Piedmont tames Arroyo Dons 36-8

By Jonathan Comeaux

The Highlanders made clean work of its league opener for the Western Alameda County Conference Shoreline Division against Arroyo in San Lorenzo, dominating the Dons 36-8 on its home field on Saturday, September 23. After conceding the game's opening touchdown, Piedmont went on to score 36 unanswered points with commanding football on all facets.

'It was a tough week of practice [with the smoke], we only had one day on the field and the rest was just walk-throughs. It showed up early in the first half, but it was great to see the kids bounce back, work tough, and fight through it. To run off 36 straight points was great," said coach Jordan Seiden.

PHS' win improves their record to 3-2 with three straight wins, holding their opponents to just one score in each of the victories over Arroyo, Encinal, and Mt. Eden—accumulating a point differential of 123-18 during the

Piedmont's defense, once again, was instrumental on Saturday afternoon, shutting down Arroyo's heavy run set to force the Dons into uncomfortable

passing situations.

"We were going against some tough offensive linemen, but we were able to go in and make pressure. Our coach [Pouhila Tauaho], he helped us create slants and d-line stunts. We were able to get in the backfield and make the quarterback scared in the second half. We saw their size, so we just wanted to match up the gaps for gaps. Once we stopped the run, then we stunted their offense," said defensive end Jordan Alemania.

Linebacker Brandon Dicke had a huge day, recording a critical tackle for a loss on 4th-and-1 at the Dons' own 30-yard line while the Highlanders held a onescore 16-8 lead. He also nabbed an interception on Arroyo's last series. Dicke recalled the critical fourth-down stop.

"Our play was called 'lightning,' which is where I blitz from the outside. It was a dive towards the middle A-gap. The defensive end on my side, Albert Bellingrath, rushed inside which freed up the outside for me. I got in there and made the tackle," said Dicke.

The game also featured a long 82-yard touchdown carry by quarterback Markos Lagios, outrunning the defense on a run straight down the middle of the field.

"The o-line made that one. The offensive line made all their blocks, it was perfect. That's what happens when we execute. I thought they'd catch me. They obviously had us in size on the line, but it showed our line can battle adversity," said Lagios.

Piedmont now enters its bye week and looks ahead to a critical league match at Alameda on Saturday, October 7. The Hornets are currently 4-0 after defeating Encinal 34-0.



Markos Lagios ran for two touchdowns and passed for one.

Linebacker Brandon Dicke (#6) wraps up Arroyo's quarterback for a sack. He had a big day on defense.

Game Recap

Staff Photos

Piedmont came up inches short on a 4th-and-5 attempt in its opening possession, giving Arroyo the ball at its own 46-yard-line, eventually scoring after eight plays—converting the two-point conversion to make it 8-0 with 5:37 left in the first.

After back-and-forth possessions, PHS retained at their own 36 with a minute left in the first. Lagios converted a 3rd-and-10 situation with a 15 yard carry. At Arroyo's 43-yard-line, Piedmont scored on an end-around running play to receiver Sam Shelby, juking a defender while sprinting down the sideline for the long score. PHS scored its two-point conversion on a pass from Lagios to Cash Elmquist, tying 8-8 at

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Running back Tommy Ashton runs over an Arroyo linebacker for a big

Piedmont blasts Pirates 21-8



Piedmont claimed its first league win in a dominant 21-8 victory over San Leandro.

By Jonathan Comeaux

Piedmont's girls' water polo team claimed a one-sided 21-8 win over San Leandro at the Pirates' home pool on Tuesday, September 19. It was their first win against Western Alameda County Conference competition.

It was an impressive performance Piedmont's offense with a season-high 21 goals. Scored by 10 different players. Abigail Jacoby led with four goals, and Kat Melian and freshman Esme Krumins had 3-goal hat tricks...

"Kat is a really powerful shooter. We can have her score from different angles and long shots. Esme has been impressive, she has a lot of experience in the pool and it shows," said first-year head coach Georgia Lewis.

