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High School
Oct. 25
Football

7 p.m., Bowie @Vernon
7 p.m., Nocona @Tom Bean
7 p.m., Saint Jo vs Leveretts Chapel
7:30 p.m., Forestburg vs Gold-Burg

Volleyball

5 p.m., Bowie @Vernon
5 p.m., Gold-Burg vs Saint Jo
5 p.m., Bellevue vs Prairie Valley

Oct. 26
Volleyball

12 p.m., Nocona vs Windthorst

Oct. 29
Volleyball

6 p.m., Bowie vs Ponder
6 p.m., Nocona @Petrolia
5 p.m., Saint Jo vs Bellevue
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Nov. 1

Football

7 p.m., Nocona vs Whitewright
7:30 p.m., Gold-Burg vs Fannindel



Dallas
Mavericks

Oct. 24

vs San Antonio 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 26

@Phoenix 9 p.m.



Dallas
Cowboys

Oct. 27

@San Francisco 7:20 p.m.

Nov. 3

@Atlanta 12 p.m.

inbrief

MSU loses to
Angelo State

Angelo State scored 27 points in the second quarter and Rams rolled to their fifth consecutive win by beating Midwestern State 44-7 on Homecoming Saturday night at Memorial Stadium.

It was MSU's worst home loss since falling to No. 9-ranked Northwest Missouri State in the 1997 season opener.

The Mustangs fell 3-4 on the season and to 2-3 in the Lone Star Conference, while Angelo State improved to 5-2 and moved into a tie with Western Oregon atop the standings.

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News photo by Jordan Neal

Running back Justin Clark races through a gaping hole in the line on his way for Bowie's first touchdown in the Jackrabbits win against Boyd.

Jackrabbits beat Boyd 25-18

By JORDAN NEAL

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The Bowie Jackrabbits earned their first district win in front of their home crowd against Boyd on Friday night.

The Jackrabbits won 25-18, withstanding a second half comeback from the Yellowjackets to pull out the win.

Bowie came into the game feasting for a win. Despite a 3-4 record, the Jackrabbits were 0-3 in district play, with two of those games being winnable on the night.

They thought they could get one against a young Boyd team that came in with a 1-5 record and also looking for its first district win. Still, that record proved to be deceptive since the Yellowjackets showed they could play from the opening kickoff.

The pooched kickoff was sent sky high and Bowie's player failed to call fair catch in a fashion that caught the referee's eye. Boyd recovered the onside kick and then went down and scored on its opening possession when a wide receiver screen scooted 11-yards into the end zone.

The Jackrabbits responded immediately, marching down the field with ease and scoring in just more than two minutes. Running back Justin Clark scooted his way

for a six-yard touchdown run. The extra point put Bowie up 7-6.

Bowie's defense recovered from the shocking first drive to buckle down on Boyd's pass happy offense. From the beginning the Jackrabbits did not allow the Yellowjackets to get anything on the ground so Boyd threw the ball as much as any team Bowie had faced all season, but with limited success for the rest of the half.

The Jackrabbits got the ball back and still in the first quarter, Rayder Mann bought time with his legs before finding Tyler Richey wide open. Richey made a move past a closing defender and ran the rest of the way in to complete a 37-yard touchdown pass.

Bowie led 14-6 heading into the second quarter, having recovered from the opening knock down well.

The defense gave the Jackrabbits a good chance to score to start the second quarter. Cornerback Mo Azouak intercepted two passes on consecutive drives. On the second one he returned it inside of Boyd's 10-yard line.

Unfortunately, this would be the start of when Bowie's offense seemed to run into some hiccups that would last the rest of the night as drives seemed to find

ways to stall.

This one did too, but the Jackrabbits were close enough for kicker Nick Salazar to make a 23-yard field goal. Bowie led 17-6 and despite some good play from the Jackrabbits, that was the score at halftime as well.

Boyd came out ready to still fight in the second half despite its offense being neutered since its opening drive. The short screen passes were not consequential and any deep passes had not been on target enough to routinely hurt the Jackrabbit defense or had been broken up.

To start the third quarter, the Yellowjackets drove their deepest into Bowie's territory since the start of the game. It looked like the Jackrabbit defense was going to get a stop as they had Boyd in a fourth and long situation.

The Yellowjackets were able to find their slot receiver just open enough for a 23-yard touchdown pass on a go-route, finally connecting on a deep pass. It cut Bowie's lead to 17-12 and showed the team it was not going to coast to an easy win.

Frustration mounted as the Jackrabbit offense continued to struggle. The rhythm just was not right at the beginning of drives and after the first quarter big plays were few and far between to

keep the chains moving if one play went off script.

It went into the fourth quarter with Bowie still up 17-12, but one big play from the Yellowjackets could upend that.

It turns out it was a disappointing sequence. The Jackrabbits offense decided to go for it on fourth down since they were in Boyd's territory, but too far for a field goal attempt.

The Yellowjacket defense came up with the stop and then their offense hit on another big play.

It was a wide receiver screen on the left side of the field that broke open for a 58-yard touchdown catch and run. Boyd had its first lead since the beginning of the game 18-17.

While there was still plenty of time in the quarter, Bowie's spirits were as down as it had been to start the game. With its offensive sputtering leading directly to the Yellowjackets next score, momentum was on Boyd's side and the Jackrabbits would have to find a way to make a big play.

They found it on their next drive. Facing its first third down of the drive, Mann looked deep and found Hunter Rodriguez wide open behind the defense on the home sideline. He reeled it in and took it into the end zone

for a 66-yard touchdown.

