

- OL Max Bernard senior
- QB Camden Bohn senior
- OL Mike Dhuvetter junior
- WR John Ohlson junior

Defensive returning starters:

- DL Ben Knutson senior
- DL Zach Main senior
- DL Kobe Woods senior



WOODS COMMITS TO PURDUE

Penn High School wrestling state champion Kobe Woods has committed to the Purdue University wrestling program.

Woods, who is also a star linebacker on the Penn football team, has been looked at by multiple schools.

A state qualifier his freshman year in 2013 at 220 pounds, Woods placed sixth at state at 195 pounds in 2014, and as a junior at 220 pounds he placed first in the IHSAA state tournament.

When asked why he had chosen Purdue University, Woods stated, " I chose (Purdue) because it's a great university. I get to wrestle for my state. Hard work pays off and they have a good recruiting class with new coaches."

Penn wrestling coach, Brad Harper, said of Purdue, "It's a great program, that will help further (Woods') career, to maybe even help him win a world title in the future."



PENN PREPS FOR STATE AT N.D.

Being able to practice in the Notre Dame indoor facility was a great opportunity for the Penn football team as the Kingsmen prepare for the state championship game, which is being played indoors at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, the home of the NFL's Indianapolis Colts.

Working out indoors was a great simulation of the conditions that the Kingsmen will play in on Saturday, November 28, when Penn takes on Center Grove for the Class 6-A state championship.

Penn football head coach Cory Yeoman said it was important for the Kingsmen to get acclimated to playing indoors.

"Being able to get a feel for the conditions and how it will feel like in a similar environment is very good for them as players to learn how to adjust to the conditions," said coach Yeoman about practicing at Notre Dame's Loftus Center prior to the state championship game.

"I didn't think going from practicing outside all season to practicing in an indoor facility would make much of a difference, but I was wrong," said outside linebacker Trace Manspeaker.

Getting used to indoor conditions is an important part of preparing for state, so the Kingsmen practiced at Notre Dame's Loftus Center twice.

"While we were running sprints, I found that it was very difficult to breath," Penn linebacker Kobe Woods said. "After the second sprint I was gasping for air."

Penn's football program appreciated the opportunity to work out at Notre Dame's indoor football facility.

"I was grateful that we were introduced to the conditions now, rather than at Lucas Oil," said starting defensive end Zach Main.



SCHOLTES READY WHEN CALLED

Penn placekicker Sam Scholtes only had one field goal in 12 games this season heading into the Class 6-A northern semistate against Carmel.

But the Kingsmen knew that Scholtes would be ready when his number was called, and he helped put the Kingsmen in the state championship game.

Scholtes kicked three field goals for the Kingsmen -- including a 40-yarder into a stiff wind as the first-half clock expired -- in Penn's 16-10 victory against Carmel.

"We did not hesitate to put Sam into the game," Penn head coach Cory Yeoman said.

It was satisfying for the Kingsmen to see the kicking game rise to the occasion. Penn missed an extra point in a 14-13 loss to Carmel in the semistate last season.

"Coming into big games like these, you have to be ready for anything," Scholtes said. "I knew it wasn't going to be a blowout like some of our other games this season, so I knew I had to be on point. Having the knowledge from last year the whole week I practiced kicking like I never had before."

Scholtes is 57-of-57 this season in kicking extra points, and is 4-of-5 kicking field goals.

"Sam all year has been on point," said field-goal coordinator Coach Laidig, "In big games like these, you never know the amount of pressure that is placed on you, but I was confident that Sam would be able to clear his mind and do what he has done all year."

Coming into the state championship Scholtes will probably play a big factor again.

"I'm not nervous," Scholtes said. "I'm just ready do what we do best and bring home a state championship."

TCU sponsors

Freed Field

By Parker Adkins

When fans arrive to watch a home football game for the Penn Kingsmen, they see the new TCU (Teachers Credit Union) Freed Field signs on the stadium press box.

Penn Athletic Director Aaron Leniski, that there are signs going up on the back and front of the press box as well as above the scoreboard, thanks to a new sponsorship deal with TCU that brings \$396,000 to Penn-Harris-Madison schools.

Freed Field is the latest Penn field to be sponsored, that's why it has made local news and media. Penn has started to let families or businesses sponsor a field, gym, or classroom for a contract.

Where does this money go? This money is going to the Penn-Harris-Madison Education Foundation. What this does is give money and grants to school programs that the state can't provide money to. This money does not just go to that sport or program, it goes to the corporation's education foundation to benefit not just the athlete, but the student in student-athlete or just student.

This recent deal is a big deal, because Freed Field brings in the largest crowds through out the year, because it hosts football, band, track, and lacrosse.

The TCU deal with Freed Field will last 13 years, and all money goes to the PHM education foundation.



Penn Athletic Director Aaron Leniski said, "I think this deal is great! TCU is always giving money to Penn athletics, music programs, and PHM education foundation. I'm happy we partnered with a company like them. I think Freed Field means a lot to many people and that's why I'm very happy we got to keep the name Freed Field and still give publicity to TCU a great sponsor!"



This tradition sticks with the Kingsmen

By Zach Main

In the 1980's Coach Chris Geesman introduced the Wild Bunch and Gold Rush stickers to the Penn Kingsmen. The Gold Rush stickers are for the offensive starters and the Wild Bunch stickers are for the defensive starters. Earning a sticker is a remarkable honor.

Coach Geesman is one of the best coaches in Indiana ever, leading Penn to five state championships.

In 2002, when Coach Geesman retired, Cory Yeoman, became the Penn Kingsmen head coach, and the Kingsmen have continued to respect and honor the winning tradition and the Wild Bunch and Gold Rush stickers.

Coach Yeoman always stresses on how important the little details are to everything you do, and that is what it takes to earn one of the stickers.

Earning the Gold Rush sticker takes speed, smarts and a sense of urgency to want to drive down the field and score every possession.

"The Gold Rush sticker is placed on the back of your helmets so that the defense can get up and turn around and read on the back of your helmet, read that Gold Rush sticker and say "what just hit me?!". Make them remember what just hit them." – Coach Trent Yeoman Offensive Coordinator.

Earning the Wild Bunch sticker takes aggression, an urge to make the tackle every play, and smarts.

"These Wild Bunch stickers go out to eleven crazy warriors, flyin' around, makin' plays, wanting to hit somebody every single play! Showing no mercy to your opponent. After you make a big play you get up and celebrate with your teammates with a little zest." – Coach Patrick Barrier Inside Linebacker Coach.

Head Coach Cory Yeoman always uses the motto, "Smart, fast, and physical".

It takes those three things to become a great player. Being able to earn a Wild Bunch or Gold Rush sticker is one of the highest honors in the Penn program.

Penn players wear the sticker with pride, dignity and honor. They are able to fight for your buddy next to you, and there is nothing better than that.



NORTHERN INDIANA CONFERENCE

ALL TIMES EASTERN

	Conf.	Points	Opp. Points	All Games	Points	Opp. Pts.
NORTH DIVISION						
PENN	5-0	230	54	12-1	515	180
South Bend Adams	4-1	131	77	8-4	351	216
Mishawaka	3-2	177	86	8-4	392	217
South Bend St. Joseph	2-3	99	138	8-6	259	326
Elkhart Central	1-4	100	216	2-8	170	385
South Bend Clay	0-5	56	222	1-9	116	429
SOUTH DIVISION						
South Bend Washington	5-1	189	73	8-3	338	176
New Prairie	5-1	258	91	6-4	394	223
Marian	4-2	146	89	10-4	412	179
Jimtown	4-2	166	79	7-4	290	153
Bremen	2-4	127	170	7-6	388	284
Glenn	1-5	32	192	3-7	84	289
South Bend Riley	0-6	49	273	1-10	101	445

SATURDAY, NOV. 28

CLASS 6-A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

PENN vs. Center Grove, 7:05, p.m.



2015 PENN KINGSMEN

DATE	OPPONENT	ET
Aug. 21	at Valparaiso	W, 34-0
Aug. 28	MERRILLVILLE	W, 31-12
Sept. 4	at Birmingham Rice	W, 29-7
Sept. 11	ORCHARD LAKE ST. MARY'S	L, 24-21
Sept. 19	SOUTH BEND ADAMS	W, 28-7
Sept. 25	at South Bend St. Joseph	W, 50-13
Oct. 2	at South Bend Clay	W, 55-0
Oct. 9	ELKHART CENTRAL	W, 56-0
Oct. 16	at Mishawaka	W, 41-34
Oct. 23	LAPORTE	W, 49-21
Oct. 30	at Chesterton	W, 49-14
Nov. 6	at Merrillville	W, 56-38
Nov. 13	CARMEL	W, 16-10
Nov. 26	Center Grove	7:05 p.m.