The Highlanders ended the first quarter with a 6-4 advantage and pushed the lead to 11-5 by halftime. PHS never let off of the gas pedal, putting in six goals and conceding twice in the third period to lead 17-7 entering the fourth. They added four more goals and allowing one in the final quarter.

In the first period PHS opened quickly with three unanswered goals by Abigail Jacoby and two by leading scorer Melian within the first two minutes of the game. After a San Leandro goal, Melian got her hat trick with 3:03 left in the first. After a second SLHS goal, Olivia Kaltner made it 5-2 with 2:35 to go. Esme Krumins made it 6-3 with 1:41 left.

Sage Gilbert made it 7-4 to

start the second quarter with a goal near two minutes in, while successive goals by Melian, Anne Reardon, and Alicia Bernales made it 10-4 with 2:37 left in the first half. Jacoby scored her second goal with 20 seconds left in the half, making it 11-5.

In the third, San Leandro made it 11-6 but Piedmont quickly responded with a goal from Gilbert at 5:34. The Pirates converted a 5-meter penalty, 12-7, but Piedmont then added four straight goals to end the quarter by Krumins, Kaltner, Jacoby, Vivian Burke—16-7.

Sydney Olson scored the opening goal in the fourth, 17-7 after 40 seconds. Krumins got her hat trick with 4:32 left, making it 18-8, followed by the Highlanders scoring the game's final three goals by Jacoby, Julia Montes, and Reardon.

Final stats: Jacoby led the way with four goals. Melian and Krumins each had three goals. Reardon, Gilbert, and Kaltner finished with two goals apiece. Scoring individual goals included Burke, Olson, and Bernales.

Tuesday vs. Berkelev

Piedmont traveled to Berkeley on Tuesday, September 26 for another league match. See next week's Post for game details.

NEXT UP

Piedmont (2-4 overall, 1-1 league) travel to Newark Memorial today, September 27, for a 5:30 p.m. match.



Kat Melian scored three goals against San Leandro.



Vivian Burke scored once in Piedmont's big win..

PIEDMONT SPORTS SCHEDULE

Some events subject to change. (Revised - 9/27/23)

Date	Day	Sport	Opponent	Loc.	Var.	JV.
Sep. 27	Wed.	TEN	University (San Francisco)	A/H	3:30	3:30
		WP-G	Newark Memorial	A	5:30	4:30
Sep. 28	Thur.	FF	Encinal (Alameda)	A	4:30	
Sep. 29	Fri.	TEN	Alameda	A/H	3:30	3:30
		VB	Berkeley	A	6:30	5:30
Oct. 2	Mon.	WP-B	Novato	A	6:00	5:00
Oct. 3	Tues.	WP-B	Castro Valley			
			at Chabot College, Hayward	A	7:30	5:30
		WP-G	Encinal (Alameda)	A	5:30	4:30
Oct. 4	Wed.	GOLF	Alameda (Chuck Corica Golf Cource)	A	3:30	

KEY: H = HomeA = Away

FB = FootballFF = Flag FootballVB = Girls' Volleyball TEN = Girls' Tennis

WP-B = Boys' Water Polo WP-G = Girls' Water Polo GOLF = Girls' Golf

XC = Cross Country

AP Classes

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explained Savage.

Savage took it upon himself to help his science students by offering study sessions during lunchtime to help them be better prepared for the AP test.

After hearing that Chamber-

lain said she would not necessarily be teaching the course, because she is already full-time, school board member Cory Smegal asked a crucial question.

"How are we going to find a teacher? Every year I have been on the board there has been a struggle with Physics or Chemistry," she said.

More discussion and a final consideration will be included in tonight's board meeting. To watch or participate remotely in the board meeting, Wednesday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m., click on Zoom.us/j/83251827513.

PPD Blue

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Wednesday, September 20

4:03 a.m. Park Blvd. ALPR triggered by unidentified vehicle.

10:36 a.m. Ricardo Ave. Report of bike chained to fence on pathway to York Ave. Has been there 2 months: wants police to put it in storage.

