

WA tips Blue Devils in final seconds

EAST MACHIAS — Caitlyn Lyons hit the second of two free throws to break a 41-41 tie with 17 seconds remaining to give the Washington Academy Raiders a 42-41 high school girls basketball victory over the Calais Blue Devils on Monday night.

HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

Lyons paced Washington Academy with nine points, Rylea Steeves added eight and Paige Richardson put in seven.

Faith Tirrell scored 15 points to lead the Blue Devils while Logan Huckins chipped in with 11 and Felicia Moholland netted nine.

Sumner 50, Bucksport 41

At East Sullivan, Taya Moore and Anna Young led the Tigers with 12 and 11 points, respectively, on their way to defeating Bucksport.

Taylor Merchant contributed 10 points and Casco Haley chipped in nine for the winners.

Bucksport was led by Breanna Coombs with a game-high 16 points and Cassie Coombs added 11.

Sumner (50): Haley 2-4-9, Merchant 4-2-10, A. Young 5-1-11, Moore 3-5-12, K. Young 3-0-6, Perry 1-0-2, Wheeler

Bucksport (41): C. Coombs 3-3-11, Jellison 1-0-3, B. Coombs 4-6-16, Robichaud 1-3-5, Soleman 1-4-6

Sumner 19 34 40 50

Bucksport 2 16 22 41

3-pt. goals: C. Coombs 2, B. Coombs 2, Jellison, Haley, Moore

Searsport 50, DI-Stonington 28

At Searsport, Melinda Ogden poured in 20 points to lead the Vikings by the Mariners.

Ally Easton paced DI-S with 11 points.

Dexter 44, Penquis Valley 25

At Milo, Megan Peach scored 18 points to propel the Dexter Tigers past Penquis Valley.



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Bangor's Trevor DeLaite (right) struggles for the puck with Falmouth's Chris Camelio during the first period of Monday's game at Sawyer Arena in Bangor. Falmouth won 4-2. Story on Page B5.

Jordan Durant scored nine and Megan Valvo scored seven to lead the Patriots.

Dexter 14 21 35 44

PV 7 10 14 25

JV: Dexter 31-15

Katahdin 56, Bangor Chr. 26

At Stacyville, Georgia Landry led Katahdin with 19 points en route to the win over Bangor Christian.

Courtney Stevens added 10 points, and Natalie Rickards had nine for the Cougars.

For Bangor Christian, Abby Cross tallied nine points.

S. Aroostook 57, East Grand/GHCA 27

At Dyer Brook, Kassidy Mathers scored a game-high 18 points as the Warriors (2-0) cruised past East Grand.

Kylie Vining added 15 points and Katelyn Slauenwhite had 10 for Southern Aroostook.

For East Grand/Greater Houlton Christian Academy (0-2), Haily Shay led the way with 13 points and Sarah Stoddard added 11.

EG (27): Shay 5-0-13, S Stoddard 3-5-11, M. Gilman 2-0-4, Napoli, Cowger, Simon, L. Gilman, K. Stoddard

SA (57): Vining 5-5-15, Porter, 4-1-9, Brewer 2-1-5, Slaunwhite 4-0-10, Mathers 7-4-18, Cummings

EG 3 12 22 27

SA 10 22 40 57

3-pt. field goals: Shay 3, Slauenwhite 2

Piscataquis 52, GSA 40

At Guilford, the Piscataquis Community Pirates never trailed to earn their second win of the season.

Jordynne Littlefield led the way for the Pirates with a game-high 23 points, 15 of which came in the second half. Delani Bennet got the Pirates off the a good start, scoring

eight of her 15 points in the first quarter.

Morgan Dauk paced George Stevens Academy of Blue Hill with 15 points and Mazie Smallidge added 12.

GSA (40): Gutow 3-2-9, Snow, Chesney, Dauk 4-7-15, Gray 1-0-2, Brooks 1-0-2, Gale, Allen, Smallidge 5-2-12, Crosby

PCHS (52): Speed 2-1-3, Deane, Littlefield 9-3-23, Patterson 1-2-4, Harris 2-0-4, Lemieux, Trafton 1-0-3, Bennett 6-3-15

GSA 9 16 29 40

PCHS 16 27 37 52

3-pt. goals: Gutow, Littlefield 2, Trafton

Schenck 69, Lee Acad. 14

At East Millinocket, Anna Sewall led all scorers with 16 points to pace the Wolverines to victory.

