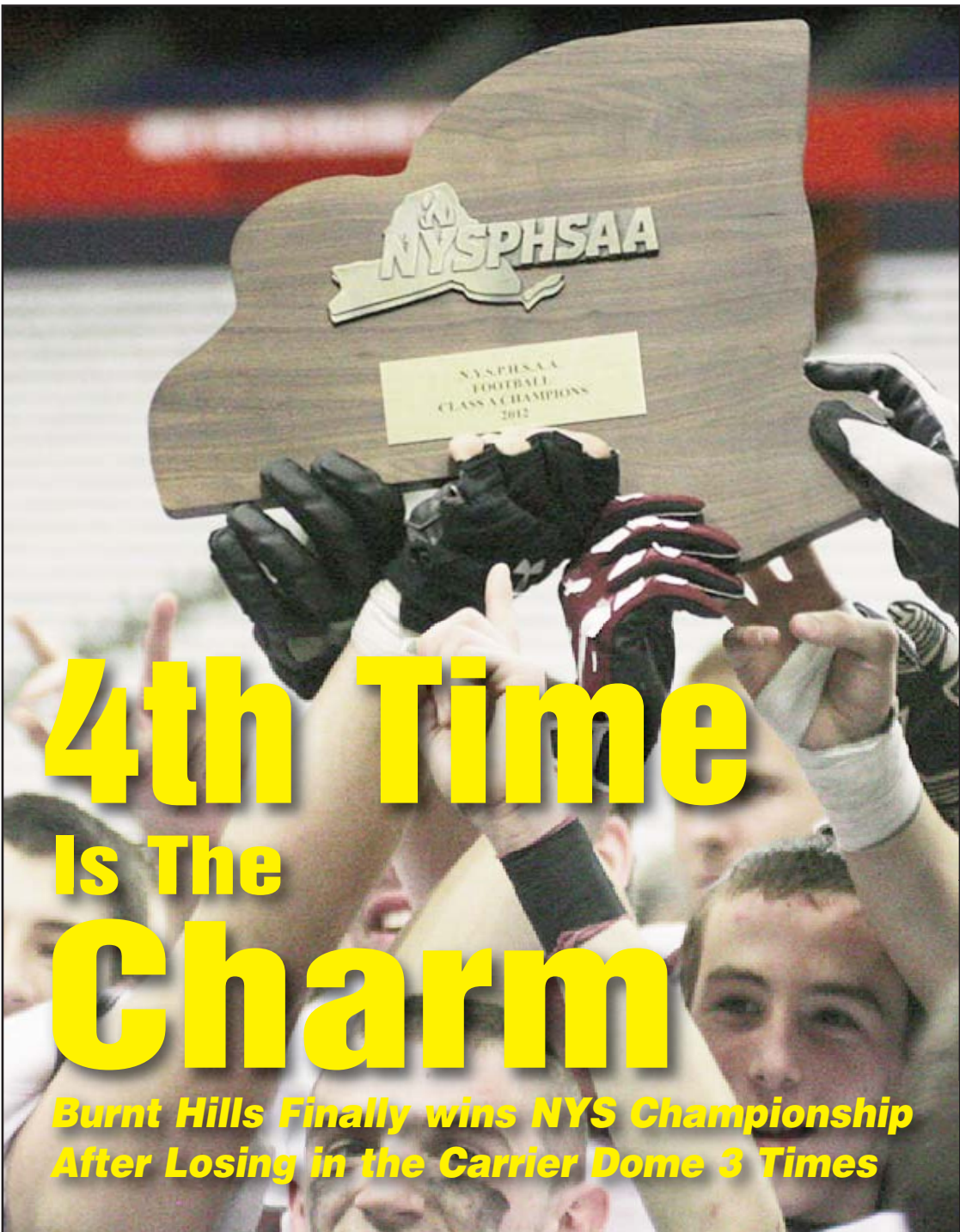


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2012 Final New York State Rankings

AA New York State

Team	W-L
1. (tie) Canisius (MMA)	11-0
1. (tie) New Rochelle (1)	11-1
3. Shaker (2)	10-1
4. Orchard Park (6)	11-2
5. Chaminade (CHSFL)	10-1
6. Erasmus Hall (PSAL)	12-0
7. Syracuse CBA (3)	11-1
8. William Floyd (11)	10-2
9. St. Anthony's (CHSFL)	8-3
10. Tottenville (PSAL)	10-2
11. Iona Prep (CHSFL)	8-2
12. Aquinas (5)	7-4
13. Jamestown (6)	8-2
14. Shenendehowa (2)	8-2
15. Pittsford (5)	8-2
16. Farmingdale (8)	10-2
17. Pine Bush (9)	9-2
18. North Rockland (1)	7-2
19. Baldwinsville (3)	8-2
20. Rush-Henrietta (5)	8-1
21. Abraham Lincoln (PSAL)	8-3
22. Baldwin (8)	8-3
23. Fayetteville-Manlius (3)	7-2
24. Hilton (5)	7-2
25. St. Joe's by the Sea (CHSFL)	8-2