7:22 p.m. Wildwood Ave. ALPR triggered by 2016 Kia Rio. Officer pulls car over; driver identified as owner of recently recovered SUV, and is released.

Thursday, September 21

1:25 a.m. Crocker Ave. ALPR triggered by black 2014 BMW X5.

6:28 a.m. Blair Ave. ALPR triggered by gray 2021 Kia Forte with driver wearing mask.

11:32 a.m. Grand Ave. ALPR triggered by black 2014 Lexus 350 and 2015 brown Hyundai Sonata.

12:59 p.m. Scenic Ave. Vandalism. Report of passenger window smashed overnight.

3:15 p.m. Linda Ave. Catalytic Converter Theft. Report of catalytic converter stolen in June.

5:59 p.m. Sandringham Way. Auto Burglary. Report of vehicle rifled; loss of registration and misc.

Friday, September 22

1:34 a.m. Kingston Ave. ALPR triggered by silver 2016 Lexus IS. Vehicle seen speeding away.

7:07 a.m. Sunnyslope Ave., Oakland. Vandalism. Report of car door lock tampered with.

Football

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10:18 left in the first half.

PHS forced a pair of punts and started at its own 40 with 2:44 left in the half, which started with a 20-yard reception by Elmquist. Piedmont scored on an eight-yard run by Lagios, then the quarterback converted their two-point conversion on another carry off tackle, 16-8.

Piedmont opened the third quarter in a big way, recovering a perfectly placed kickoff that bounced and laid perfectly for #21 at the Dons' 29, but fumbled at Arroyo's five-yard line. Arroyo then tried to convert a 4th-and-1 on an off-tackle run, but Dicke was there to shut it down behind the line of scrimmage. Piedmont scored three-plays later, including

a 27-yard run by Tommy Ashton to the 3-yard line, followed by a one-yard punch by Ashton for the score. Lagios converted the twopoint conversion on an eight-yard carry after their initial attempt drew a five-yard penalty-24-8 with 5:09 left in the third.

The Highlanders shut down another fourth down attempt by Arroyo, this time a 4th-and-9 situation inside PHS' red zone when cornerback Miles Silver batted away a pass. Purple retained at their own 18-yard line, scoring on its first play on Lagios' 82-yard quarterback run—30-8 after a failed conversion with 1:02 in the

PHS then recovered a fumble at its own 46, eventually scoring after seven plays when Lagios found Elmquist on a 17-yard catch and run to the pylon—36-8 with 8:56 left in the fourth quarter.

Final stats: Lagios finished with 113 rushing yards, 69 passing yards, two rushing touchdowns, and a passing touchdown. Ashton had 83 rushing yards and one touchdown, to go along with two tackles for loss on defense. Shelby had 57 rushing yards and one touchdown. Dicke had an interception, one sack, and one tackle for loss. Defensive back Brayden Hong had two pass defenses. Alemania had one tackle for loss.

Piedmont (3-2 overall, 1-0 league) heads to Alameda on Saturday, October 7 for a 7:00 p.m. game.

Dolittle

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under a table. They try to make him understand why they need his help. Eventually, the wounded squirrel is operated on,

Lady Rose explains that the Queen is in desperate need. A visit to the royal palace is in order, followed by a quick diagnosis by the Dr. D. – her majesty, it seems, has ingested a poison. The antidote, however, is a derivative of a magical fruit from the Eden Tree, found only on an island somewhere in warm climes. The solution: Dr. D., with his crew of animals, and Tommy, head south on a mission to find the fruit. Time is not of the essence.