2015 Center Grove Trojans

DATE	OPPONENT	ET
Aug. 21	At Warren Central	W, 42-38
Aug. 28	WHITELAND	W, 37-0
Sept. 4	at Carmel	W, 24-21
Sept. 11	BEN DAVIS	W, 31-19
Sept. 18	INDPLS. NORTH CENTRAL	W, 38-7
Sept. 25	at Lawrence Central	W, 44-26
Oct. 2	PIKE	W, 59-14
Oct. 9	LAWRENCE NORTH	W, 17-7
Oct. 16	INDIANAPOLIS CATHEDRAL	W, 7-0
Oct. 23	at Columbus North	W, 34-7
Oct. 30	JEFFERSONVILLE	W, 56-6
Nov. 6	at Warren Central	W, 24-13
Nov. 13	AVON (2 OT)	W, 35-34
Nov. 26	Penn	7:05 p.m.



Penn Kingsmen Info

Penn yearly records

State Titles: 2000, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1983

State Runner-up: 2011, 2003, 1999, 1991, 1989

Semistate Titles: 2015, 2011, 2003, 2000, 1999, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1991, 1989, 1983

Regional Titles: 2015, 2014, 2013, 2011, 2008, 2004, 2003, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1991, 1989, 1983

Sectional Titles: 2015, 2014, 2013, 2011, 2008, 2007, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1991, 1989, 1987, 1983, 1979

NIC Titles: 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1994, 1993, 1992, 1991, 1990, 1989, 1988, 1987, 1986, 1984, 1983, 1982, 1979, 1978.

Stadium: Freed Field (capacity 7,800)

Enrollment: 3,690

Sectional: Class 6-A Sectional 2

Location: 56100 Bittersweet Rd. , Mishawaka, Ind.

2014: 12-1

2013: 12-1

2012: 9-2

2011: 14-1

2010: 7-5

2009: 10-2

2008: 10-4

2007: 12-1

2006: 9-3

2005: 10-3

2004: 12-2

2003: 13-2

2002: 12-1

2001: 11-2

2000: 14-1

1999: 13-2

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1975: 10-1

1974: 8-2

1973: 5-5

1972: 0-10

1971: 3-7

1970: 0-9-1

1969: 1-9

1968: 3-7

1967: 4-4-1

1966: 3-7

1965: 4-5-1

1964: 5-4-1

1963: 8-2

1962: 5-4-1

1961: 6-4

1960: 2-4-3

1959: 8-2

1958: 3-5

PENN KINGSMEN COACHING HISTORY

Tenure	Name	W-L record	Pct.
2003-	Cory Yeoman	142-28	.835
1973-2002	Chris Geesman	310-49	.888
1970-1972	Roger Reynolds	3-26-1	.117
1965-1969	Bob Ward	20-36-2	.362
1964	Ron Meyer	5-4-1	.555
1958-1963	Dale O'Connell	32-21-4	.596

Penn Kingsmen all-time series records vs. opponents

Anderson Highland	1-0
Auburn	2-0
Brother Rice (Mich.)	1-1
Bloomington South	1-0
Bremen	1-1
Calumet	0-2
Carmel	3-6
Center Grove	1-0
Chesterton	6-0
Concord	2-0
Crown Point	1-0
Culver Military	3-1
Decatur	1-1
East Chicago Central	2-0
East Chi. Washington	0-1
East Gary	0-1
Elkhart Central	45-2
Elkhart Memorial	30-1
Evansville North	1-0
Fort Wayne Carroll	1-1
Fort Wayne Central	3-1-1
Fort Wayne Dwenger	0-1
Fort Wayne North Side	3-2
Fort Wayne Northrop	6-0
Fort Wayne Snider	9-8
Fort Wayne South	3-1
Galien (Mich.)	1-1
Gary Emerson	1-0
Goshen	9-8-1
Highland	3-1
Hobart	1-1
Homestead	0-2
Howe Military	1-0
Huntington	1-2
Indianapolis Ben Davis	4-13
Indpls. Broad Ripple	1-0
Indpls. North Central	1-0
Indpls. Northwest	1-1
Indpls. Warren Central	0-1

Indpls. Washington	1-0
Kendallville	1-1
Kokomo	4-1-1
Lafayette Harrison	3-1
Lafayette Jefferson	3-0
Lake Central	5-0
LaPorte	9-3
Lorain (Ohio) King	1-0
Marian	9-7
Merrillville	5-2
Michigan City	6-0
Michigan City Elston	15-5
Mishawaka	45-14-1
Muncie North	1-0
New Carlisle	5-1-2
Noblesville	1-0
St. Mary's (Mich.)	0-1
Peru	1-1
Plymouth	2-2-1
Portage	8-0
Richmond	1-1
River Forest	2-0
Saginaw (Mich.)	1-0
Saint Ignatius (Ohio)	0-2
South Bend Adams	43-2
South Bend Central	1-0
South Bend Clay	43-8
South Bend Jackson	0-8
South Bend LaSalle	24-7
South Bend Riley	35-7
South Bend St. Joseph	14-16
S.B. Washington	32-1
St. Joseph (Mich.)	5-0
Toledo Cent. Catholic	1-1
Valparaiso	22-5
Warsaw	11-0
Washington-Clay	3-0-1
West Lafayette	2-0

**Game 1:
Aug. 21, 2015**

**No. 3 PENN 34, Valparaiso 0
At Valparaiso High School**

Kingsmen run all over Valparaiso in season opener

August 21, 2015 11:00 pm • [Paul Oren Times Correspondent](#)

VALPARAISO | Valparaiso was outperformed at nearly every turn on Friday night and coach Dave Coyle didn't hide from that fact following Penn's season-opening beatdown of the Vikings.

The Kingsmen racked up 427 total yards of offense, including 340 rushing yards, in a 34-0 rout that gave Penn its fifth straight victory over Valparaiso.

"If you want to know who the No. 1 team in the state is, that's one of the biggest lines I've ever seen," Coyle said. "That's our mark now. Nine weeks from now we want to be competitive in this game."

The Vikings (0-1) looked competitive in the first quarter save for one long Penn touchdown drive. The Kingsmen (1-0) opened the game by chewing up yards on the ground in an 11-play, 72-yard drive which resulted in a four-yard touchdown run from senior quarterback Camden Bohn.

Valparaiso's defense responded by forcing a three-and-out on the next series and then senior Austin Ford picked off Bohn toward the end of the first quarter. The Vikings couldn't capitalize on either stop as Jared Smolar was just wide on a 49-yard field goal and then had another attempt blocked.

"I'm proud of our defense," Coyle said. "Hats off to (Defensive Coordinator) Sam Bernardi and his staff. That's a great offense. We just couldn't keep them off the

Penn	7	6	14	7 -- 0
Valparaiso	0	0	0	0 -- 0

P -- Camden Bohn 4 run (Jared Hancock kick), 1st 8:04

P -- Bohn 17 run (Kick failed), 2nd 5:36

P -- Cedric Vakalahi 76 run (Sam Scholtes kick), 3rd, 8:26

P -- Bohn 28 run (Scholtes kick), 3rd, 5:32

P -- Andy Doty 48 run (Cameron Marsh kick), 4th 4:32

	Penn	Valparaiso
First Downs	16	5
Total Net Yards	427	110
Rushes-Yards	37-340	30-39
Passing	87	71

field. It's something we talked about. We wanted long, sustained drives, but we couldn't get those going."

Valparaiso's retooled ground game was a non-factor as starting running back Bryce Crook totaled just two yards on five carries. Senior quarterback Matthew Mayes led the Vikings with 23 rushing yards and the team finished with just 39 yards on 30 carries. Mayes threw for 71 yards while Crook had eight catches for 40 yards.

"We didn't execute," Mayes said. "Part of that is on my shoulders. We weren't sustaining drives on offense and our defense was getting tired. We have to keep spirits up by getting points on the board."

Coyle listened quietly during Mayes' comments and after the quarterback headed toward the locker room, the fourth-year head coach made a point to deflect any of the blame from Mayes.

"Nothing is on his shoulders tonight," Coyle said. "He did everything that we asked him to do."

"It's Week 1. There are several things that happened that we'll get corrected. We don't shy away. We want to play the best."

Bohn, who is heading to Harvard next fall, finished the night with three rushing touchdowns and threw for 87 yards while Cedric Vakalahi had 131 rushing yards and a touchdown.

