Oskaloosa hands Hounds first loss

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
PCC EDITOR

OSKALOOSA - The night turned upside down in hurry for the Bloodhounds in a 58-14 loss to Oskaloosa Friday night.

Coming into the game 2-0, the Hounds were hoping to give the Indians, whose only loss was to top-ranked Pella, a run for their money on the road.

But the first series set the tone for the game as Oskaloosa was all over the Hounds from the get go forcing two Lennon Barker incompletions on the first series of the game. On 4 and 12 the snap sailed over the head of Barker and into the endzone. Barker flipped the ball out of the back of the endzone for a safety. Oskaloosa then returned the ensuing kick for a touchdown, but that was nullified by a holding penalty and the hosts took over at the Hounds’ 41.

The Bloodhounds didn’t have an answer for the Indians senior quarterback Seth Howard who had success running and throwing against the Hounds all night. He started by going 5 of 5 including a 19-yard gain to the 20 and then again for 31 yards on 3rd and 16 to get the ball to the Indians’ 11. On the next snap, Barker found Quentin Estrada for a 10-yard gain to the 1, where Alex Gully pushed across the goal line. The PAT was blocked and the Hounds were down 9-6.

The Indians got two first downs in the next series and then attempted a 53-yard field goal that came up just short right and the Hounds took over.

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Now’s not the time to pull on the depot reins

The Fort Madison City Council may very soon be faced with an up or down vote to continue working toward moving the Amtrak depot back to its original location at the historic depot near downtown.

Fort Madison City Councilman Rusty Andrews has voiced concerns on several occasions about the continued usage of city funds on promoting the city’s history. Solid stewardship of city funds is an admirable endeavor, and to Andrews’ credit, he wasn’t on the council when the ball started rolling on moving the Amtrak depot from its current location near the city’s waste water.

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WB-ND up next on Friday night at home

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
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FORT MADISON - With the campfires being stamped out and trailers finding their way outta town, the 2017 Tri-State Rodeo may be remembered as one of the best ever.

Added events like the Friday night bullfights, coupled with the wildly popular CINCH Shootout, taking a flyer on 90s sensation Smash Mouth, and some awesome weather has General Chairman Josh Denning exalting and thinking toward 2018.

Saturday’s performance put a wrap on the season with Nashville Country Star Jon Pardi giving the crowd one more reason to whoop and holler after MC Boyd Polhamus said goodbye to the crowd and Rodeo competitors left it all on the arena dirt to walk away with Tri-State Rodeo championships.

Denning said Saturday night was close to a sellout and preliminary numbers indicate that more than 32,000 people came to the performances Wednesday through Saturday and that doesn’t include the Lil Spurs rodeo and Special Kids rodeos that were free. Those two events set records for participation, too.

“We had record numbers on our Lil Spurs Rodeo,” Denning said. “We had to shut down the registration early and next year we’ll probably have to cap that at 166 riders. And we just had a huge turnout for the Special Kids Rodeo on Sunday.”

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Tri-State Rodeo ends with a Pardi

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BNSF bridge repairs to start with 3-hour closure on Monday

BY PCC STAFF

FORT MADISON - Fort Madison city officials and Burlington Northern Santa Fe officials have released times and dates for several closures of the swingspan bridge from Fort Madison to Illinois in the upcoming weeks and during the fall. The first closure will take place on Monday, Sept. 11 and will be a three-hour single lane closure of the north bound lane for delivery and hoist of equipment. No times were provided for the three and four-hour closures of the bridge.

Wednesday, Oct. 4, will be the next closure with the northbound lane closed from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. for additional delivery, off loading and hoisting of equipment at the toll booth.

Another single lane closure will take place on Monday, Nov. 13 for the removal of the existing west traffic gate and the installation of the new gate. This will be a full day closure from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. of the westbound or north lane. A 3-hour closure will follow on Thursday, Nov. 16 to test the new west traffic gate.

A single lane closure for the removal of the existing east traffic gate and the installation of the new gate will take place on Monday, Nov. 27. This will be a full-day closure from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. of the eastbound or south lane.

On Wednesday, Nov. 30th, both lanes will be closed for three hours to test the new eastbound traffic gate. On Monday, Dec. 4 crews will be doing a full 4-hour bridge closure to test the traffic controls and bridge operating systems.

BNSF officials said the durations of closures are fixed, but based on installation schedules, delivery of equipment and installation progress, some of the dates are subject to change.

OBITUARIES

JOANNE SPIESZ

Joanne Spiesz, 75 of rural Croton, Iowa, passed away at 3:06 a.m. Friday, September 8, 2017 at the Fort Madison Community Hospital in Fort Madison, Iowa.