Thus begins the adventure. It's

time for the doc to triage his heart and rebuild his confidence. Naturally, stuff happens. They find an island, ruled by a sort of ruthless pirate, Rassoulini (Antonio Banderas), possibly the father of Dr. D's deceased wife. The animals talk... a lot. The dialogue is 90s street corner ("That's gotta hurt") and definitely not noun-verb Vic-

And there is a villain, a Dr. Blair Mudfly (Michael Sheen), aide-de-camp to the queen, who is stalking the Dolittle cohort in his own ship, intent on preventing the doc from returning to her majesty with the life saving fruit (nefarious reasons not clearly given).

right up to the moment when Dr. D. cures a dragon's blocked bowel by removing a large bagpipe. Really. That moment pretty much sums up how kid-silly Doo-

But wait. One other point: If you have any 8-year-olds hanging out, well they she just might be captivated by the no-cost-spared visuals and the mountain of CGI scenes. This is an adventure, and strictly for kids.

phen Gaghan. Starring Robert Downey Jr., Emma Thompson and Antonio Banderas. 1 hr, 46 min. Rated PG. Released in 2020. Now streaming on VUDU/peacock/Prime/Apple tv.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids shall be uploaded to the BPXpress City of Piedmont Planroom via the "Submit Bid Docs" tab on the Project page until 2:00 p.m., on the 19th day of October 2023 (no bids will be accepted after 2:00 p.m.) for construction of the following project:

Oakland Avenue Bulb-Outs and Nova/Magnolia Island Project

Complete bid packages, including project plans, technical specifications, bid forms and contract documents may be secured from BPXpress Reprographics by logging on to: www. piedmontplanroom.com or by calling 510-559-8299 or by email: Richmond@blueprintexpress.com There is a non-refundable fee of \$100 per set for a printed or electronic package, plus shipping and handling. As the project is being bid through BPXpress Reprographics, any changes via addenda will be available on the BPXpress' website.

Bids shall be uploaded electronically to the BPXpress City of Piedmont planroom via the "Submit Bid Docs" tab on the Project page before 2:00 p.m., October 19, 2023. Guidelines for BPXpress Online Bidding Instructions are provided in Appendix A. Proposals will be timestamped by the website upon receipt and placed in a secure location by BPXpress to be accessed only by a representative from the City of Piedmont. Bids will be publicly opened via an online Zoom meeting at 2:30 p.m. on October 19, 2023. The Zoom meeting information can be found in the bid

Please note that bidders must be logged-in as a registered user in order to see the "Submit Bid Docs" tab. The "Submit Bid Docs" tab will only be available until the bid deadline, and all submitted bids are "sealed" and inaccessible until that time. After the bid deadline, the "Submit Bid Docs" tab will be unavailable on the Planroom platform to prospective bidders.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1770 et seq. of the California Labor Code, the Director of Industrial Relations for the State of California has ascertained the current general prevailing rate of wages for employer purposes, in Alameda County, State of California. Not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for work of a similar character in Alameda County and not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for holiday work fixed as provided in the California Labor Code shall be paid to all workers engaged in performing the project.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1771.1 of the California Labor Code, A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in Chapter 1 of Part 7 of Division 2 of the California Labor Code, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Civil Code Section 1725.5.

Please note: It is not a violation of Section 1771.1 for an unregistered contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided the contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded. Any bids submitted without proof that Bidder and any listed subcontractor(s) are currently registered and qualified to perform public work, pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5, shall not be accepted by the City.

In accordance with California Civil Code Section 1771.4, the project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

In accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 3300, a valid class A California contractor's license is required to bid on the project.

The City of Piedmont reserves the right to postpone the date and time for the opening of proposals at any time prior to the date and time announced in the advertisement in accordance with applicable law.

The City of Piedmont reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any defects or irregularity in bidding in accordance with applicable law. In accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 20103.8, if the City elects to award a contract for performance of the project, the contract will be awarded in accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 20162 and other applicable law to the responsible bidder submitting a responsive bid with the lowest total bid price for the base bid without consideration of the bid price for any additive or deductive items. All bids will remain valid for 90 days after the bid opening. Except as permitted by law and subject to all applicable remedies, including forfeiture of bidder's security, bidders may not withdraw their bid during the 90-day period after the bid opening.

By order of the City Council of the City of Piedmont, Alameda County, California.

Daniel Gonzales Public Works Director

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