Chantel Lane and Kayla Falone chipped in 13 and 10 points, respectively, for Schenck

Grace Cowan and Jade Liu each had four points for the Pandas.

Schenck (69): Chasse 3-0-6, Doane 3-0-6, Falone 3-0-7, Lane 5-0-13, Sewall 6-2-16, Lamson 1-1-3, Falone 5-0-10, Noddin 3-2-8

Lee Academy (14): Cowan 2-0-4, Liu 2-0-4, Sawtelle 2-1-5, ullerton 0-1-1

Schenck 17 43 59 69

Lee Acad. 4 7 9 14

3-pt. goals: S. Falone, Lane 3, Sewall 2

JV: Schenck: 39-22

Houlton 64, Mattanawcook Acad. 26

At Houlton, Kolleen Bouchard led a balanced-scoring attack with 19 points, 13 rebounds and six assists en route to victory against Mattanawcook Academy.

Natalie Hill and Rylee Warman each contributed 14 points while Katie Condon added 12. Houlton shot 10-13 from the free throw line.

Katie Tolman led the Lynx with seven points.

MA 8 14 19 26

Houlton 16 29 47 64

3-pt. goals: Flewelling, Bouchard

Penobscot Valley 45, Stearns 31

At Howland, Amy Hallett was the high scorer with 19 points as Penobscot Valley defeated Stearns.

Sami Ireland added 14 points for the Howlers and Arianna McKinnon chipped in six.

For Stearns of Millinocket, Abby Russell tallied 10 points and Peighton Ingersoll had eight.

Stearns 11-24-29-31

PVHS 8-20-31-45

MCI 41, Spruce Mountain 37

At Pittsfield on Friday night, Maine Central Institute rallied from a 22-10 halftime deficit to beat Spruce Mountain of Jay/Livermore Falls.

April McAlpine paced MCI with 12 points and Sydney Morton added eight. Other scorers included Jody Bickford 7, Christa Car 6, Taylor Hall 4 and Allison Hughes 4.

Emily Hogan scored 13 points to lead Spruce Mountain. Alex Bessey added nine and Hanna St. Pierre had five.

Boys Basketball

Central 85, Mattanawcook 72

At Corinth on Saturday, Kyle Ham scored a game-high 25 points to lead the Red Devils to a victory over the Lynx. Andrew Prescott added 15 points for Central. Gunner Maxwell scored 17 points to lead Mattanawcook.

Mattanawcook (72): Brown 1-0-2, Thompson 2-0-4, Ring 2-0-5, Jipson 3-0-7, Ritchie 2-0-5, Ward 4-2-11, Hanscom 3-0-7, Maxwell 4-8-17, Dorn 1-2-4, Mackie 2-0-6, Libby 1-2-4

Central (85): Speed 3-2-8, Shaw 1-5-7, Poulin 0-2-2, Prescott 5-4-15, Clukey 1-3-5, Miller, Gray 4-0-9, Mailman 1-0-2, Ham 12-1-25, Macomber 6-0-12

MA 15 42 58 72

Cen. 19 38 57 85

Heisman winners in NFL burnish pro resumes

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Six days before college football recognizes its most outstanding player of the season, the NFL got in on the Heisman Trophy hype.

Four former winners — Cam Newton, Sam Bradford, Jameis Winston and Marcus Mariota — had huge days to help their teams to victory Sunday as the league entered its stretch run for the playoffs.

The Carolina Panthers remained the NFL's only undefeated team by narrowly winning at New Orleans, 41-38, with Newton throwing for five touchdowns and further fueling his most-valuable-player campaign.

While his stats weren't gaudy — 14 for 24, 120 yards and two touchdowns — Bradford was under center for Philadelphia's 35-28 stunner at New England.

Then, there were the two most recent Heisman winners, Tampa Bay's Winston and Tennessee's Mariota. They were the first two picks in last spring's NFL draft and were an undeniable 1-2 punch Sunday.