The good two-point conversion put Bowie up 25-18.

The score had happened fast so Boyd still had multiple attempts to respond.

The Yellowjackets drove into the Jackrabbits red zone on their next drive. Bowie's defense held and on fourth and goal cornerback Boston Farris intercepted the pass in the end zone for a touchback and to complete the crucial goal line stand.

Later Boyd's defense turned the ball over on downs near midfield.

The dagger came when punter Zac Harris nailed a punt to the Yellowjackets four-yard line with 17 seconds left.

Bowie won 25-18.

Clark led the team with 72 yards rushing and scored one touchdown. Mann completed nine passes for 150 yards and two touchdowns. He also ran for 48 yards on the ground.

Rodriguez finished with 64 yards receiving on two catches and scored one touchdown. Richey had a team high three catches for 59 yards and scored one touchdown.

The defense allowed only eight yards rushing, but Boyd still completed 23 passes for 316 yards. What helped were the

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Nocona struggles against Trenton

By JORDAN NEAL

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The Nocona Indians were more competitive than they have been coming off a bye-week, but still fell to Trenton at home on Friday.

The Tigers won 22-0 against the Indians as Nocona's defense played better than it has in recent weeks.

The Indians came into the game knowing it had a tough challenge. Despite Trenton's modest 3-4 record and no wins in district, the Tigers offense is a unique one that features a lot of misdirection and is unlike anything Nocona has ever played.

"There offense is different, it's certainly one of a kind," Crutsinger said. "Had an extra week to get ready for it, but the biggest thing is we couldn't get the ball in the end zone. We got the ball inside the 10-yard line twice and one time inside the 25-yard line, but came away with no points."

Even with an extra week to prepare for it, the Indians could only prepare so much. Still, on the first drive of the game the Indians defense forced a turnover on downs.

Unfortunately, it did not lead to a lot of great things.

After a scoreless first

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Photo by Todd Peterson

Carson Peters hauls in a big over the shoulder catch for Nocona along the sidelines.



News photo by Jordan Neal
Tyler Richey ruthlessly stiff arms a Boyd defender to the ground on this catch and run.



Photo by Jack Milchanowski
Bowie's Mo Azouak jumps up to intercept this pass, which was one of two he had.

Bowie

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three interceptions Bowie forced in the back end and the Yellowjackets completing less than 50% of their passes.

Coach Tyler Price was glad his team got the win, knowing his team's play-off hopes rely on every game remaining on the schedule to go his team's way.

"The kids played hard and well and got the W," Price said. "We weren't perfect, but we aren't asking them to be perfect. We

are asking them to play with maximum effort and do what they are coached to do and I feel like we did that."

Bowie faces a tough test against an athletic Vernon team on the road that has a 5-2 record and is 2-1 in district play.

The game is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Oct. 25 at Vernon.

Friday's Result
At Bowie
Bowie 25, Boyd 18

Record: Bowie 4-4 (1-3), Boyd 1-6 (0-3)
Bowie 14 3 0 8 – 25
Boyd 6 0 6 6 – 18

Scoring Summary
1st Quarter
BYD: Maddox Parks 11-yard pass from Will McIntire (TD) 6-0
BHS: Justin Clark 6-yard rush (TD) 6-7
BHS: Tyler Richey 37-yard pass from Rayder Mann (TD) 6-13
2nd Quarter
BHS: Nick Salazar 23-yard

(FG) 6-17
3rd Quarter
BYD: Drew Brinkley 23-yard pass from Will McIntire (TD) 12-17
4th Quarter
BYD: Hunter Etter 58-yard pass from Will McIntire (TD) 18-17
BHS: Hunter Rodriguez 66-yard pass from Rayder Mann (TD) 18-25

Individual Statistics
Rushing
Bowie: Justin Clark, 20-72, 1 touchdown; Rayder

Mann, 7-48; **Boyd:** Maddox Parks, 17-21; Cash Selby, 1(-1); Will McIntire, 4(-12)

Passing
Bowie: Rayder Mann, 9-for-18, 150 yards, 2 touchdowns; **Boyd:** Will McIntire, 23-for-47, 3 touchdowns, 3 interceptions

Receiving
Bowie: Hunter Rodriguez, 2-64, 1 touchdown; Tyler Richey, 3-59, 1 touchdown;

Boston Farris, 2-21; Bradly Horton, 2-6; **Boyd:** Hunter Etter, 4-104, 1 touchdown; Drew Brinkley, 9-100, 1 touchdown; Cash Selby, 3-46; Maddox Parks, 4-34, 1 touchdown; Major Jennings, 3-32

Defense
Bowie only: Mo Azouak 2 interceptions; Boston Farris 1 interception, 9 pass break ups; Hunter Fluitt 2 sacks, 3 tackles for loss; Hunter Rodriguez 10 tackles

8 Ways To Stay Safe On Halloween

1. Don't keep candles burning in Jack-o'-lanterns or luminaries.

2. Consider using battery-operated flames.

3. You might also opt for a safer pumpkin "carving" by painting them or decorating them with stickers.

4. Look for flame-resistant costumes, wigs, and accessories, and make sure your dress or outfit is the proper length and fit, so you don't trip or catch fire.

5. If applying face paint, be careful around the eyes and test for any skin allergies before using it.

6. Avoid using contact lenses that alter the look or color of your eyes as they can be hazardous to your eye health.

7. Use a flashlight, LED light, or apply reflective tape to your costume to see and be seen by others, including cars.

8. If your costume requires a sword or weapon, do not swing it around, and keep the pointed part away from yourself and others.

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