

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, NOV. 17
Volleyball: Western Oregon at Central Washington, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOV. 18
Men's basketball: San Francisco State at Western Oregon, 7 p.m.
Women's basketball: Western Oregon at Chico State, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOV. 19
Football: OSAA Class 5A state playoffs, semifinals (at Hillsboro Stadium): No. 11 Central vs. No. 2 Wilsonville, 11 a.m. No. 8 Dallas vs. No. 4 Lebanon, 2:15 p.m.
Men's basketball: University of California, San Diego at Western Oregon, 7 p.m.
Volleyball: Western Oregon at Northwest Nazarene, 1 p.m.
Women's basketball: Western Oregon vs. Sonoma State (at Chico State), 5:30 p.m.

Schedules Subject to Change

QUICK HITS

Blue Dolphins swim at Albany

ALBANY — The Blue Dolphins Swim Team competed at the Turkey Dive Nov. 5 and 6 at the Albany Community Pool.

Sydney Alamein won the girls 100-yard butterfly (11-12) with a time of 1 minute, 24.07 seconds.

Jolie-Rae Ford won the 500 freestyle (senior) in 5:41.13 and the 100 butterfly (15 and over) in 1:09.06.

Ford placed second in the girls senior 200-yard freestyle finishing in 2:03.89. Ford also finished second in the 100 freestyle (15 and over) finishing in 59.45 seconds, the 50 freestyle (15 and over) in 26.08 and the 100 backstroke (15 and over) with a time of 1:07.94.

Other highlights for the girls included a third-place finish in the girls 100 breaststroke (11-12) by Alamein in 40.88 seconds, while Taylor Hagedorn took ninth in 42.92.

Alamein also finished sixth in the 100 freestyle (11-12) with a time of 1:08.83.

Gentry Hagedorn took sixth in the girls breaststroke (9-10) finishing in 46.15 seconds and sixth in the backstroke (9-10) in 1:30.68.

Lonny Stork finished third in the 100 butterfly (11-12) in 1:30.39.

Cash Hagedorn finished second in the boys 100 backstroke in 2:02.04. Hagedorn also took third in the boys 50 breaststroke (9-10) with a time of 1:01.85.

David Beasley placed second in the boys 50 backstroke (11-12) with a time of 41.13.

Isaiah Dressell finished third in the boys 200 butterfly (13-14) in 3:20.61 and fourth in the 100 breaststroke (13-14) in 1:23.83.

Full results are available online at www.bluedolphinsswimteam.org.

The Blue Dolphins Swim Team is a nonprofit competitive swim program and is a member of Oregon Swimming and USA Swimming.

The team practices at Dallas Aquatic Center.

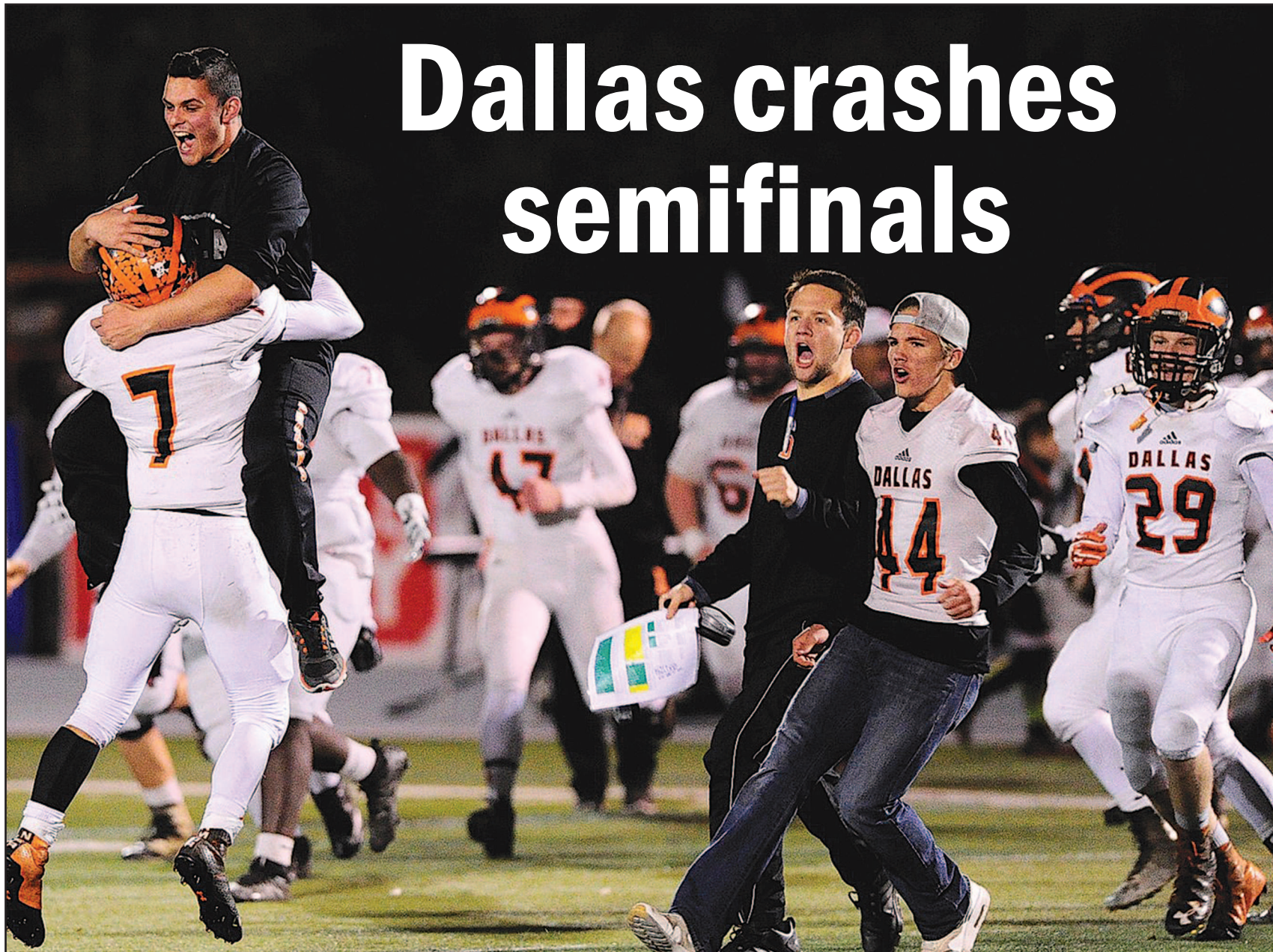
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STAT SHEET