Comp.-Att.-Int.	9-14-1-87	15-21-0-71
Penalties-Yards	6-45	2-15
Fumbles Lost	0	0

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING -- PENN, Cedric Vakalahi 10-131, Austin Laughman 2-12, Rashid Fahim 8-46, Camden Bohn 9-56, Leonard Martz 3-52, James Iapalucci 2-(-2), Andy Doty 1-48, Hunter Whitlow 1-1, Brock Zolman 1-(-4). VALPARAISO, Chris Orlich 1-1, Bryce Crook 5-2, Matthew Mayes 12-23, Greg Lichtenberger 3-8, Zach Jones 2-11, Jordan Swenson 1-(-3), Danny Wampner 2-(-2), Carson Krutz 2-(-2), Aaron Harris 1-2, Jake Leffew 1-(-1).

PASSING -- PENN, Camden Bohn 9-14-1-87. VALPARAISO, Matthew Mayes 15-21-0-71.

RECEIVING -- PENN, Nolan Metcalf 1-32, Brice Voorde 1-9, John Ohlson 5-44, Cedric Vakalahi 1-1, Dominic Mares 1-1. VALPARAISO, Bryce Crook 8-40, Greg Lichtenberger 4-14, Kyle Krsak 3-17.

**Game 2:
Aug. 28, 2015**

**No. 3 PENN 31, Merrillville 12
At TCU Freed Field, Penn High School**

HS football: Penn gets a test

Merrillville makes Kingsmen go the distance

By Tom Noie South Bend Tribune

MISHAWAKA – Fourth quarters on football Friday nights have been foreign the last five years for Penn’s key contributors.

Typically by the time the final 12 minutes arrive, be it in an early non-league contest or late Northern Indiana Conference challenge, the Kingsmen core has long called it a night. The main guys are on the sideline from late in the third quarter on thinking about what’s coming the following week.

That wasn’t the case Friday for fourth-ranked (Class 6-A) Penn (2-0) in its home opener against Merrillville at newly-named TCU Freed Field. Many of the Kingsmen starters on both sides still had their chinstraps buckled as the final horn sounded in a 31-12 victory.

This one wasn’t supposed to be that close. Certainly not after the Pirates (0-2) made the trek east across the Indiana Toll Road and then proceeded to turn the ball over the first two times they even touched it. But Merrillville’s main guys settled down, settled in and gave senior quarterback Camden Bohn, senior linebacker Kobe

Woods and the rest of the Kingsmen all they could handle.

And often, a whole lot more.

There was Bohn, still directing traffic from his spot in the shotgun pocket late in the fourth quarter as he commanded a five-play, 55-yard scoring drive capped by a 43-yard touchdown run from Landon Martz to help ice it. There was Woods, still chasing senior quarterback Demond Wilkins up and down and around the FieldTurf with mixed results. Wilkins often picked apart the Kingsmen defense with his arm and his legs, the type of performance that hasn’t been seen at Freed since former Riley quarterback Daigien Morgan did something similar late in 2013.

“It’s really good to play a team like this, something that’s going to push us week to week,” Woods said. “We’ll learn from this. We’ll get better.

“This is a big win.”

Bohn believes Penn needed a night like this for many reasons, not the least of which is the long trip next week to suburban Detroit to face Birmingham Brother Rice. The Kingsmen were tested Friday, and plan

to put to good use what they learned from having to work — and often work hard — for a full game.

“We ramped up our schedule a little bit this year for exactly that reason,” Bohn said. “Sometimes we get to the postseason and we’re playing in the fourth quarter and it throws us off a little bit. It’s great for our team to be playing four-quarter games.”

Early turnovers sidetracked any hope Merrillville had of getting out of St. Joseph County with a win. The Pirates turned it over each of the first three times they had it – one on the opening kickoff, another on their first play from scrimmage. Another on their third possession. Once the Pirates figured out they had to take care of the ball, there were too many times when a key player seemingly didn’t want it. Wilkins was hurt in the second half by several drops from receivers who were ready to run before the ball arrived. A big play here and there and it really might have gotten interesting.

“When we make the plays and don’t kill ourselves with mistakes, we can be a pretty good team,” Wilkins said. “If we make

• **PENN 31, MERRILLVILLE 12**

At TCU Freed Field

Merrillville	0	0	6	6 – 12
Penn	7	7	7	10 – 31

P – Camden Bohn 1 run (Sam Scholtes)

P – Bohn 1 run (Scholtes kick)

P – Christopher Crothers 7 pass from Bohn (Scholtes kick)

M – James Kirklen 11 pass from Demond Wilkins (kick blocked)

P – Scholtes 35 field goal

M – Matthew Sims 23 pass from Wilkins (pass failed)

P – Landon Martz 43 run (Scholtes kick)

	Merrill.	Penn
First downs	16	18
Rushing yards	104	206
Passing yards	177	186
Comp-Att-Int.	19-26-0	12-21-0
Punts-Avg.	3-35.3	2-28.0
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-0
Penalties-yards	12-60	4-35

a couple more plays, maybe we’re in the game and up a couple touchdowns.”

Penn needed all of six seconds to muster the game’s first turnover before finding the end zone 39 seconds later. The Pirates coughed up the opening kickoff, the Kingsmen recovered at the Merrillville 21 and three plays later, were in the end zone with the first of two Bohn dives from a yard out.

“That was a huge momentum shift,” Bohn said. “We knew it was going to be a long game. These guys had freaks of athletes.”

It looked to be one of those easy nights for the Kingsmen in front of a massive home crowd. But just when it looked like Merrillville was going to be in for a long night, the Pirates delivered a defensive effort that limited Penn to 34 total yards the first quarter. Nothing about this one for Penn would be easy. And that’s OK.

“As the game progressed, we got back to basics,” Woods said, “and ended up with a great finish.”

**Game 3:
Sept. 4, 2015**

**No. 3 PENN 29, Brother Rice 7
At Hurley Field, Berkley, Mich.**

Bohn, Penn overpower Brother Rice

thepennant.com

BERKLEY, Mich. – Quarterback Camden Bohn rushed for 258 yards on 18 carries and scored four touchdowns to power Penn to a 29-7 victory against Brother Rice in high school football action on Friday night.

Penn, ranked No. 4 in Class 6-A, is 2-0 and hosts Orchard Lake Saint Mary's next Friday. Brother Rice, which has one three of the last four Division 2 state titles in Michigan, falls to 0-2.

Bohn, a 6-foot-5, 225-pound Harvard commit, scored on runs of 11, 4, 57 and 82 yards.

Penn struck first. Kingsmen quarterback Camden Bohn blasted 11 yards up the middle and powered into the end zone for a 6-0 lead. Sam Scholtes added the extra point to make it 7-0. The Kingsmen drive started at their 39 after stopping Brother Rice on downs.

Reece Treber picked off a pass to give Penn the ball at the Brother Rice 42 with 5:55 left in the second quarter. Penn reached the Brother Rice 29 but was stopped on downs.

Following a Penn punt, Brother Rice marched from its 10 to the Penn 45. Will Vakalahi with the brakes on the Warriors' drive with an interception at the Penn 30 with :36 left in the second quarter.

Penn drove to the Brother Rice 43 when the second quarter ended.

Penn received the opening kickoff for the second half and marched 80 yards in 10 plays. Bohn ran around the left end for a four-yard touchdown. Scholtes kicked the extra point for a 14-0 Penn lead with 5:37 left in the third quarter.

Brother Rice then put together an 80-yard drive that ended on quarterback John Tracy scrambling four yards for the TD to close the score to 14-7 with :17 left in the third quarter.

Penn answered on the next possession. Bohn broke loose and sprinted 57 yards for a touchdown. Bohn ran for the two-point conversion to give the Kingsmen a 22-8 lead with 9:23 left in the fourth quarter.

Bohn broke the game open with an 82-yard run on a third-and-7 to put the Kingsmen up 29-7 with 4:31 left in the game.

PENN	7	0	7	15 -- 29
Brother Rice	0	0	7	0 -- 7

First quarter

P – Camden Bohn 11 run (Sam Scholtes kick) 2:38.

Third quarter

P – Bohn 4 run (Scholtes kick) 5:37.

BR – John Tracy 4 run (Alex Nast kick) :17.

Fourth quarter

P – Bohn 57 run (Bohn run) 9:23.

P _ Bohn 82 run (Scholtes kick) 4:31.

**Game 4:
Sept. 11, 2015**

**No. 1 Orchard Lake St. Mary's 24, No. 2 PENN 21
At Penn High School**

Victory eludes Penn against Orchard Lake St. Mary's

By Steve Lowe Tribune Correspondent

MISHAWAKA — Opportunities were at a premium for second-ranked Penn in the second half Friday night, and the Kingsmen didn't do enough with the few they had.

