Badgers rout Cove, advance to semifinals

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Powder Valley needed only one play to take the lead, and that led to a barrage of touchdowns as the Badgers dominated Cove 46-8 in a Class 1A quarterfinal football game Friday night, Nov. 11 at North

The Badgers will play Lost River in a semifinal Saturday, Nov. 19 at 4:30 p.m. at Caldera High School in Bend. Lost River, which is in Merrill near Klamath Falls, beat Adrian 44-8 in a quarterfinal game Saturday, Nov. 12. Powder Valley beat Adrian 46-14 in October.

After forcing the Leopards to punt on the opening possession on a chilly night that brought snow flurries late in the game, Powder Valley took over on the Cove 35.

After a 5-yard penalty on Powder, Tucker Martin took a handoff and raced 40 yards for a touchdown. Cole Martin added the 2-point conversion to give Powder Valley a quick 8-0 lead.

"That's pretty much typical Powder football this season, we have pretty much come out of the game at full speed," Badger head coach Josh Cobb said.

"I was really proud of our

Cove gained a first down on its next possession and advanced to the Badgers 38, but Powder got a quarterback sack on 4th and 7 to regain possession.

The Badgers appeared to have scored touchdowns on each of its first two plays, when Jackson Chandler caught a long pass from Cole Martin, but the first of a flurry of penalties negated the touchdown.

Powder Valley ended up punting, but on Cove's next possession Colt Cobb recovered a fumble at the Cove 39. Cole Martin capped the drive with a 2-yard touchdown run.

The 2-point conversion failed, and Powder Valley led 14-0, still in the first quarter.

After the Badgers forced another Cove punt early in the



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Powder Valley's Jackson Chandler looks for running room during the Badgers' 46-8 rout of Cove in the OSAA Class 1A quarterfinal on Friday, Nov. 11, 2022.



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Powder Valley's Jackson Chandler slips past Cove defender Micah Jayne during a OSAA Class 1A quarterfinal playoff game on Friday, Nov. 11, 2022. Powder Valley took the victory 46-8.

second quarter, Cole Martin ran for a first down on a fourth down and short, then he broke loose, tiptoed down the left sideline and went 65 yards for his second touchdown.

The 2-point conversion upped the Badgers' lead to 22-0 with 8:49 left in the first half.

Powder scored two more touchdowns in the final 1:45 of the first half to lead 38-0 at halftime.

The second half was anticlimactic, with a running clock due to Powder having a 35-point lead.

Cole Martin led the Badgers

with 253 yards rushing and three touchdowns as Powder Valley amassed more than 300 yards on the ground.

"Our offensive line was fairly dominant," Cobb said.

Tucker Martin had 48 rushing yards and the one touchdown, and Chandler had 70 receiving yards on two catches, including a touchdown.

Defensively, Tucker Martin forced a fumble that Chandler recovered. Cole Martin had an interception as the Badgers stifled the Leopards for most of the game.

'Riley Martin's defense was per usual, he had them well scouted and the guys did their job," Josh Cobb said, referring to Powder's defensive coordinator.

Cobb said it's gratifying to have the Badgers back in contention for a state championship after graduating several seniors from the 2021 squad, which lost a heartbreaker to Adrian in the state championship game.

Not a lot of people thought we would be back in the hunt," he said.

OLD OREGON LEAGUE VOLLEYBALL

Badgers have four on allleague team

BY JOHN BRAESE

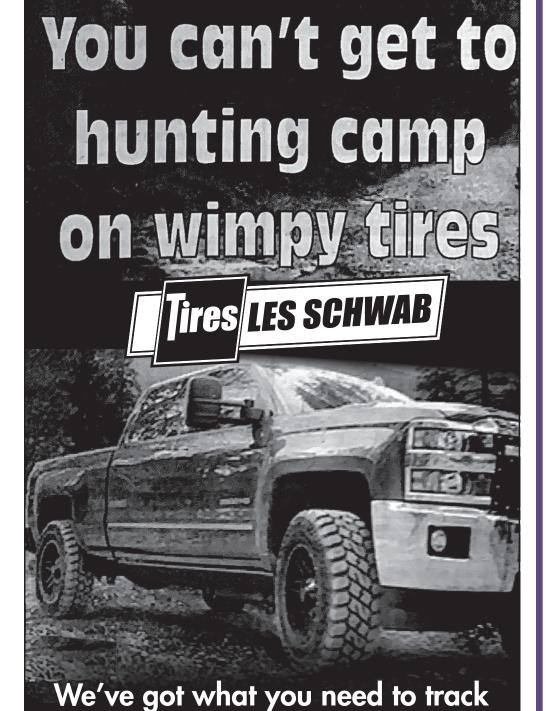
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NORTH POWDER — After wrapping up the volleyball season as the 1A Old Oregon League champions, four Powder Valley players were named to the all-league team.

After a meeting and voting of league coaches, junior Lacy Anderson, senior Dallee Jo Bingham, sophomore Marli Lind and junior Jodi Bingham were named to the listing. Lind was one of only two sophomores making the league listing that included three seniors and six juniors.

The Badgers led the honorees with four players, while Imbler named three players (Rachel Stirewalt, Harvest Coston, Alyssa Jennings). Coaches voted two Joseph players (Aimee Myers, Cooper Nave) to all-league and a single Wallowa (Sophie Moeller) player and a single Cove (Lucy Mathews) joined a single Pine Eagle player (Maggie Stanbro) on the list.





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