3 The number of football teams from the Mid-Willamette Conference that advanced to the state semifinals. No. 4 Lebanon, No. 8 Dallas and No. 11 Central qualified for the semifinals

12 The number of years its been since Western Oregon's women's basketball team opened a season with two-straight victories.

Dallas crashes semifinals



RYAN BRENNECKE/for the Itemizer-Observer

Dallas players and coaches celebrate after the Dragons' 29-28 victory over top-ranked Summit on Friday night in the state quarterfinals.

Dallas upsets Summit, faces rematch with Lebanon



RYAN BRENNECKE/Itemizer-Observer

Dallas running back Tanner Earhart (24) rushed for 239 yards and two touchdowns against Summit on Friday night. The Dragons defeated the Storm 29-28.

By Lukas Eggen

The Itemizer-Observer

BEND — It was an ending few saw coming outside of Dallas' locker room.

By the time the final second ticked off, words escaped even those who just witnessed what had happened.

"It was crazy," senior Aaron White said. "Everything that happened — after the game I just stood there for a second letting it all sink in."

Dallas defeated No. 1

Summit 29-28 on Friday, earning a spot in the state semifinals against Lebanon on Saturday.

Running back Tanner Earhart rushed for 239 yards and two touchdowns.

Early on, it appeared as though the Dragons had Summit in a bad spot, building a 14-0 lead in the first quarter.

Summit hit back in a big way, scoring 28 unanswered points to take a 28-14 lead in the fourth quarter.

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Class 5A State Football

Who: No. 8 Dallas (9-2 overall, 4-2 Mid-Willamette Conference) vs. No. 4 Lebanon (10-1 overall, 5-1 MWC).

What: Class 5A football, semifinals.

When: Saturday, 2:15 p.m.

Where: Hillsboro Stadium.

Admission: Adults, \$8; students, \$5.

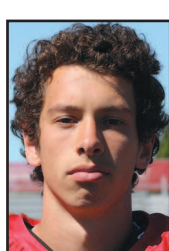
What's at stake: The winner advances to the state championship game on Nov. 26 against the winner of No. 11 Central vs. No. 2 Wilsonville.

Panthers hold off Redmond

By Lukas Eggen

The Itemizer-Observer

INDEPENDENCE — Leading by six with two minutes left, Central's football team faced a fourth-and-one on Friday night. Convert, and the Panthers would advance to the OSAA Class 5A state semifinals.



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F a l l short and Redmond would get one last chance to tie or win the game.

"We knew that if we get this, the game is over," quarterback Peter Mendazona said.

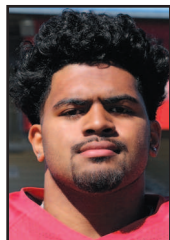
Central planned a power running play, but players signaled for a change.

"The signal from the kids to me was that the sneak would work," coach Shane Hedrick said. "Sometimes you get to this time of the year, and you trust your players and they said, 'coach, follow me.'"

Mendazona gained two yards on the rush — clinching Central's 42-36 win over No. 14 Redmond and earning a spot in the semifinals



Mendazona



Tuipulotu

against No. 2 Wilsonville Saturday at 11 a.m. at Hillsboro Stadium.

"I don't even know how to explain this feeling," receiver Andrew Barry said. "I've never been in this kind of situation where we've made it this far in the playoffs in any sport that I've played. I'm pumped and ready to go and get after it."

This is Central's first trip to the semifinals since moving to Class 5A — and it didn't come easy.

The Panthers' victory Friday was a back-and-forth battle featuring four ties.

Mendazona threw for 396 yards and five touchdowns and had one rushing touchdown.

Peter Mason hauled in six catches for 165 yards and two touchdowns, while Barry had four catches for 116 yards and two touchdowns. Running back AJ



LUKAS EGGEN/Itemizer-Observer

Central receiver Andrew Barry attempts to break out of a tackle on Friday night. Barry had four catches for 116 yards and two touchdowns during the Panthers' victory.

Morales rushed for 134 yards.

"I just tried to do what I could to put this team into a position to be successful," Barry said. "Being able to help the team in any way is pretty huge."

On defense, senior Sam Crow recorded eight tackles, and Marlon Tuipulotu had seven tackles and one sack.

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Class 5A State Football

Who: No. 11 Central (7-4 overall, 4-2 Mid-Willamette Conference) vs. No. 2 Wilsonville (10-1 overall, 6-1 Northwest Oregon Conference).

What: Class 5A football, semifinals.

When: Saturday, 11 a.m.

Where: Hillsboro Stadium.

Admission: Adults, \$8; students, \$5.

What's at stake: The winner advances to the state championship game on Nov. 26 against the winner of No. 8 Dallas vs. No. 4 Lebanon.