Trailing by a touchdown at halftime, Penn's offense got the ball just three times in the final two quarters and came up short in a 24-21 loss at TCU Freed Field to Michigan's No. 1 and defending Division 3 state champions, Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

Kingsmen quarterback Camden Bohn finished with 96 yards rushing and Penn's only score in those three opportunities, a six-yard run with 3:06 left to get within three points. But the previous two Penn possessions of the half ended with Bohn losing a fumble and getting stuffed on a fourth-and-one at its own 41.

"We just couldn't quite finish it," said Penn coach Cory Yeoman.

After Bohn's touchdown run, St. Mary's quarterback Brendan Tabone completed two important third-down passes to keep the ball away from Bohn and the Kingsmen (3-1) and run out the clock.

Tabone was 9-of-10 for 140 yards, but the St. Mary's (3-0) wishbone rushing attack chewed up 238 yards and precious minutes off the clock all game long.

"We ran the football very effectively," said St. Mary's coach George Porritt. "We were fortunate to get out of here with a victory tonight."

The Eaglets' big-play stars staked them to an early 21-7 lead. Running back

Justin Myrick had over 100 yards rushing before halftime, most of which came on a 72-yard thunderbolt to answer an equally-electrifying 67-yard punt return for a touchdown by Penn's John Ohlson.

Wide receiver KJ Hamler, a three-star Michigan and Michigan State recruit according 247Sports, hauled in a 44-yard bomb from Tabone to set up St. Mary's second touchdown.

"They can hurt you in a hurry," Yeoman said of the Eaglets' playmakers. "Our guys got punched and knocked down, but I was extremely proud with how we responded and kept battling back. We've still got a lot of work to do, but I know our guys are going to compete every week after a night like tonight."

On defense, St. Mary's linebacker Josh Ross, a four-star prospect who's drawn interest from Ohio State and Notre Dame, finished with 10 tackles and harassed Bohn one week after he lit up another Michigan school, Birmingham Rice, for 258 yards rushing and four touchdowns.

Bohn managed just 17 yards on the ground in the first half, but Penn made adjustments and began to pick up chunks of yardage with Bohn and running back Cedric Vakalahi.

"(Bohn's) a great quarterback," Porritt said. "He's tough, he's physical. I thought we put some hits on him, then he put some hits on us in the second half. He was clocking us a little bit."

Bohn also hit on 13-of-16 through the air for 111 yards and two touchdowns. Nine of those passes found Brice Voorde, **At TCU Freed Field**

who finished with 77 yards receiving and a two-yard touchdown grab before the half.

St. Mary's	7	14	3	0 – 24
Penn	7	7	0	7 – 21

- P - John Ohlson 67 punt return (Sam Scholtes kick)
- SM - Justin Myrick 72 run (John Kwiecinski kick)
- SM - Ryan Johnson 4 pass from Brendan Tabone (Kwiecinski kick)
- SM - Myrick 6 run (Kwiecinski kick)
- P - Brice Voorde 2 pass from Camden Bohn (Scholtes kick)
- SM - Kwiecinski 25 field goal
- P - Bohn 6 run (Scholtes kick)

	SM	P
Rushing	238	161
Passing yards	140	111
Passing	9-10-0	13-16-0
First downs	16	14
Punts-avg	2-42	3-36
Fumbles-lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-yds	8-64	4-35

**Game 5:
Sept. 19, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 28, South Bend Adams 7
At TCU Freed Field, Penn High School**

Welcome wake-up call

Penn delivers on defense to open NIC play

By Tom Noie South Bend Tribune

MISHAWAKA – Rolling over to wrestle with an alarm that was chirping away way too early on a wet and windy Saturday morning, Penn senior cornerback Jason Alexander was tempted to shut it off and steal some more shut-eye.

Alexander then remembered that this was not a typical Saturday. There was a football game to play. A home football game. A Northern Indiana Conference game for fourth-ranked (Class 6-A) Penn at TCU Freed Field.

It didn't take long for Alexander to wipe the short night's sleep from his eyes and get his football mind right. Come late morning, Alexander and his fellow defensive starters were back doing what they usually do in the conference – making plays and limiting the other team's ability to get anything going.

Alexander intercepted an early pass and defended two others as Penn (4-1; 1-0 NIC North Division) got back on the winning track with a 28-7 victory over Adams (2-3; 1-

1) in a game postponed by bad weather from the previous night.

“We were hyped last night and we were hyped this morning,” said Alexander, who responded to his 7 a.m. wake-up call rather reluctantly. “Us seniors, we have only so many more games to play. We got up this morning and said, ‘Let’s just play our best and go out with the ‘W.’”

Still stung by a home loss the previous week to Orchard Lake (Mich.) St. Mary’s, Penn knew it needed to get back to doing what it does well on defense – dominate - to get back in the win column.

Adams had trouble moving the ball all morning. Its lone score didn’t arrive until the closing seconds, when Alexander the rest of the “Wild Bunch” starters had long given way to reserves. Back when the game mattered, and the Kingsmen needed to make a big play here, a stop there, Alexander and the rest of the defensive starters delivered.

Watching film earlier in the week, Alexander took note of what he saw. Adams liked to put the ball in the air plenty behind quarterback Andrew Burgess. That means plenty of opportunities for the Penn coverage guys, like Alexander, to make plays. Alexander welcomed the challenge that Burgess would look his way – and he often did – because Alexander was determined to make something happen.

“I saw on film that they were great players,” Alexander said. “It was a huge challenge. I had confidence that we could stop them.”

Following the Eagles’ first two possessions, which netted all of (minus-3) yards, Alexander ended the visitor’s third chance midway through the first quarter with a third-down interception.

What was Alexander thinking when he saw the ball sailing his way?

“It’s mine,” he said.

Alexander had plenty of company in the big-play department. Fellow defensive back Paul Moala also detoured an Eagle drive with an interception. Linebacker Kobe

Adams	0	0	0	7 – 7
Penn	7	7	7	7 – 28

Woods sacked Woodruff for an 11-yard loss early in the fourth quarter. Defensive tackle Zach Main blew up a Burgess scramble for a 12-yard loss not long after halftime. And outside linebacker Parker Adkins set the tone on the game’s first play when he shot in and stuffed Adams tailback Gabe Brooks for a four-yard loss.

“They move to the ball very well; they flow very well,” Adams coach Craig Redman said of the Penn defense. “What they do is assignment football. It’s a great team.”

Offensively, the Kingsmen methodically wore down the opposition by pounding away with their running game behind a massive offensive line, Penn’s four scores – one in each quarter – all came on the ground.

The last South Bend public school to beat Penn way back in 1985, Adams had its two-game win streak snapped because of an inability to move the ball and capitalize on plays that were there to be made. A good drive would stall with a drop on a sure big-gainer. A positive march soon would be headed in the other direction because of penalties.

Adams just didn’t have an answer for adversity.

“We had some missed opportunities,” Redman said. “At times, we were on. Our defense played really well. But we’ve got to get better at handling adversity and change.”

Adams opened the third quarter with two big plays. Completions from Woodruff to Brandon Wadley (27 yards) and Garrett Jackson (40) gained more than twice as many yards as it had tallied in the first half (32). Having marched to the Penn 20, Adams saw opportunity quickly get away in four plays, which featured two incomplete passes and a Woodruff sack.

“Our main goal was to limit the big plays,” Alexander said. “Cover their athletes and not give them any space. That’s what we did.”

P – Cedric Vakalahi 1 run (Sam Scholtes kick)
 P – Landon Martz 7 run (Scholtes kick)
 P – Camden Bohn 1 run (Scholtes kick)
 P – Martz 1 run (Scholtes kick)
 A – Gabe Brooks 1 run (Masen Beck kick)

Adams Penn		
First downs	11	10
Rushing yards	39	175
Passing yards	133	96
Comp-Att.-Int.	11-27-2	9-14-0
Punts-Avg.	4-35.0	3-45.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-41	9-80

**Game 6:
 Sept. 25, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 50, South Bend St. Joseph 13
 At South Bend St. Joseph**

Penn smothers St. Joseph

Penn's rout of St. Joe leaves both sides feeling good

By Al Lesar South Bend Tribune

SOUTH BEND — No thunderstorms were anywhere in the vicinity of South Bend St. Joseph High School Friday night, but Indians football coach Ben Downey didn't have any trouble seeing the silver lining in what clouds that might have been hovering over Father Bly Field.

And when a team gets beat 50-13 by Penn, there are likely to be clouds.

"This is the thinnest, most injured St. Joe team I've ever coached," said Downey, in his sixth year as the Indian chief. "I couldn't be prouder of the way these guys played, competed and led tonight. We had some positive energy from some phenomenal leaders."

That's a pretty bold statement about a team that just got tagged with half-a-hundred.

