PHS volleyball team falls to Berean Christian

By Jonathan Comeaux

Piedmont's girls' volleyball team extended its winless streak to seven matches after falling 3-0 to Berean Christian on Thursday, September 12 at Binks Rawlings Gym. The Eagles entered Piedmont as defending North Coast Section champion, and with a current record of 12-3 are well on their way to repeat.

Piedmont, meanwhile, is a young team looking for its first

PHS had a close second set against Berean, but ended up losing the match in three sets,: 25-16, 25-21, 25-14.

"We're a young team; I'm going to say that a lot this season. We're going to have some tough matches, but we have glimpses of our potential," coach Mariah Cardenas said.

Piedmont looks ahead to its first match in the Western Alameda County Conference Foothill Division next week on September 25 against Alameda.

Match Recap

After falling 25-16 in the first set, Piedmont got out to an early 4-1 lead in the second. However, BC scored six straight points to jump ahead 7-4. From there, PHS crept back to ties at 8-8 and 10-10, including two aces by Fiona Olsen and kills by Hanley Carling and Stella Wilk. However, the Eagles went up 13-11

and never relinquished their advantage from then on.

PHS traded shots with Berean Christian, getting within two points of tying multiple times until the end of the second set. PHS made it 16-14 with a kill by Carling, but BCHS scored three straight after that. Piedmont then scored three consecutive to make it 19-17 with kills by Carling and Olsen, but the Eagles scored three out of the next four. After a kill by Mira Sachs and an ace by Jules DeYoung cut the deficit to 22-20, Berean Christian scored another two, gaining set-point at 24-20. An Eagles service error made it 24-21, but the visitors ended it with a spike.

In the third set, the Eagles came out firing with six straight points to build a comfortable 6-0 lead. PHS battled to an 8-4 deficit with an ace by Skye Prata and a kill by Carling, but BCHS scored eight of the next 11 points to build a 16-6 advantage. The two sides traded points until the 25-14 end.

Official statistics were not pro-

Tuesday vs. Oakland High

Piedmont played a match with non-conference Oakland High on Tuesday, September 17. See next week's Post for match details.

NEXT UP

Piedmont (0-7) travels to Alameda on Wednesday, September 25 for a 6:30 p.m. match.



Stella Wilk sends in a spike against Berean Christian.

Staff Photos



Hanley Carling scores one of her kills.



Jules DeYoung powers the ball against Berean Christian.

JV Scots dominate Mt. Eden 49-12



Photos by J.C. Curran

Piedmont's JV football team claimed its first win of the season with a 49-12 victory over Mt. Eden.

By George Saunders, Colby Hong and Jonah Cha-Foster

Piedmont High's JV football team bounced back with a dominant 49-12 win over the Mt. Eden Monarchs at Witter Field on Friday, September 13. Piedmont opened its season with a tie with Salesian and a loss to Middletown in Week 2.

Named captains for Week 3 were freshmen Jonah Cha-Foster, Cassidy Carter, Jax Thayey, and junior Will Richardson. Cha-Foster filled in at quarterback with usual starter Jimmy Lagios out with a hand injury.

The Scots came out strong in the first quarter and controlled the entire game on the way to the one-sided victory. Piedmont ended the Monarchs' first two offensive drives by way of 3-andouts, leading to a blocked punt by George Saunders in Mt. Eden's red zone. Piedmont capitalized on the opportunity and scored a touchdown on the first play.

Piedmont's defense played lights-out in the first half with three interceptions, including two from inside linebacker Colby Hong, and one from defensive back Owen Curran. On offense, Cha-Foster helped lead the Highlanders to a 28-0 lead at halftime.

PHS added three more scores in the second half on their way to the 49-12 win.

Wide receiver Diego Hurwitz scored two touchdowns, giving him five on the season. Running back Eric Venner also made his season debut after recovering from an injury, scored two touchdowns. Lagios, in at place kicker, converted all seven extra point attempts.

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NEXT UP

Piedmont (1-1-1) hosts Encinal at Witter Field this Friday, September 20 at 4:00 p.m.

George Saunders, Colby Hong and Jonah Cha-Foster are members of the Piedmont JV football team.



Diego Hurwitz had two touchdowns against Mt. Eden, giving him five



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