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Seahawks injury list grows for Week 3

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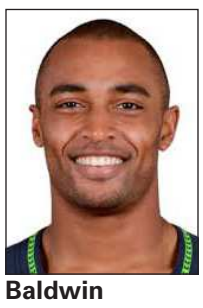
RENTON, Wash. — The Seattle Seahawks are optimistic injured offensive starters Doug Baldwin, Tyler Lockett and Thomas Rawls will be able to play Sunday against San Francisco.

Coach Pete Carroll said Wednesday that all three have a chance of being available after suffering injuries in the Seahawks' Week 2 loss at Los Angeles. Baldwin and Lockett suffered minor knee injuries, while Rawls has a muscle strain in his left leg. Carroll seemed most pessimistic about Rawls, whom he said would be limited in practice early in the week.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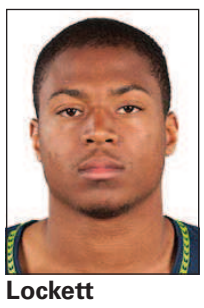
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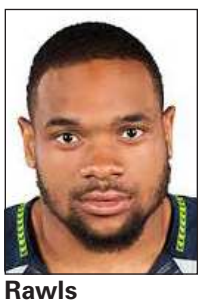
Rawls

"A lot of positive things in that regard, and we're looking forward to putting together a great week," Carroll said.

Baldwin injured his knee when he was rolled up from behind while blocking in the first half of Seattle's 9-3 loss. He remained in the game, but the bigger concern was about Lockett. The second-year wide receiver suffered a sprained knee in the first half and was on the sideline before surprisingly returning in the fourth quarter.

Lockett said Wednesday that he's played with a variety of injuries in the past and had no doubt he'll play against the 49ers.

"As long as I'm not in a coffin, I'm going to be out there playing," Lockett said.

Rawls was injured in the first half and was limited to just seven carries against the Rams in his first start since suffering a broken ankle last December against Baltimore. Carroll said it was a muscle strain on the outside of his left leg.

Carroll said quarterback Russell Wilson was ahead of where he was at this point a week ago in his recovery from a sprained right ankle suffered in the season opener. He said guard Germain Ifedi had a chance of returning this week. Ifedi sprained an ankle days before the opener.

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"In the first game we didn't have as much energy as we should have, and in the next matches we definitely brought that," said Hermiston senior Hayden Meyers, who finished with nine kills and 14 digs. "I think it's a mental thing, because playing your rival you just always want to beat them. I think that's what came out of every girl, it sparked a fire in us. Deep down we all wanted to win."

Senior Kynzee Padilla paced the Bulldogs with 19 kills and 17 digs, and Hermiston's grit was on display at the end of the second and third games, which could have easily fallen the other way with Pendleton matching the Bulldogs statistically. But Hermiston would not fathom defeat, and made the clutch plays needed to pull out the wins.

"I think it was definitely an eye-opener because we saw what we can do in such a situation where, we have to win this or else we lose the whole game," Meyers said. "We had that in our mindset, 'We have to do this.' And I think that helped."

It was a revealing win for the Bulldogs in more ways than one as head coach Elise Fleming experienced her first meeting between the teams.

"This is my first rivalry game in Hermiston so to experience that rivalry in person was awesome and both teams definitely delivered tonight," she said.

With Pendleton ahead 22-21 in the second game, Meyers tipped one over the net to knot the score, then Hermiston seniors Eboney Wilson and Maddy Juul gave Hermiston just its second lead of the night with one of their five combined blocks to make it 23-22. Following a Pendleton timeout, senior Clarissa Nitz brought up game point with an ace, but her next serve went long to give the Bucks a chance to extend the game.

Juul came through for the Bulldogs, though, and ripped a kill off Pendleton's block for the win. She finished the night with six kills.

Pendleton led 24-23 in the third game following a kill up the middle by Rylee Gentner, but Juul tied it with a kill of her own, then combined again with Wilson for a block that put them in the lead. A long hit by the Bucks finished it off.