Born December 31, 1941 in Cincinnati, Ohio, she was the daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Sorrells) Wagner. On July 2, 1966, she married Eugene Spiesz near Croton, Iowa.

Survivors include her husband, Eugene; two daughters, Kathy Woodley of Keokuk, Iowa and Diane Holcomb of Isom, Kentucky; four grandchildren, Barry Combs, Elizabeth Miles, Brandon Holcomb, and Kevin Holcomb; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one half-sister, Bettie Davis.

Joanne was a member of the Embury United Methodist Church. She retired from Sheaffer Pen Company, where she worked as an inspector. Joanne enjoyed quilting, crocheting, cross stitching, watching movies, and collecting antiques. She was an avid Iowa Hawkeye Fan.

Friends may call from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 10, 2017 at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson, Iowa, where the family will meet with friends from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

A Funeral Service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, September 11, 2017 at Schmitz Funeral Home in Donnellson, Iowa with Pastor Peg Ellington officiating. Burial will be in Embury Cemetery in rural Donnellson, Iowa.

Memorials may be made to Embury Cemetery. Online Condolences may be sent to the family at www.schmitzfuneralhomes.com.
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Lottery Numbers

IOWA LOTTERY WINNING NUMBERS

9/8
4 5 14 26 73
Mega Ball: 14
Megaplier: 3

9/9
6 20 29 57 59
Powerball: 22
Power Play: 2

Lottery Numbers

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9 7 3
9/8 EVENING
9 3 0

9/9 MID-DAY
9 4 9
9/9 EVENING
0 9 0

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Hounds defense kept on its heels most of game

FOOTBALL - Continued from Page 1

over at the 20 and went four and out.

Howard led the Indians back down the field for a 10-play, 52-yard drive capped by a Howard pass to 6’8” wideout Cole Henry who drug Seymouhrr Redd-Donald into the end zone after a short 6 yard pass play for a 16-6 lead.

The Hounds had something going on the next possession, but a 16-yard sack of Barker on 3rd and 13 forced a punt. Howard took the next snap at the 34 and scrambled through the middle of the field and cut right and down the sideline to put the Indians up 23-6.

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Lady Hounds breeze past Washington

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG
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Junior Kaeti Hutson was 18-19 hitting with six kills and 2 blocks on a night that saw FMHS Head Coach Kent Bailey swapping in personnel regularly.

Senior Leigh Johnson had 22 assists and had two blocks and senior Kanyn Bailey led the Hounds serving going 17-18 from the line with six aces to go with six digs from the back row.

Senior Amber Dilsaver was 19-21 hitting with 11 kills and three blocks patrolling the net area for Fort Madison. Juniors Josie Pumphrey and Olivia Williams was 14 of 15 serving with three digs.

“Our serving was on tonight which made it tough on Washington to run their offense,” Bailey said. “Our hitters had open lanes to swing which led to kills. Leigh distributed the ball well and during the third game we substituted liberally.”

Braxtyn McGhghy was 7-9 from the line with two aces, and while Vanessa Golowach served 4 of 4 with two aces and Lilli Scott as 2 of 3 with an ace.

Shyla Farmer was 8 of 10 hitting with three kills, McKenna Fehseke was 7 of 8 hitting with four kills, Courtney Woodley was 4 of 4 hitting with 2 kills and Jasmine Bas was 4 of 4 hitting with one kill and two blocks.

“The kids are getting better at keeping their focus on playing on every play,” Bailey said.

The Hounds are now 8-4 overall and 3-0 in the Southeast Conference and play at Keokuk on Tuesday.
PUBLIC NOTICE
Lee County, Iowa
Board of Supervisors
Regular Meeting Agenda
DATE: FRIDAY, September 15, 2017
MEETING CONVENING TIME: 9:00 A.M.
LOCATION: Lee County Courthouse

AGENDA
1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes from August 14, 2017
3. Public Input
4. Review/Approve Step Increase from Class V Step 1 at 17.57 to Class V Step 2 at 18.08 for Assistant Plant Manager
5. Review/Approve Step Increase from Class V Step 1 at 17.57 to Class V Step 2 at 18.08 for Assistant Naturalist
6. Consider donation of a 1988 John Deere 7200 Planter from the Lee County Pheasants Forever Chapter (value $5,500)
7. Discussion on Indian Sequestration
8. Adjournment

Residents are welcome to attend.