A New York State

Team	W-L
1. (tie) Lawrence (8)	11-0
1. (tie) Burnt Hills-B.Lake (2)	12-1
3. Sayville (11)	11-1
4. Sweet Home (6)	12-1
5. Eastridge (5)	10-1
6. Cornwall (9)	11-1
7. Garden City (8)	11-1
8. Somers (1)	10-1
9. Harrison (1)	8-1
10. Union-Endicott (4)	9-2
11. Sleepy Hollow (1)	8-2
12. Syracuse Nottingham (3)	8-3
13. Jamesville-DeWitt (3)	9-1
14. West Seneca East (6)	9-1
15. Mount Sinai (11)	9-2
16. Xavier (CHSFL)	9-2
17. South Shore (PSAL)	10-1
18. Brewster (1)	8-1
19. Grady (PSAL)	10-1
20. Wantagh (8)	8-3
21. St. John the Baptist (CHSFL)	9-2
22. Poughkeepsie (1)	6-2
23. Grand Island (6)	7-2
24. Indian River (3)	7-2
25. Troy (2)	6-3

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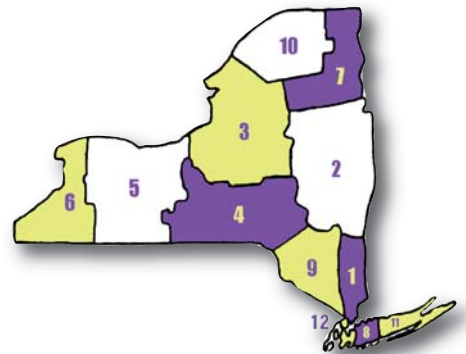
Team	W-L
1. Maine-Endwell (4)	13-0
2. Glens Falls (2)	11-2
3. Alden (6)	11-1
4. Marlboro (9)	11-1
5. Our Lady of Lourdes (1)	9-1
6. Cazenovia (3)	9-2
7. East Rochester-Gananda (5)	9-2
8. Peru (7)	9-2
9. Chittenango (3)	9-1
10. Schalmont (2)	8-2
11. Livonia (5)	7-3
12. Geneva (5)	8-1
13. Roosevelt (8)	9-3
14. Pleasantville (1)	6-3
15. Depew (6)	8-1
16. Lansingburgh (2)	8-1
17. Spackenkill (9)	7-3
18. Cheektowaga (6)	8-1
19. Malone (10)	8-2
20. Hackley (AIS)	7-1

C New York State

Team	W-L
1. Hoosick Falls (2)	13-0
2. Hornell (5)	12-1
3. Babylon (11)	12-0
4. Chenango Forks (4)	11-1
5. Waverly (4)	9-1
6. Saranac Lake (7)	10-1
7. James I. O'Neill (9)	9-3
8. Skaneateles (3)	10-1
9. Woodlands (1)	9-1
10. Cleveland Hill (6)	8-3
11. Le Roy (5)	8-2
12. Rye Neck (1)	8-1
13. Chatham (2)	9-1
14. Herkimer (3)	8-2
15. Fredonia (6)	7-3
16. Bishop Ludden (3)	7-2
17. General Brown (3)	7-1
18. Cheektowaga JFK (6)	7-2
19. Sidney (4)	6-3
20. Attica (5)	6-3

D New York State

Team	W-L
1. Randolph (6)	11-2
2. Tioga (4)	10-2
3. Tuckahoe (1)	8-3-1
4. Rensselaer (2)	10-2
5. Maple Grove (6)	9-1
6. Avon (5)	9-2
7. Sandy Creek (3)	10-1
8. Westmoreland (3)	7-3
9. Cambridge (2)	8-1
10. Batavia Notre Dame (5)	8-2
11. Red Jacket (5)	8-1
12. West Canada (3)	8-1
13. Unatego (4)	6-3
14. Clyde-Savannah (5)	7-2
15. Weedsport (3)	7-2
16. Greenwich (2)	6-2
17. Groton (4)	7-3
18. Port Byron (3)	6-2
19. Harpursville (4)	7-2
20. Perry (5)	5-3



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Section 10: St. Lawrence
Section 11: Suffolk
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CHSFL: Catholic Football

Erasmus Hall Wins PSAL Title

Curtis Samuel, who missed last season's PSAL title game with a broken leg, led Erasmus Hall to the school's first-ever PSAL title at Yankee Stadium in December.

With the Dutchmen trailing 14-7 midway through the third quarter, the junior running back broke free for a 53-yard run to set up a teammate's TD and then ran for the 2-point conversion to give Erasmus Hall the lead.

Samuel's 53-yard run helped set up Jonathan Samerson's 3-yard TD as the top-seeded Dutchmen (12-0) capped an undefeated season and exorcised the demons from last year's loss in the title game.