Pendleton coach Amanda Lapp said it was a series that summed up the night for her team.

"When we needed to execute unfortunately we weren't able to execute the point," she said. "We were playing probably a little timid when the scores got tight, and that's where kind of the momentum shifts."

The Bulldogs' Sophia Streeter (13) and Kalan McGlothan (9), of Pendleton, battle at the net Thursday in Hermiston.

Staff photo by Kathy Aney

The Bucks had things going their way in the fourth game and finished off the Bulldogs with kills by Haley Greb and Maureen Davies, who led them with 15 and 17 respectively, and held an early lead in the tiebreaker before Hermiston caught them at six points with kills by Meyers and Padilla.

The teams traded errors to get to 7-7, and then a net infraction on the Bucks gave Hermiston the lead for good. Sophia Streeter (three kills) threw down a point at the net, and miscues by the Bucks stretched the lead to 11-7 before a Padilla kill capped the Bulldogs' five-point rally.

It was Padilla at the net again to make it 13-9 after a long Hermiston serve and a Davies kill. A block by Kalan McGlothan and a Pendleton hitting error made it 14-10, and a Davies kills was followed by a Hermiston net infraction to make it 14-12.

Wilson the on-court tension was about as high as it could get at that point.

"It's really mixed emotions," she said. "It's so close, it's so anxious that you want to get it through, but you have to focus on what we can do on the court and make it work. I know I had (nerves). I don't know about them but I know I had them, butterflies in the stomach. It was really exciting."

Along with showing it has the mental fortitude to pull out the close matches, Fleming was proud of her team for showing progress in its serve-receive.

"After our Tuesday game we figured out we really needed to focus on serve-receive, did nothing but that at practice yesterday and it definitely paid off for the girls," she said.

Hermiston will look to keep things headed in the right direction when it hosts The Dalles at 6:30 p.m.

Lapp said Pendleton's players, which experienced their third-straight five-set loss, weren't downtrodden and are determined to figure out the winning formula this weekend at the 16-team Oregon City Tournament starting Saturday.

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coach Shawn White said. "I was pleased with how my girls matched (Stanfield's) intensity and I was pleased with how we stepped up tonight.

"Overall we did a better job tonight, containing our errors and being more consistent."

Weston-McEwen (12-8, 1-1 CBC) won the match with scores of 25-11, 25-18, and 25-18. Statistics for the match were not available, but White mentioned Sarah Finifrock was the team's most consistent player on the night.

For Stanfield (2-7, 1-1), head coach Angie Connell was very happy with the way her team performed in the match, even with the loss.

"We played way better tonight than we have for most of the year," she said. "We served better, we kept our attitude up ... it was nice to see them want to compete."

Kenzie Gonzales led Stanfield with five kills while Maya Gadsen had four kills to go with three aces. Shyanne Connell led the team with 21 assists.

The TigerScots next play in a tournament at La Grande on Saturday morning, while Stanfield will host Culver on Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

BAKER 3, MAC-HI 0 — At Baker, the Mac-Hi Pioneers opened Greater Oregon League play by getting swept by the Baker Bulldogs on Thursday night.

Mac-Hi (1-6, 0-1 GOL) fell to Baker (12-3, 2-0) with identical 25-13 scores in each set.

"It was a tough game and they played hard tonight," Mac-Hi coach Amanda Nelson said after the game. "I am proud of them for not giving up and fighting to the end."

Cynthia Flores led the Pioneers with five blocks and four kills, while Brooke Smiley followed up with four kills, one dig, and one ace.

BOYS SOCCER

PENDLETON 4, REDMOND 1 — At Redmond, the Pendleton Buckaroos earned their first victory of the season with a non-league win over Redmond on Thursday afternoon.