Downey was quick to heap plenty of credit on Penn (5-1, 2-0 Northern Indiana Conference North), which turned to its backups after halftime while leading 36-7. But when he went down a list of five starters who were sidelined – offensive tackle Peter Wiegand and defensive lineman Nolan Sage were out before the game and three more (running back Stephan Kiai, running

back Zach Credi and wide receiver Jack Deahl) were hurt early Friday – all he could do was shake his head and smile when he considered how St. Joe (3-3, 2-1) continued to battle.

"We've never entered a game with more adversity," Downey said.

The most memorable moment — for different reasons — for both Penn and St. Joe came just before halftime. The Indians put together a 12-play, 82-yard drive against the first-team Kingsmen defense that ended in a nine-yard touchdown pass from Tony Carmola to Mark Madden.

Downey was happy to see his offense get in the end zone. Penn coach Cory Yeoman, on the other hand, saw some opportunities slip away.

A 16-yard burst by Ryan Mannell was the most productive play in the drive, and a pass interference penalty was the most frustrating for Penn.

"I'm able to learn plenty after a win like this," said Yeoman. "That (82-yard) drive gave us a lot to work on next week.

"We don't have any greenhorns anymore. Now is the time to eliminate silly mistakes that either stop a drive on offense

or keep us from getting off the field on defense.”

From a three-point loss to Michigan power Orchard Lake St. Mary’s a couple weeks ago, the Kingsmen are trying to build some steam to take into the Class 6-A state tournament in four weeks.

“I was happy to see (quarterback) Cam (Bohn) make some good decisions throwing the ball tonight,” Yeoman said.

Bohn completed 11 of 16 passes for 123 yards and two touchdowns (15 and 11 yards to Brice Voorde). He also ran six yards for a TD in the first half. He spent the second half as a spectator.

Penn	14	22	7	7—50
St. Joe	0	7	0	6—13

	Penn	St. Joe
First downs	15	11
Rushing yards	217	141
Passing yards	123	35
Passing	11-16-0	5-10-0
Punts-avg.	2-44	6-31
Fumbles lost	0	1
Penalties-yards	2-20	1-15

P – Cam Bohn 6 run (Sam Scholtes kick)

P – Landon Martz 6 run (Scholtes kick)

P – Brice Voorde 15 pass from Bohn (Martz run)

P – Parker Adkins recovered fumble in end zone (Scholtes kick)

SJ – Mark Madden 9 pass from Tony Carmola (Kyle Killilea kick)

P – Voorde 11 pass from Bohn (Scholtes kick)

P – Martz 3 run (Scholtes kick)

P – Andy Doty 74 run (Scholtes kick)

SJ – Devante Newbill 1 run (kick blocked)

Landon Martz had a pair of touchdown runs. Parker Adkins recovered a St. Joe fumble in the end zone. Penn backup running back Andy Doty had the big play of the day, a 74-yard fourth quarter burst to cap the scoring. Devante Newbill had St. Joe’s other TD from a yard out.

“Our maturation process is still a work in progress,” Yeoman said. “Our senior class is learning about being leaders. They are having to be aware of the big picture, rather than just taking care of themselves.

“It’s something we’re continually working on.”

**Game 7:
Oct. 2, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 55, South Bend Clay 0
At Clay Field, South Bend**

Penn dominates winless Clay in NIC football victory

Bohn accounts for four touchdowns for Kingsmen, who remained perfect in Northern Indiana Conference play

Posted on Oct. 2, 2015 at 11:37 p.m.

SOUTH BEND — Quarterback Camden Bohn threw three touchdown passes and ran for a fourth to lead the Penn Kingsmen to an easy 55-0 victory over South Bend Clay.

Bohn tossed touchdown passes of 43 and 21 yards to John Ohlson in the first quarter, and a 20-yard scoring pass to

Nolan Metcalf. Bohn added a 7-yard TD run in the second quarter.

Penn totaled 434 yards of total offense in the game, including 273 on the ground.

The Kingsmen, now 6-1 and 3-0 in the Northern Indiana Conference North, will host Elkhart Central next Friday at Freed Field.

Penn	21	21	7	6 — 55
Clay	0	0	0	0 — 0

Scoring Summary

First Quarter

P — Nolan Metcalf 20 pass from Camden Bohn, Sam Scholtes kick.

P — John Ohlson 43 pass from Camden Bohn, Scholtes kick.

P — Ohlson 21 pass from Bohn, Scholtes kick.

Second Quarter

P — Rashid Fahim 6 run, Scholtes kick,

P — Bohn 7 run, Scholtes kick.

P — Cedric Vakalahi 9 run, Scholtes kick

Third Quarter

P — Andy Doty 13 run, Jared Hancock kick.

Fourth Quarter

P — Doty 15 run, kick failed.

**Game 8:
Oct. 9, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 56, Elkhart Central 0
At TCU Freed Field, Penn High School**

Penn stays focused, routs Elkhart Central

By Steve Lowe Tribune Correspondent

MISHAWAKA — It would have been easy for Penn to sneak a peek at the schedule and think about the game looming

next week — arch rival Mishawaka, with the conference title on the line, in the last game of the regular season.

It would have been easy to disregard Friday night's opponent, a one-win Elkhart Central team. That didn't happen, though.

The No. 3 (Class 6-A) Kingsmen rolled to a 42-0 lead by halftime, scoring touchdowns on six of their seven first half possessions, on the way to a 56-0 victory at Freed Field.

Penn (7-1, 4-0 NIC North) clinched a share of its 34th Northern Indiana Conference title. The Kingsmen can win the crown outright next week with a win over Mishawaka, which beat Marian on Friday to stay alive in grabbing at least share of the title.

But according to Penn coach Cory Yeoman, it was easy to focus not on next Friday's opponent, but this Central team that's now lost seven in a row.

"Oh yeah," Yeoman said. "You work so hard for this all winter and spring and summer long. You only get a few times to go out and play with your buddies. They're always ready to play, that's never an issue."

Kingsmen quarterback Camden Bohn went 7-for-8 with two touchdowns through the air in his two quarters of action. His only incomplection was an interception

by Central's Brian Vance when Bohn's receiver went deep but Bohn threw short.

"We had a little miscommunication on that, we have to clean that up," Yeoman said. "You've got to continue to execute and get better."

But that was the lone blip on the radar for the Kingsmen.

"I was very pleased with how we played," Yeoman said.

Central crossed midfield only once in the first half, driving down to the Penn 30 yard line before William Vakalahi intercepted an Antwaan Allen pass. That was the Kingsmen's second pick, coming five minutes after Reece Treber returned one 32 yards for a score.

"We gave up short drives on silly stuff that we went over. They didn't do anything different than what we talked about all week," said Central coach Levon Johnson. "Penn's earned it, but you've got to get past the color of the helmets and the name on the helmet."

Penn held the Blue Blazers (1-7, 0-4) to just 173 total yards and forced four turnovers. Landon Martz led Penn with 67 yards rushing and two touchdown runs in the first two quarters.

At Freed Field

Elk. Cent.	0	0	0	0 — 0
Penn	21	21	0	14 — 56

- P — Landon Martz 1 run (Sam Scholtes kick)
- P — Rashid Fahim 36 run (Scholtes kick)
- P — John Ohlson 20 pass from Camden Bohn (Scholtes kick)
- P — Reece Treber 32 interception return (Scholtes kick)
- P — Nolan Metcalf 8 pass from Bohn (Scholtes kick)
- P — Martz 28 run (Scholtes kick)
- P — Hunter Whitlow 2 run (Caleb Serwatka kick)
- P — Steven Null 8 run (Serwatka kick)

	Elkhart Central	Penn
Rushing	70	294
Passing yards	103	98
Passing	10-20-2	7-8-1
First downs	6	15
Punts-avg.	4-30	1-15
Fumbles-lost	2-2	2-0
Penalties-yds.	5-30	5-40

**Game 9:
Oct. 16, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 41, No. 7 Mishawaka 34
At Steele Stadium, Mishawaka High School**

Penn pulls out victory over Mishawaka

By Al Lesar/South Bend Tribune

MISHAWAKA — Bottle this. Save it for the next six or so weeks.

And Penn and Mishawaka will represent area high school football well in the state tournament.

Friday night's regular-season finale was as good as it gets.

Penn had seven possessions the entire game and scored on five of them. The Kingsmen also came up with a defensive score. They overcame an early 14-0 deficit to pull out a 41-34 verdict in an instant classic.

The victory allowed Penn (8-1, 5-0 in Northern Indiana Conference North) to wrap up the division title and head into next week's Class 6-A sectional opener at home against LaPorte with a full head of steam. Mishawaka (6-3, 3-2) has an open date next Friday, then starts its Class 5-A sectional play at home against Elkhart Central Oct. 30.

