

Northern Valley beats Triplains in opener

The Northern Valley Huskies nearly tripled the score on the Triplains Vikings Friday night in the football season opener in Alma, winning 74-28.

The Huskies owned the field, making five touchdowns in the first quarter, four in the second and then a final one in the third before the game was called.

Joey Copper made a 25-yard run at 9:48 in the first to put Northern Valley on the board. Avery Thalheim ran in the extra points.

Triplains made its only touchdown of the first quarter with 6:08 showing on a 67-yard pass from Aric Grob to Clint Rogge. Grob passed to Taylor Barrett for the points after.

The Huskies broke the tie 14 seconds later when Richie Kersch made a 70-yard kick return to score. Thalheim ran in the extra points.

With 3:31 showing, Copper ran 33 yards and then ran for the extra points. Just over a minute later, he capped Northern Valley's tally to a 30-8 lead with a 20-yard dash. The pass attempt for extra points fell short.

Clarke Nelson finished the quarter on a 24-yard run with no time remaining on the clock. Cody Lowry ran in the points after, giving the Huskies a 38-8 lead.

Nelson ran the ball 60 yards at 8:38 in the second quarter for another Northern Valley score. Frans Laubscher ran in the extra points.

With 6:24 showing, Blake Johnson dashed 3-yards into the end zone, followed by a run for extra points from Bryce Marble.

Twelve seconds later, Triplains made its second touchdown on a 68-yard kick return from Bryant Plummer. The pass for extra points failed, leaving the score 54-14 in Northern Valley's favor.

Two minutes later, Northern Valley's Drew Britt made a nine-yard run, adding 6 points to the green team's tally as the extra points run failed.

With 1:24 on the clock, the Vikings scored again on a 14-yard run from Barrett, who then ran in the points after.

With 45 seconds left in the half, Britt made it to the end zone again on an eight-yard dash. The pass for extra points fell short.

Triplains managed to score once more before the half. With no time left, Grob passed the ball 54 yards to Barrett. The attempt for extra points failed, leaving the tally 66-28.

With 9:54 left in the third, the game was called after Northern Valley scored on a one-yard dash from Casey Dole. Britt passed to Chase Miller for the extra points, making the final score 74-28.

"This was a good first game for us," said Coach Chuck Fessenden. "All of our kids got to see some action and they did a good job."

Nelson was the top rusher for the Huskies with 103-yards on three

carries. He was followed by Laubscher, 91 on six; Britt, 90 on six; Copper, 81 on four; Marble, 11 on four; Dole, seven on three; Thalheim, six on two; Lowry, five on three; and Johnson, four on three.

Britt completed one of two passes for three yards, while Copper threw two incomplete passes. Receiving was Miller, one for three.

Andrew Sheley led tackles with 6 solos and 2 assists, followed by Nelson, 3-1; Patrick Hammond, 3-1; Copper 2-3; Nathaniel Graham, 1-4; David Harris, 1-3; Lowry, Cameron Duede and Tanner Jessup, 1-2 each R. Kersch, 1-1; Britt, Drew Eagleburger, Cody Callaway, Travis Redeker, Cody Hardy, and Josey Shearer, 1-0 each; and Ethan Hays, Eric Woodside, Braden Kersch, Cole Kinderknecht and Chance Miller, 0-1 each.

The Huskies will play Golden Plains in Alma on Friday. Kick-off is set for 7 p.m.

Game Statistics

N. Valley	Triplains
8	1
399	51
3	131
402	182
1-4	5-11
1-1	3-1
2-20	9-45
0-0-0	5-98-19.6



Northern Valley senior Clarke Nelson had three carries for 103 yards and two touchdowns in the season opening game against Triplains. — Telegram photos by Susie Marble



Huskies' quarterback Joey Copper hands off to No. 46 Avery Thalheim who runs in a successful two point conversion after the Huskies scored their first touchdown of the season.

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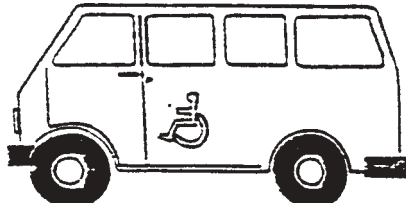


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