Winston directed the Buccaneers to a 23-19 win over Atlanta, and Mariota won a 42-39 shootout with Jacksonville.

Heisman winners aren't always great NFL players, but these two rookies are leaving their mark. Each had at least one All-DVR run. Mariota rambled 87 yards for a touchdown in the fourth quarter as the Titans snapped an 11-game home losing streak.

Winston's big run was shorter but even more astounding. On third and 19, he dropped back to pass, couldn't find anyone open, then tucked the ball and took off. He appeared to be stopped short of the first down, but he somehow bounced out of the pile and continued the run for a total of 20 yards.

"That play was amazing," Buccaneers running back Doug Martin said. "I thought he was down, but that type of effort is contagious and that's the type of effort that we need on this team."

Mariota ran for 112 yards and threw for three touch-



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Tennessee Titans quarterback Marcus Mariota carries the ball during the second half against the Jacksonville Jaguars at Nissan Stadium in Nashville. The Titans won 42-39.

downs and 268 yards. He has four games with at least three touchdown passes, tying Peyton Manning for the most ever by a rookie.

The Titans won in Nashville for the first time since Oct. 12, 2014 — their only home win last year. Still, they're largely playing for pride now at 3-9.

The stakes are much higher for the Buccaneers, who at 6-6 are still in the playoff mix. The team they beat is 6-6 too, but the Falcons have lost five in a row and six of seven since getting off to a 5-0 start.

"That's as tough as it gets for us," Atlanta coach Dan Quinn said. "The finish was at hand. For us, finishing is about doing right longer, and we didn't get that done."

In Foxborough, Philadelphia had a 21-point lead with less than six minutes to play, yet nearly saw that evaporate. Even as Patriots fans streamed out of Gillette Stadium to get an early jump on the drive home, Tom Brady brought his team back to the brink of victory.

Brady threw for a touchdown to make it a two-score game, then, after a successful onside kick, trimmed the deficit to seven points with a one-yard scoring run with three minutes left.

Suddenly, the Philadelphia mantra "Fly Eagles

Fly" should have been "Why Eagles Why?"

But it was not to be for the Patriots, as Brady completed just one of seven passes (counting a clock-stopping spike) on his team's final possession, and New England turned it over on downs.

Philadelphia, which was coming off back-to-back losses to Miami and Tampa Bay, had not beaten New England since 1999, when Andy Reid was coaching the Eagles and Pete Carroll was coaching the Patriots.

So it was a great near-comeback for Brady until the end.

Well, nobody's perfect. Except the Panthers, at least so far.

NFL moves Cardinals vs. Eagles to prime time

The Week 15 matchup between the Arizona Cardinals and the Philadelphia Eagles has been moved to Sunday night under the NFL's flex scheduling policy.

The Cardinals and Eagles will play at 8:30 p.m. on NBC's "Sunday Night Football" in the Dec. 20 matchup. The previously scheduled Sunday night contest between the Cincinnati Bengals and San Francisco 49ers was moved to a 4:25 p.m. start on CBS.

Also, the telecast of the game between the Buffalo Bills and Washington Red-

skins has been switched from CBS to Fox. That game is scheduled for a 1 p.m.

Seahawks release benched CB Williams

The Seattle Seahawks released veteran cornerback Cary Williams, who was inactive the past two weeks after losing his starting job.

Williams, who will turn 30 on Dec. 23, signed a three-year, \$18 million contract over the offseason that included a \$3.5 million signing bonus and \$7 million in guaranteed money. He was immediately inserted as the starter opposite Richard Sherman to replace Byron Maxwell, who signed with Williams' former team, the Philadelphia Eagles.

However, Williams never acclimated to the Seahawks' coverage scheme and was regularly targeted by opposing quarterbacks. He was benched two weeks ago in favor of DeShawn Sheard and was inactive on game day with Jeremy Lane returning from injury.

Williams recorded 44 tackles, one sack, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery and one touchdown this season. The Seahawks will have a dead salary cap hit of \$2.33 million for Williams in 2016, according to spotrac.com.

The Sports Xchange contributed to this report.