I love playing against (Mishawaka coach Bart Curtis) because it's always a chess match," said Penn coach Cory Yeoman. "There for a while, we had our backs on the canvas. With that option (offense) he runs, you always have to be ready to adjust."

Change was the only alternative Penn had. The Cavemen gashed Penn's defense for a 53-yard touchdown run by quarterback Darian Phillips on their first possession, and a 34-yard burst by Greg Burns on the second (which set up a 26-yard TD pass from Phillips to Ryan Wroblewski).

"We started the way we wanted to start," said Curtis. "We just couldn't keep it up."

"We saw some things we hadn't seen before," said Penn defensive end Zach Main. "We had to make some changes."

Offensively, that two-touchdown hole was a signal to Penn quarterback Cam Bohn to go to work. After an initial three-and-out, after which the Kingsmen punted for the only time the entire game, Bohn took charge. He completed two passes for 17 yards and ran three times for 38 yards. His last run of 16 yards was the first of his four running TDs.

"The most important thing for us was to keep our composure," Bohn said of the early deficit. "(Mishawaka's) defense was flying around. This will be a great experience for us in the future."

While the Penn offense was starting to click, the defense was in recovery mode. Phillips scored the second of his four rushing TDs on a drive that leaked into the second quarter. Once the Cavemen went up 20-7, the Kingsmen turned the momentum.

A Mishawaka fumble gave Penn the ball on its 23. It took Bohn, who rushed for 114 yards on 18 carries, one play to cash in. Just before halftime, the Kingsmen mounted a 74-yard, 11-play drive that ended in a one-yard TD run by Bohn and a 21-20 Penn lead.

"Going ahead at halftime was huge," said Yeoman. "We hoped our seniors were going to respond, and they did."

Kobe Woods was a vital part of the Penn defense. A state champion wrestler who will participate in that sport at Purdue, Woods was moved from outside linebacker to defensive tackle to contend with the Cavemen option.

"He is a monster," Curtis said of Woods. "He is really good. We heard a rumor this week that he was going to be moved to defensive end. We were concerned a great deal."

Besides double-digit tackles (the exact number wasn't available), Woods batted an option pitch that Main scooped up

and returned 65 yards for a second-half touchdown.

"I just have to thank my buddies," said Main. "I've never run that far or that fast before. I guess I was surprised a little."

With Main's touchdown, Penn pushed the lead to 34-20. Mishawaka had

Penn	7	14	13	7 — 41
Mishawaka	14	6	0	14 — 34

M – Darian Phillips 53 run (Isaac Nunez kick)

M – Ryan Wroblewski 26 pass from Phillips (Nunez kick)

P – Cam Bohn 16 run (Sam Scholtes kick)

M – Phillips 1 run (kick failed)

P – Bohn 23 run (Scholtes kick)

P – Bohn 1 run (Scholtes kick)

P – Bohn 1 run (Scholtes kick)

P – Zach Main 65 fumble return (run failed)

M – Phillips 1 run (Nunez kick)

P – Rashid Fahim 29 run (Scholtes kick)

M – Phillips 1 run (Nunez kick)

Officials: Aaron Koszyk, Al DeRue, Chuck Henry, Tim Stutsman, Todd Baum

	Penn	Mish
First downs	17	19
Rushing yards	234	292
Passing yards	56	115
Passing	6-10-0	5-5-0
Penalties-yards	5-40	4-35
Fumbles-lost	2-0	2-2

**Game 10:
Oct. 23, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 49, No. 14 LaPorte 21
At TCU Freed Field, Penn High School**

Vakalahi's four scores help Penn soar

By Tom Noie / South Bend Tribune

MISHAWAKA – Putting on the pads and reporting for football duty for the better part of the last three-plus months, Penn senior running back Cedric Vakalahi was willing to add anything to his role as long as it meant winning.

Grind out some short yardage near midfield? OK. Catch a swing pass out of the backfield and fight for tough yards? Got it. Blow open a hole for one of his backfield buddies? Will do.

The 5-foot-9, 195-pounder worked through his assortment of assignments on drives long and short, but when it came time

its back up against the wall. Phillips, who finished with 138 yards on 37 carries, scored twice in the second half but Mishawaka could never completely close the gap. Fullback Peyton Marshall had 116 yards on 18 carries.

to find the end zone, it often was another Kingsmen who carried out that duty.

Until Friday.

Vakalahi matched his season touchdown total – three – in the first half and added a fourth after intermission as third-ranked (Class 6-A) Penn shrugged off an early deficit, scored on its first five possessions and rolled to a 49-21 Class 2-A Sectional 2 victory at TCU Freed Field.

"Our line went out and got the job done," said Vakalahi, who ran for 79 yards on 13 carries. "I was just able to exploit the defense after that. I'm going to run as hard as I can every time I get the ball. I usually

don't keep track of how many (touchdowns) I get.

"It's always nice when I can score."

Penn scored on seven of its first eight possessions through the third quarter. The Kingsmen ran for 330 yards and seven scores. With its offense really in rhythm for much of the last month, Penn has hit for at least 49 points four of the last five weeks after not getting more than 34 points in a game through the first five weeks.

"With our defense having struggled, we knew that we've had to keep it up offensively and pick it up," Vakalahi said. "It's nice that we did."

Penn visits Chesterton (8-2) in next week's sectional championship.

LaPorte won four consecutive postseason games to play for the Class 5-A state championship last fall before graduating to 6-A. The Slicers believed they could make a return run to Lucas Oil Stadium, but were done in by turnovers (three) and an inability to stop the team in black and gold.

"They're just very, very, very good and they've got people who can run the ball," LaPorte coach Dave Sharpe said. "We're playing a good defense, too."

The Kingsmen (9-1) received an early wake-up call when the visitors won the coin toss, elected to receive and promptly marched 79 yards in seven plays, capped by a Gino Francesconi 60-yard burst on fourth-and-one to grab a 7-0 lead.

Maybe, just maybe, this might be their night....

Yeah, right.

Penn responded by forcing two turnovers, turning both into points and scoring 28 unanswered before the Slicers could regain any firm footing. The visitors had the home team on the proverbial ropes with the game tied at seven, only to have inside linebacker Kobe Woods do what seniors usually do this time of year – deliver a game-swinging play.

At TCU Freed Field

LaPorte	7	7	0	7 – 21
Penn	7	28	14	0 – 49

L – Gino Francesconi 60 run (Casey Cornett kick)

P – Cedric Vakalahi 21 run (Sam Scholtes kick)

With LaPorte (6-4) seemingly marching toward a go-ahead score – it had moved with relative ease behind its no-huddle, option attack from its own 19 all the way south to the Penn 16 – Woods pounced on a fumble on first down.

"I just went to the middle and everyone was doing their part," Woods said. "I saw the defense giving a big push and messing up their read. That was a big momentum shift for the night."

Eleven plays, 82 yards and the start of a new quarter later, quarterback Camden Bohn was in the end zone and the Kingsmen were ahead on the scoreboard to stay.

Woods squelched another Slicer drive midway through the third quarter with his second fumble recovery. That ensuing Penn possession, like the one after Woods' first takeaway, ended in another touchdown.

Woods left the wind-swept field late Friday with a smile on his face knowing that his two fumble recoveries were big, but that both led to scores was bigger.

"That's awesome for our team," Woods said. "It's good to know that if you make a big play on defense, it will end in a touchdown on offense."

"Once we settled down and got back to the basics, we started playing winning football."

Penn sailed into postseason winners of five straight following its lone loss Sept. 11 to Orchard Lake (Mich.) St. Mary's. LaPorte came to St. Joseph County having won three in a row after losing three straight in the middle of the season. In keeping with the three theme, the Slicers opened with three wins before hitting the losing skid.

They left Freed Field in relative silence.

"I'm proud of our guys," Sharpe said. "It's a good group, man. It's going to be tough to say good-bye to these guys."

P – Camden Bohn 21 run (Scholtes kick)
 P – Vakalahi 8 run (Scholtes kick)
 P – Bohn 5 run (Scholtes kick)
 L – Dion Williams 56 run (Cornett kick)
 P – Vakalahi 3 run (Scholtes kick)
 P – Vakalahi 3 run (Scholtes kick)
 P – Rashid Fahim 3 run (Scholtes kick)
 L – Brennen Long 21 run (Cornett kick)

	LaPorte	Penn
First downs	8	17
Rushing yards	286	330
Passing yards	30	39
Comp-Att.-Int.	3-6-0	4-6-0
Punts-Avg.	3-29.6	2-37.5
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-11	2-20

**Game 11:
 Oct. 30, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 49, No. 13 Chesterton 14
 At Chesterton High School**

Penn drubs Chesterton in sectional final for the third year in a row

By Jim Peters

CHESTERTON | There was a glimmer, albeit brief in the second quarter.