Pendleton (1-3-1) found the net first when senior Jonathan Wolotira ripped a goal, and then added on in the second half when junior Sawyer Powell, senior Josh Mendoza, and freshman Jonathan Lopez each scored a goal. Elsewhere, Pendleton had a tremendous effort from freshman goalkeeper Andrew Wolotira, registering 10 saves in 11 total shots against him.

Pendleton starts league play next Tuesday when it travels to Hood River.

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Athlete of the Week

Twenty questions with Thyler Monkus

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EO: What's your favorite movie?
TM: When the Game Stands Tall
What's your favorite TV show?
That 70s Show
What's the last TV show you binge watched on Netflix?
Friday Night Lights
What's your favorite sport to play?
Football
How old were you when you started playing football?
Seven
What were the first positions you played?
Running back and linebacker
What's your favorite thing about playing football?
The brotherhood.
What's your pre-game music playlist?
'Regulate' by Warren G
What's your favorite pre-game meal?
A sandwich with ripsticks
Who is your favorite athlete to watch?
It was Kobe Bryant, but now Cam Newton
What's your favorite college football team?
Oregon Ducks
What's your favorite NFL team?
New England Patriots
Favorite junk food?
Grandmas cookies
What is your favorite restaurant?
Ixtapa Mexican Restaurant in Hermiston.
Favorite family recipe?
My grandma's pasta salad
Do you have any hobbies?
Hanging out with my family and friends and shed hunting with my brothers in the mountains.
What's your favorite hunting season?
Deer season
What's your favorite subject in school?
Math
What would you like to do for a career?
Become a chiropractor
What have you liked most about growing up in Stanfield?
The support of the community and how everyone knows each other.

PHILOMATH: Hazing a problem in most schools

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local students, parents and school district personnel," said Jim Hall, senior pastor of Living Faith Community Church. They've had conversations with a broad spectrum of townspeople, Hall said.

Benton County District Attorney John Haroldson said 11 freshman players had intimate parts of their bodies targeted during an initiation.

In court Thursday, one of six upperclassmen charged with misdemeanors pleaded guilty to harassment. As part of his sentence, he will speak out against hazing and stand up for the victims.

Haroldson, who advocated for the term, said victims are being blamed for the football season's cancellation and some students' expulsions, and instead should be recognized for their courage.

The hazing existed for years, "instilled as part of the institution," and had gotten worse, Haroldson said.

"The coaches didn't stop it," he told Circuit Court Judge Locke A. Williams. "They chose not to stop it or couldn't stop it."

The decision was made to cancel the varsity season after other athletes and coaches evaluated the readiness of eligible players. The junior varsity season remains on track.

AP Photo/Andrew Selsky

Philomath High School athletic stadium is shown in Philomath, Ore., Sept. 12, 2016.

Brittany Dryden, manager of Wilson's NAPA Auto Parts store, feels the cancellation is "a little harsh."

"I understand people make mistakes ... but I don't see why we have to punish the whole football team, and punish other people that weren't involved, had nothing to do with it," Dryden said. "It's just not fair to those kids."

Goff has a rebuttal: "High school football in Philomath is important, but it is not as important as our kids."

Hazing might be part of human nature, and "it definitely goes back to ancient Greece and Rome," said Susan Lipkins, a psychologist and an expert on hazing.

Philomath seems to be handling its case right so far, Lipkins said. To prevent hazing, schools must encourage victims to come forward, using clearly established methods like the internet and even reporting abuse anonymously so they aren't labeled wimps.

But few high schools and colleges follow through on promises to eliminate hazing, Lipkins noted.

"They react," she said. "They don't prepare for it and don't have a system in place in any meaningful way."

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ATHLETE
OF THE WEEK
THYLER MONKUS
Senior
Stanfield
Football
Running Back
Monkus ran for 223 yards and four touchdowns in Stanfield's 41-20 victory over Grant Union to help his Stanfield Tigers team to a 3-0 start on the 2016 season. It was the third straight game Monkus ran for more than 200 yards this season.

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