No Public Notice
Lee County Conservation Board
Special Meeting Agenda
September 12, 2017
6:00 p.m.
Lee County Conservation Center, 2652 Highway 61, Montrose, IA 52639
1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes from August 14, 2017
3. Public Input
This is the time of the meeting that a citizen may address the Board on any matters pertaining to the Lee County Conservation Board. The Board cannot take formal action at the meeting on matters not included on the regular agenda, but may ask the staff to research the matter or have the matter placed on a subsequent agenda.
4. Approval of Bills
5. Approval of Financial Report
6. Review/Approve Step Increase from Class V Step 1 at 17.57 to Class V Step 2 at 18.08 for Assistant Naturalist
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For the Record

Fort Madison Police Report

09/06/17 - 3:42 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1700 block of Avenue H. 09/07/17 - 12:32 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1400 block of Avenue I.

Lee County Sheriff's Report

09/06/17 - 4:41 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Kimberly Ann Sandeffer-Boorman, 32, of Fort Madison, at the Lee County Sheriff's office on warrants for failure to appear and contempt of court. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/06/17 - 5:57 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Eric Eugene Fortune, Jr., 24, of Fort Madison, in the 2300 block of 220th Street in Donnellson, on charges of criminal mischief and criminal trespass. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - midnight - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Dereck Franklin Kent Harwood, 34 of Keokuk at the Lee County Sheriff's office on warrant for probation violation. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - 1:24 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Robert Alan Ullik, 36 of Fort Madison, in the 1700 block of Avenue H, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - 1:15 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Gregory Allen Johnson, 46 of St. Louis County, Mo., on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance out of St. Louis County, Mo. He was taken and held at the Lee County Jail.

09/08/17 - 9:55 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Christopher Allen Seitz, 40, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of Avenue H and 20th Street, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - 1:01 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Benjamin G. Trane, 39, of Idaho Falls, ID at the Lee County Sheriff's office on warrants for sexual exploitation, child endangerment and sexual abuse. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - 12:53 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Richard Jay Wells, 46 of Fort Madison in the 1400 block of Avenue H, on a warrant for driving while barred and for a separate charge of driving while barred. He was held at the Lee County Jail.

09/06/17 - 12:32 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Robert Alan Ullik, 36, of Fort Madison, in the 1700 block of Avenue H, on a warrant for driving while barred and for a separate charge of driving while barred. He was held at the Lee County Jail.

Police Report

Fort Madison

09/07/17 - 11:21 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 5400 block of Avenue O.

09/07/17 - 11:25 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1700 block of Avenue H.

09/07/17 - 12:32 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1400 block of Avenue I.

09/07/17 - 11:01 a.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 3000 block of Avenue N.

09/07/17 - 1:15 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Timothy Allen Kent Harwood, 34 of Elvaston, Ill., at the Lee County Jail and held. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - 6:18 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Jeremiah Bollin, 39 of Idaho Falls, ID at the Lee County Sheriff's office on warrants for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - 12:32 p.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Robert Alan Ullik, 36, of Fort Madison, in the 1700 block of Avenue H, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/08/17 - 3:06 a.m. - Fort Madison police arrested Dereck Franklin Kent Harwood, 34 of Keokuk at the Lee County Sheriff's office on warrant for probation violation. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - 1:36 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Thurman Purdymann III, 26 of Keokuk at the Lee County Sheriff's office, on a judgement entry. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/07/17 - 4:52 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Timothy Aaron Williams, 35, of Donnellson, in the 2300 block of 220th Street in Donnellson on a charge of 2nd degree burglary. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/06/17 - 3:42 p.m. - Fort Madison police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1700 block of Avenue H.

09/06/17 - 8:57 a.m. - Fort Madison police cited and released Crystal Lynne Wolf, 44, of Fort Madison on a charge of dog running at large.

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09/07/17 - 9:55 p.m. - Fort Madison police cited and released Richard Jay Wells, 46, of Fort Madison in the 1400 block of Avenue H, on a warrant for driving while barred and for a separate charge of driving while barred. He was held at the Lee County Jail.

09/07/17 - 1:24 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Christopher Allen Seitz, 40, of Fort Madison, at the intersection of Avenue H and 20th Street, on a warrant for failure to appear. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

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09/08/17 - 4:52 a.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Kimberly Ann Sandeffer-Boorman, 32, of Fort Madison, at the Lee County Sheriff's office on warrants for failure to appear and contempt of court. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

09/06/17 - 5:57 p.m. - Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Eric Eugene Fortune, Jr., 24, of Fort Madison, in the 2300 block of 220th Street in Donnellson, on charges of criminal mischief and criminal trespass. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

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For the Record

Fort Madison Fire & Rescue Report

09/07/17 - Fort Madison Firefighters responded to one lift assist.