Luke Zelenika intercepted Penn's Camden Bohn at midfield and returned it 29 yards. A few plays later, an 8-yard Garritt Slatcoff touchdown pass to Rhett Rondinelli brought Chesterton within 21-7 of the Kingsmen with 4:33 left in the first half.

It didn't take Penn long to squash those hopes. Less than four minutes later, Penn had erupted for three touchdowns to blow the game wide open.

"That was a really nice way to end the half," Kingsmen coach Cory Yeoman said. "We got some turnovers and were able to take advantage of them."

State No. 3 Penn took the 42-7 lead to half and cruised past the No. 10 Trojans 49-14 for their third consecutive Class 6A Sectional 2 championship, all coming against Chesterton.

"That was on me," Trojans quarterback Garritt Slatcoff said. "I have to be smarter in my decision making. I can't throw those interceptions in inopportune situations. That hurt us a lot. They're a great team, but they were beatable. We beat ourselves the second quarter. That hole was tough to dig out of in the second half."

Chesterton (8-3) needed to play a clean game to have a chance. It didn't come close, turning the ball over four times,

including a pair of Slatcoff picks in the decisive end-of-half sequence.

"They play at a different speed, a different pace," Chesterton coach Mark Peterson said. "We were right there until we turned it over the second time. We felt there were some things we could do passing the ball. We had some drops early on. If you would've told me we'd have three picks and a fumble, I'd tell you you're crazy. We've held on to the ball. That's a credit to them and we've got to take care of some things.

It was 28-7 when Slatcoff was hit as he threw and the ball waffled into the hands of Penn's Kobe Woods. Once again, Penn immediately capitalized as Bohn found a wide-open Brice Voorde, who shook off two tackles for a 55-yard touchdown. The avalanche continued with a 28-yard pick six by Jason Alexander, who had two interceptions.

"That was a snowball; 21 to 42 was a pretty dramatic change," Peterson said.

The start wasn't much better. Chesterton was down 14 before it mustered its initial first down, that on a Penn roughing the kicker penalty, the Kingsmen countering two three-and-outs with short touchdown runs.

The Trojans reached the Penn 8 before having to settle a 30-yard field goal try. An ill-fated fake, with holder Joe Stento throwing to Needham, was stuffed for a loss at the 18. On the next play, Bohn raced 82 yards down the right sideline to make it 21-0.

"They gave us a different look. I was trying to call timeout and they didn't hear me," Peterson said. "We came in to the game with an aggressive mentality and we wanted to maintain that. From that perspective, it didn't work, but we didn't come just to play in the game, we came to win it."

Bohn got the second half off, finishing with 124 yards on just six carries to

Penn 49, Chesterton 14

Penn	15	27	0	7 -- 49
Chesterton	0	7	7	0 -- 14

P -- Rashid Fahim 1 run (Sam Scholtes kick), 9:17 1Q

P -- Camden Bohn 1 run (Cedric Vakalahi run), 3:18 1Q

P -- Bohn 82 run (kick failed), 6:33 2Q

go with 99 yards and two scores on just two completions.

"The backs ran hard, the line had a nice game and Cam had some nice shots downfield," Yeoman said. "We just took advantage of what was there."

Fahim picked up 74 yards on only five rushes. Martz also had 74 for Penn, which used four quarterbacks. It rushed for 325 in all, averaging over 10 per carry.

"We just couldn't get (the defense) off the field," Peterson said. "We can't match that size."

Slatcoff, who hit Rondinelli from 20 yards out for Chesterton's second TD, threw for 146 yards, completing 15 of 23 passes. Matt Estill had three catches for 55 yards.

"He did a great job keeping plays alive and making plays down field," Yeoman said of Slatcoff.

While still fighting his emotions afterward, Slatcoff was able to find some perspective amid the disappointing finish.

"We didn't give up and I'm proud of that," he said. "It'll feel good, looking back. Not many people thought we could do what we did. We worked our butts off and believed in ourselves. It's the closest team I've ever been a part of. It didn't end the way we wanted, but I'm proud of the team and what we did. We proved a lot of people wrong."

Peterson reiterated the 'we, not me' mentality that made the team fun to coach.

"It's been a great group," he said. "They support each other. They bought in 100 percent. There's a ton to be proud of. (The seniors) will be missed immensely, but we're excited about the underclassmen."

Penn defeated the Trojans 41-7 and 30-0 the last two years. It will return to the Region next week to face Merrillville in the regional.

C -- Rhett Rondinelli 8 pass from Garritt Slatcoff (Nate Needham kick), 4:33 2Q

P -- Fahim 44 pass from Bohn (Scholtes kick), 3:32 2Q

P -- Brice Voorde 55 pass from Bohn (Scholtes kick), 1:37 2Q

P -- Jason Alexander 23 INT return (Scholtes kick), 0:52.8 2Q

C -- Rondinelli 20 pass from Slatcoff (Needham kick), 0:27.3 3Q

P -- Landon Martz 9 run (Scholtes kick), 8:11 4Q

Penn Chesterton

First Downs	15	13
Total Net Yards	431	210
Rushes-Yards	32-325	30-64
Passing	106	146
Comp.-Att.-Int.	3-7-1	16-24-3
Penalties-Yards	4-40	1-1
Punts-Avg.	0-0	2-39.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	4-1

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING -- PENN, Camden Bohn 6-124, Rashid Fahim 4-74, Landon Martz 11-74, Andy Doty 2-18, Cedric Vakalahi 5-18, James Iaplucci 3-11, Steve Null 1-6. CHESTERTON, DaQwon Stewart 7-27, Garritt Slatcoff 11-25, Rhett Rondinelli 9-6, Louie Razo 3-6.

PASSING -- PENN, Camden Bohn 2-4-1-99, James Iaplucci 1-3-0-7. CHESTERTON, Garritt Slatcoff 15-23-3-146, Joe Stento 1-1-0-(-5).

RECEIVING -- PENN, Brice Voorde 1-55, Rashid Fahim 1-44, John Ohlson 1-5. CHESTERTON, Matt Estill 3-55, Rhett Rondinelli 7-42, Louie Razo 3-26, Colton Tuzinski 1-13, Logan Hofferth 1-10, Nate Needham 1-(-5).

**Game 12:
Nov. 6, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 56, Merrillville 38
At Merrillville High School**

Penn advances in shootout

By Lewis Bagley / South Bend Tribune

MERRILLVILLE — You couldn't blame Penn coach Corey Yeoman if he was a bit dizzy Friday after his team's 56-38, Class 6-A regional victory over Merrillville.

After all, when his defense allows over 500 yards and that point total to an opponent it held to 12 earlier this season, the victory didn't come the way it was planned.

Yet, because the Penn offense was its efficient self and the defense came up with four interceptions, the Kingsmen (11-1) will host Carmel at 7:30 p.m. Friday for a semistate championship.

Merrillville ran up 527 yards (301 passing) and 25 first downs. It took four interceptions thrown by quarterback Demond Wilkins and another brilliant performance by Penn quarterback Camden Bohn to subdue the Pirates. Bohn passed the 1,000-yard career rushing mark by gaining 183 yards on 20 carries. He rushed for three touchdowns and passed for two more.

"This happens all the time in high school football," Yeoman said of meeting Merrillville again. "A lot changes from Week Two (when Penn won, 31-12) to Week 12.

As the year has gone on, Merrillville has gotten better and better.”

That was apparent from the get-go Friday at Demaree Stadium. Penn punted after three plays before the Pirates took 6-0 lead on a 58-yard pass from Wilkins to James Walters.

What ultimately kept an upset from happening, however, is that Penn had all the answers for the Pirates.

Penn needed only three plays to take the lead for good when Bohn ran in from 60 yards. The point-after by Sam Scholtes gave the Kingsmen a 7-6 lead.

Reece Treber’s first of two interceptions on the final play of the first quarter allowed Bohn to ramble in from 78 yards two plays later and a 14-6 lead.

After Will Vakalahi returned an interception 46 yards on the fourth play after the kickoff, Penn had a 21-6 lead and it looked as though the rout was on.

