

Frankenmuth Eagles Roll Past John Glenn, Set Up Showdown With Swan Valley for Tri-Valley Red Title

The Frankenmuth Eagles traveled to Bay City and came away with an impressive 41-14 victory over the Bay City John Glenn Bobcats in a Tri-Valley Red Conference contest. With the win, Frankenmuth sets up a showdown with Swan Valley next week for the Tri-Valley Red championship, as both teams enter the matchup undefeated in conference play.

The Eagles struck first on the opening possession, putting together an impressive eight-play, 74-yard drive that was capped by a four-yard touchdown run by Noah Main. Carson Strickert added the extra point to give Frankenmuth an early 7-0 lead.

John Glenn answered at the 7:04 mark of the first quarter when Garrett Hilborn broke loose for a 53-yard touchdown run. The extra point tied the game at 7-7.

Frankenmuth regained the lead on the first play of the second quarter when Main scored his second touchdown of the game on a three-yard run, putting the Eagles ahead 14-7.

Midway through the second quarter, Main connected with tight end Jonah Zehnder for a 15-yard touchdown pass. The extra point was unsuccessful, but the Eagles extended their lead to 20-7, which held through halftime.

The Bobcats opened the second half with the ball, but the Eagles' defense quickly made its presence felt as Avery Simmons recorded a quarterback sack to stop the drive. Simmons continued to disrupt the John Glenn offense throughout the game, finishing with three sacks.

At the 9:02 mark of the third quarter, Main scored his third rushing touchdown of the night on a 14-yard run, extending the Eagles' lead to 27-7. John Glenn responded on the ensuing kickoff when Hudson Sutherland returned it 72 yards for a touchdown, cutting the lead to 27-14.

Frankenmuth answered at the 7:07 mark when Main connected with Will McCubbin on a 50-yard touchdown pass. Stricker added the extra point to increase the Eagles' advantage to 34-14.

Later in the third quarter, the Eagles had a drive end with an interception in Bobcat territory. However, Frankenmuth quickly regained possession when E.J. Bernthal intercepted a John Glenn pass on the following play.

The Eagles added the final points of the game in the fourth quarter when Main broke free for an 18-yard touchdown run, his fourth rushing score of the night. Will McCubbin

added another interception late in the quarter as Frankenmuth's defense closed out the 41-14 victory.

Frankenmuth finished with 449 yards of offense, including 259 yards rushing and 190 yards passing. Main had an outstanding all-around performance, contributing to all six Eagles touchdowns with four rushing scores and two touchdown passes. He led the ground attack with 135 yards on 13 carries and completed 10 of 13 passes for 190 yards. Liam O'Hare led the Eagles' receivers with three catches for 63 yards.

The Eagles' defense limited John Glenn to just 120 yards of total offense. Grant Bennett and Avery Simmons led Frankenmuth with seven tackles apiece, while Simmons added four tackles for loss and three quarterback sacks.

With the victory, Frankenmuth now turns its attention to next week's highly anticipated matchup against Swan Valley. With both teams undefeated in Tri-Valley Red play, the Eagles will look to finish the conference season on top and claim the league championship.