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5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

SUN 10 Sep

Clear Skies

Low – 76.7º F | High – 52.4º F

MON 11 Sep

Clear Skies

Low – 75.7º F | High – 59.1º F

TUE 12 Sep

Clear Skies

Low – 72.6º F | High – 61.9º F

WED 13 Sep

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Riders deboarding downtown is a better bet

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treatment plant, into its former location at the historical depot.

But this literally and figuratively is like trying to stop a train in motion.

City Manager David Varley said Tuesday the city could be looking at $50,000 plus per year to maintain the depot in the new location. He and Mayor Brad Randol


dolph have both said those numbers are probably high because they didn't want to underestimate and end up with sticker shock come budget time.

The city's close to having an agreement ready for the council's approval to enter into a 20-year agreement with Amtrak. Varley said a more realistic number, once all the unknowns become 'knowns' would be $30,000 or less. So we're talking about $600,000 over the time of the agreement.

Attendance numbers of Amtrak riders through Fort Madison have dwindled from 9,000 riders in previous years to a projected 8,500 now and it's a good question to ask how many of those riders are fresh riders or people that already get off in Fort Madison. Maybe a real number of people who actually come into the town fresh is closer to 3,000 or 4,000. Some people want that studied to know what the impact is.

But even if it's 3,000, that's 3,000 you run the risk of losing if they don't do something with the depot and we've already spent $600K on getting the depot ready. Sure, that improvement also helped the North Lee County Historical Society and the museum that's ready. Sure, that improvement also helped the North Lee County Historical Society and the museum that's ready. Sure, that improvement also helped the North Lee County Historical Society and the museum that's ready.

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It seems retrograde politics to us to agree to spend the money to improve the facility and prepare it for the new depot platform, then back off when it comes time to start building it.

Amtrak has struggled with ridership in the past and Congress almost pulled some funding this year due to poor revenues. Because the government subsidizes that ridership, just like the city will have to subsidize the depot. But Amtrak is trying to push communities to refurbish their depots and make them destination stops to help increase riders. If you don't, they have indicated they may pull your stop. If it works, more people would potentially make a stop at your depot.

At the current location, that may not be that big of a deal despite Randolph and Greenwald both saying it "shanks" the community when you pull infrastructure. If the depot was already downtown in it's former state and Amtrak said fix it or lose it, we would hope they would have chosen to fix it.

Following that logic, it's the right move for the city to potentially help these businesses downtown by at least bringing those 3,000 to 4,000 people closer to the Main Street district.

There also is a push to create an art district along Main Street and people will bring a train into a town to visit those types of day stops or weekend stops and that will certainly convert to dollars for those business and gallery owners.

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A lot of time you just don't know. But we agree with Greenwald when he said the city will find out if they don't do it.

Leaving that depot where it is may cost us the stop. Moving it certainly opens up the possibility of helping business owners downtown. Isn't that potential alone, knowing that you've already spent over half a million prepping the place, a reason to move forward?

By the way, Fort Madison mayoral candidates Chris Sorrentino and Brad Randolph were campaigning from the rodeo parade Saturday. Randolph rode asegway, which is a homonym for 'segue,' a seamless move from one act to another without interruption....hmmm. But that's Beside the Point.

Rodeo may reach out to fans for planning 2018

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Denning, who has one more year left as General Chairman said this was by far the best rodeo in terms of numbers in his term.

"I don't know how it would rank among the other chairman. I think Mike Culbertson set a record, but I think we'll have about 32,000 people through so it might be in the top five," Denning said.

He said the temperatures that hovered in the 60s and 70s for the performances and breaks during the day events in the early part of the week helped with the attendance.

"I couldn't have asked for better weather. Cody Johnson put on a great show Thursday and Smash Mouth was great on Friday."

The CINCH Shootout continues to pack the C.E. "Eddie" Richards Arena on Wednesday night. Denning said the competitors are giving the fans everything to be expected.

"It just an awesome event. That's a (National Finals Rodeo) NFR caliber event and they gave exactly what we were looking for."

This was also the first year for the Bull Fighters Only event that was held Friday. Denning said the rodeo committee may look at expanding that event next year.

"I've heard some really good things from people about the BFO event. We thought that was a great event and we'll see if we can do to get them back for maybe more than one night next year."

He said the committee may also look to social media next year to firm up what kind of music the fans want to have at the rodeo.

"We're still trying to gauge if they are coming out for the rodeo or the music. It's a juggling act and we want to be able to provide what the fans want. So we want to get to our crowd on Facebook or whatever and just ask what they like and what they want to see part of the rodeo, while at the same time keeping the tickets affordable. We come up against that every year. Wé'd love to bring in a Garth Brooks and we can't just keep it affordable that way," Denning said.

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