McCloskey leads UMFK men by Daniel Webster

NASHUA, New Hampshire — The University of Maine-Fort Kent Bengals took control in overtime to record an 82-74 men's basketball victory over the Daniel Webster College Eagles Monday night.

Joe McCloskey gave UMFK its first lead and the lead for good in overtime on a little roller in the paint at the 4:19 mark and added separate free throws just under a minute apart to get the lead to four.

A pair at the line from Daniel Webster's Rondell Best made it a 70-68 game with 2:24 to go but UMFK's Marquis Glenn followed with a huge 3-pointer with 62 seconds on the clock to push the lead to five and Daniel Webster pulled no closer.

McCloskey pumped in a game-high 32 points on 13 of 18 shooting and added 10 rebounds to lead UMFK (10-7). Roosevelt Smith notched a double-double of 14 points and 11 boards to go with five assists and three steals. Glenn and Qaadir Ali each added 13 points.

Best paced the Eagles (4-3) with 27 points and 11 rebounds while Ryan Gauthier added 14 points.

Steelers

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"We have the best quarterback in the NFL," Brown said. "We have a great offensive line and running back. Each and every one of us takes pride in the game, and we're doing a great job and getting better each and every week as a team. Today we showed that."

Meanwhile, one week after giving up 39 points at Seattle, the Steelers defense set the tone early in the game when they came up with two big stands after the Steelers turned the ball over on their first two drives. After Jacoby Jones fumbled away the opening kickoff, third-year linebacker Jarvis Jones intercepted Matt Hasselbeck in the end zone to end a scoring threat. Then after DeAngelo Williams fumbled, the defense held the Colts to a field goal.

Women's Basketball

UMA 77, Unity 15

At Augusta, Morgan Card scored 26 points to help the University of Maine-Augusta cruise by Unity.

Carmen Bragg added 14 points for UMA (11-4), Caitlin LaFountain put in 12 and Jamie Plummer netted 10.

Jeana Coppa and Katie Dole each scored four points for Unity (0-7).

Men's Basketball

UMA 103, Unity 82

At Augusta, the University of Maine-Augusta rolled to a 51-24 lead at halftime and then held off the Rams in the second half to record the win.

Keith Chesley and Brandon Rogers each turned in double-doubles to lead UMA (6-7) with Chesley recording 27 points and 12 rebounds and Rogers contributing 24 points and 24 rebounds. Each player also had three assists and Rogers blocked six shots.

Dallas Murphy chipped in with 17 points for UMA and Noah Thompson netted 13. UMA outrebounded Unity 58-30.

Sean Tocci paced Unity (2-5) with 26 points, Hunter Engel added 25 and Eddie Kopacz had 20. Kopacz also had nine rebounds and Engel had eight.

"Jarvis' pick really set the tempo," defensive end Cam Heyward said. "It's huge. We don't ever give up. We've been hardened throughout the season because we've been in the red zone so much."

Linebacker James Harrison had three sacks and a forced fumble. It was the 18th time in his career he's had a multi-sack game. He now has more multi-sack games than anyone else in franchise history. He had been tied with Jason Gildon.

NOTES: Wide receiver Antonio Brown became the first player in franchise history to catch two touchdown passes and return a punt for a touchdown in the same game. Brown has caught 90 passes in three consecutive seasons, becoming the second player in team history to do so. Hines Ward also did it from 2001-03. ... Cornerback William Gay, who has played in 140 consecutive games, left the Colts game because he was placed in the NFL concussion protocol.

Hockey

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The Yachtsmen dominated the first period but led only 1-0 at the intermission.

Falmouth uncorked 18 shots and put 13 on Fournier as Bangor was pinned in its own end for much of the period.

Fournier racked up 12 saves, none more critical than the one at the 12:46 mark. Louis Mainella stole

the puck from a Bangor player just outside the right point and broke in alone. He cut across the slot to his left, but Fournier flashed out his right pad to make a nifty stop on a backhand shot.

Norris staked the Yachtsmen to a 1-0 lead 4:31 into the

contest amidst a period of sustained pressure in the Bangor end. Parker Wyatt got the puck to Noyes in the circle to the right of Fournier, and Noyes fired a hard pass to the far post, where Norris one-timed it into the open net.