Despite another interception on his next pass, which Penn couldn’t turn into points, Wilkins rallied his team. After trailing, 28-14, at halftime, Wilkins directed an 11-play, 69-yard drive to open the second half, then after a 62-yard TD jaunt by Penn’s Landon Martz, took the Pirates down the

Penn	7	21	7	21 — 56
Merrillville	6	8	12	12 — 38

- M — James Walters 58 pass from Demond Wilkins (run failed)
- P — John Ohlson 60 pass from Camden Bohn (Sam Scholtes kick)
- P — Bohn 78 run (Scholtes kick)
- P — Will Vakalahi 46 interception return (Scholtes kick)
- M — Wilkins 4 run (Anthony Sams pass from Wilkins)
- P — Landon Martz 9 pass from Bohn (Scholtes kick)
- M — Myles Taylor 2 run (pass failed)
- P — Martz 62 run (Scholtes kick)
- M — James Kirklen 27 pass from Wilkins (pass failed)
- P — Bohn 2 run (Scholtes kick)
- M — Walters 13 pass from Wilkins (pass failed)
- P — Bohn 17 run (Scholtes kick)
- P — Martz 30 run (Scholtes kick)
- M — Taylor 8 run (pass failed)

	P	MV
First downs	14	25
Rushing yards	366	226
Passing yards	69	301
Punts-avg.	3-35	3-28
Fumbles-lost	2-2	1-0
Penalties-yards	4-35	7-56

field on a nine-play, 70-yard drive, culminating in a 27-yard TD pass to James Kirklen to pull Merrillville within 35-26.

Yet, the answer kept coming from the Kingsmen as Bohn scored on a 2-yard run on the first play of the fourth quarter, then again answered Merrillville’s next score (a 13-yard TD catch by James Walters) with a 17-yard scoring run and a 49-32 lead.

Treber’s second interception with 5:51 left seemed to finally take the wind from the Pirates, even though both teams scored again to provide the final total.

“We felt we had a good game plan and had a great week of practice,” Merrillville coach Brad Seiss said. “Penn didn’t stop us so much as we stopped ourselves. I guess they had every answer.”

Which means another week, at least, for the Kingsmen.

“You want to win championships,” Yeoman said, “but this gives us more time to work with these young men. We have fun preparing and it’s just fun to keep playing.”

Even Yeoman admitted concern with his defense,

“Hey, we have another week to fix this,” he said.

**Game 13:
Nov. 13, 2015**

**No. 4 PENN 16, No. 2 Carmel 10
At TCU Freed Field, Penn High School**

Penn punches ticket to state

By Al Lesar South Bend Tribune

MISHAWAKA – Forty-six minutes worth of domination was enough to punch Penn's ticket to Indianapolis.

For all but the last two minutes of the football game, when Carmel (10-3) scored its only touchdown, the Kingsmen owned the line of scrimmage and dictated the flow of the game Friday night in the Class 6-A semistate.

Penn quarterback Cam Bohn ran for a touchdown and kicker Sam Scholtes, who had hit one of just two field goals all season, connected on three in a 16-10 win over the Greyhounds.

After a week off, Penn (12-1) will play Center Grove (13-0) for the state championship in Lucas Oil Stadium Saturday, Nov. 28 at 7:05 p.m.

This was ironic payback, even if no one was in a mood to admit it.

Last year, Penn's 14-13 semistate loss to Carmel came down to a missed extra point kick and 32-yard field goal. This time, Scholtes – who wasn't doing the kicking then – delivered in the clutch. He connected from 22, 38 and 40 yards.

The Penn Kingsmen defeat Carmel to advance to the Class 6-A state football finals.

"I just focused and trusted the guys around me," said Scholtes. "I kick a lot in practice (even though he had tried only two field goals all season). I look forward to the opportunity."

"We're used to being able to punch the ball in," said Penn coach Cory Yeoman. "When you go up against a defense like this, you have to take what you can."

Yeoman, who celebrated his 54th birthday Thursday ("This is the best birthday present anyone could get," he said), will take his team to the state championship game (2003, 2011) for the third time in his 13 seasons at the helm (141-28). He's still looking for his first title.

Despite the success, he wasn't ready to accept any of the credit.

"With our fans and these players, 'The House That Geesman Built' is a really tough place to play," Yeoman said, referring to legendary Penn coach Chris Geesman, who won five state titles.

Though retired, Geesman – who lives just down the street from the school – isn't far away.

"He comes and talks to the team every Thursday," said Yeoman. "This week, his message was: Enjoy the experience and let it rip."

That they did.

As expected, Carmel focused its defense on Bohn, Penn's 6-foot-5, 225-pound senior quarterback. With 1,138 rushing yards to his credit heading into the game, that probably wasn't a bad idea. The rub was, when Bohn was bottled up on the run (10 carries for 36 yards in the first half), he just let it fly.

"You can't stop Bohn," said Carmel coach John Hebert. "You can only limit his big plays."

"Carmel has a great defense," said Bohn. "They fly around and cause trouble. We were prepared for what they did."

The preparation came in opening the passing lanes between Bohn and John Ohlson. The 5-10, 170-pound junior flanker caught seven passes for 108 yards in the first half as the Kingsmen jumped to a 13-3 advantage. Ohlson caught a pass for double-digit yards in each of Penn's three first-half scoring drives.

"Cam always stays very calm," said Ohlson. "He's really good about handling pressure. We've thrown together for three years. We know what each other is thinking. We know where we're going to be."

At one point, Ohlson was surrounded by four Carmel defenders but somehow found a seam and caught a pass for 25 yards.

"I don't even think about it," said Ohlson. "I just try to get open."

One of Penn's key defensive plays happened late in the first quarter. Carmel senior quarterback Michael Viktrup, a mobile, dual-threat quarterback, came up limping after a 10-yard gain. Hebert said Viktrup's ankle was twisted.

Sophomore Jake McDonald stepped in and struggled a bit. After a second quarter interception by Jason Alexander – which set up Penn's only touchdown – Viktrup returned to the game, though clearly hobbling.

Carmel 0 3 0 7 – 10

Penn 3 10 0 3 – 16

P – Sam Scholtes 22 field goal

C – Nick Stacy 39 field goal

P – Cam Bohn 7 run (Scholtes kick)

P – Scholtes 38 field goal

P – Scholtes 40 field goal

C – Ethan Merriweather 28 pass from Jake McDonald (Stacy kick)

OFFICIALS: Thomas Muth (Fort Wayne), Steve Keck (Kendallville), Brett Ratcliffe (Garrett), Tom Kneller (Fort Wayne), Robert Childers (Huntertown).

	Carmel	Penn
First downs	11	17
Rushing yards	97	138
Passing yards	129	157
Passing	10-22-2	13-17-0
Punts-avg.	3-30	3-43
Penalties-yards	1-5	3-25
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0

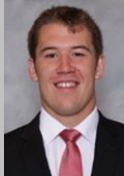
“He couldn't run,” Hebert said of his quarterback. “He's a good passer, so we had to stay with him.”

With Viktrup one dimensional, Penn's defense was able to be more aggressive. The Kingsmen shut down the Greyhounds until the final minutes of the game when McDonald hit Ethan Merriweather for a 28-yard touchdown that threw a scare into the crowd, before the celebration began.

KINGSMEN PLAYING COLLEGE FOOTBALL



THOMAS CUNNINGHAM, DePauw University
Sophomore
6-0, 290
Offensive lineman



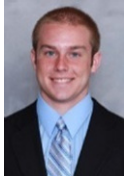
SAM DAGGY, University of Indianapolis
Junior
6-2, 259
Defensive lineman



JACKSON DAY, Western Michigan University
Junior
6-3, 292
Offensive lineman



KHALIL FLEMING, Rensselaer Poly Tech
Freshman
5-10, 185
Running back



ZACH HISS, University of Indianapolis
Red-shirt junior
5-10, 194
Defensive back



BEN MAKOWSKI, Purdue University
Freshman
6-2, 263
Long snapper



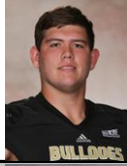
PAYNE McCASKILL, Marian University
Freshman
6-6
Offensive lineman



INOKE MOALA, Indiana State University
Freshman
6-2, 240
Linebacker



ZACH OAKLEY, Central Michigan University
Red-shirt Freshman
6-1, 204
Defensive back



JOEL SCHAEFER, Bryant University
Sophomore
6-4, 270
Offensive tackle

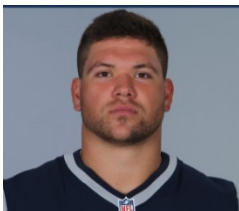


BLAKE SCHNEIDER, University of Indianapolis
Red-shirt sophomore
6-2, 202
Quarterback



MATT WIRICK, Manchester University
Junior
5-11, 164
Wide receiver

KINGSMEN IN THE NFL



BRAXTON CAVE

Detroit Lions practice squad
Center, 6-foot-3, 305 pounds
Pro experience: 1 year
College: Notre Dame

