

Frankenmuth Eagles Claim 15th Straight Conference Championship with 41-22 Win Over Swan Valley

The Frankenmuth Eagles traveled to take on the Swan Valley Vikings in a Tri-Valley Red Conference showdown that would determine the league championship, and the Eagles came away with a convincing 41-22 victory. The championship marks the 15th consecutive conference title for Frankenmuth, which has now won 78 straight conference games, an incredible accomplishment for the Eagles football program.

Frankenmuth opened the game with an eight-play, 72-yard drive that culminated in a 22-yard touchdown pass from Noah Main to Will McCubbin. Carson Stricker added the extra point to give the Eagles an early 7-0 lead.

On Swan Valley's ensuing possession, the Vikings drove deep into Frankenmuth territory and attempted a 25-yard field goal. However, Grant Bennett blocked the kick to preserve the Eagles' 7-0 advantage.

Frankenmuth responded with another scoring drive, covering 89 yards in six plays. A couple of long passes from Main to K.J. Helms helped set up the drive before Riyu Deal capped it with a two-yard touchdown run, extending the Eagles' lead to 14-0.

On the first play of the second quarter, Main connected with Helms on a 61-yard touchdown pass, pushing Frankenmuth's advantage to 21-0.

Swan Valley got on the scoreboard at the 9:28 mark of the second quarter when Maxwell Miller scored on a six-yard run. Miller also converted the two-point conversion, cutting the Eagles' lead to 21-8.

Frankenmuth answered at the 4:32 mark when Main kept the ball on a quarterback keeper and raced 12 yards for another touchdown. The Eagles carried a 28-8 lead into halftime.

At the start of the third quarter, the Frankenmuth defense came up with a key stop. Jonah Zehnder recorded a quarterback sack during Swan Valley's opening possession, helping force the Vikings to punt.

The Eagles then put together another impressive scoring drive, marching 75 yards in 11 plays and consuming 6 minutes and 54 seconds of game time. Will McCubbin finished the drive with a three-yard touchdown run, increasing Frankenmuth's lead to 35-8.

Swan Valley added another score at the 8:55 mark of the fourth quarter when Miller scored on a one-yard run, making it 35-15.

The Eagles responded with another big play through the air. Main connected with Brady Hale on a 53-yard touchdown pass, his third passing touchdown of the game, to extend the Frankenmuth lead.

The Vikings added a late touchdown at the 3:47 mark of the fourth quarter when quarterback Keller Bedford connected with Torrance McMurrin on a 28-yard touchdown pass. The successful extra point brought the final score to 41-22 in favor of the Eagles.

Statistically, Frankenmuth controlled the game, finishing with 452 yards of total offense, including 203 yards rushing and 249 yards passing. Swan Valley finished with 250 total yards, with 214 coming through the air.

Main led the Eagles' passing attack, completing nine of 11 attempts for 249 yards and three touchdowns. Helms led the receiving corps with three catches for 133 yards, while McCubbin added three receptions for 44 yards. Deal led the rushing attack with 82 yards on 11 carries.

Defensively, Bennett led Frankenmuth with eight tackles. Zehnder added five tackles and two quarterback sacks, while Brock Rowden and Michael Carter each recorded five tackles.

The victory also marked a historic milestone for the program, as the game was the 700th in Frankenmuth football history. In its 71st season, the Eagles' all-time record stands at 527 wins, 169 losses and four ties.

Frankenmuth will conclude its regular season next week when the Eagles host the Armada Tigers in a non-conference matchup.