"It's a very exciting feeling," Samuel said. "It will last forever."

Samuel rushed for 117 yards, had three receptions for 41 yards and also returned the second-half kickoff 37 yards.

Tottenville QB Brandon Barnes capped a 10-play, 78-yard drive with a 4-yard TD run and a 2-point PAT pass to Devin Martin to put the 2nd-seeded Pirates in front, 14-7, with 4:54 left in the third quarter.

But Erasmus Hall struck back on the following possession. For the first time all year, Samuel ran the Wildcat Offense and led the Dutchmen to the game-winning score with 2:07 left in the third quarter.

The Dutchmen defense made the result stand, forcing the Pirates (10-2) into a pair of three-and-outs before

Loumell Petion broke up an attempted pass with 2:13 left in the final quarter to seal the win.

The Pirates got one final chance when they took possession on their own 40-yard line with just 40 seconds left.

Tottenville moved the ball to the Erasmus Hall 28-yard line with five seconds left but Tysene Foster, Rujel Henry and Oumar Coulibaly combined on a sack to end the game.

Flyers over Friars in CHSFL

Chaminade's senior Danny Fowler blocked a 42-yard game-winning field goal attempt by St. Anthony's as time expired to preserve a 17-16 lead and clinch Chaminade's first CHSFL title since 1998.

St. Anthony's coach Rich Reichert has built a powerhouse in South Huntington, leading the Friars to 10 of the previous 11 CHSFL titles. St. Anthony's made its 19th title game appearance in the last 20 years as it took on rival Chaminade, whose only loss of the season came on Sept. 29 at home to the Friars.

Chaminade took the lead with :47 left after senior kicker Zane Wasp booted a 33-yard field goal attempt, giving his team a one-point lead.

A safety had given St. Anthony's a 16-14 lead with 10:33 left in the fourth quarter.

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WNY Loses 457 wins in one day

By Mark Adair

Western New York football had an amazing few days on Thanksgiving weekend.

Section 6 had three teams play for NYS titles, one team win a championship, one team finish undefeated and ranked #1 in New York State... and two legendary coaches leave the sidelines.

On the same day, Alden's Dick Diminuco and Randolph's Pat Slater announced that they were leaving the sidelines taking 457 wins with them.

While Orchard Park and Sweet Home were defeated in the Carrier Dome, Randolph won the school's third NYS title when the Cardinals beat Tuckahoe 28-7 in the Class D game.

As the clock wound down on the victory, Randolph coach Pat Slater was seen on the sidelines with tears streaming down his face.

He looked at a reporter and said simply, "That's it. I'm done."

And just like that, after 34 seasons on the Randolph sidelines, Slater retired.

He says he did not know exactly why he chose that moment to walk away.

"I guess when you couldn't ask for anything better, it's the right time to leave," he said. "I had been thinking about it for a while. Finally, I thought that maybe this was the right time."

Slater, who retired from teaching in 2007, leaves with 214 wins and three NYS state championships on his resume. His teams won titles in 2005, 2009 and 2012. He was also 3-0 in NYS title games at the Carrier Dome and posted a 9-1 record in New York State tournament games. The Cardinals lost the Far West Regional game in 2007.

This past season, Slater rallied his team after a 1-2 start. The Cardinals won 10 straight games and finished

11-2.

"These kids were just something else this year," he said. "When I think back and see how far they came, they had an amazing year. That's the most fun about coaching.

When you can see the improvement in the kids from August to November."

Slater said he did not have a favorite of the three NYS titles.

"It's not fair to compare teams that way," he said. "For each of those teams it was the right place at the right time. These kids did it, just like the other two teams did."

He says that he will now spend time in Florida and Seattle, Washington.

"My son and grandson are in Seattle," he said, "So my plan is to spend more time out there."

Slater played high school football for Randolph and graduated in 1970. He returned to the school as a teacher in 1976 and was named the head coach in 1978.

"I also coached basketball, volleyball, bowling, golf and wrestling over the years," he said, "but football was my passion."

Slater also says that he will not be leaving the Randolph program entirely.

"I'll still be here during the season," he said. "I'll be around to help if they need it."

He will miss the day-to-day interaction with the players and the students at Randolph.

"I'll definitely miss the kids," he said. "This year's team was an especially great group of kids."

It was surprising to many onlookers when Slater, who is famous for showing no emotion on the sidelines, was seen crying at the end.



Photo by Mark Adair

Randolph coach Pat Slater announced his retirement moments after his Cardinals won the NYS Class D championship at the Carrier Dome.

Legendary Coaches Leave

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"It's tough when you say to yourself that this is it," he said. "I enjoyed the atmosphere. My kids were here, my family was here. Just to look around and realize that you will never coach again is tough."

Slater had actually made the decision weeks ago but, while he tried to keep his decision under wraps, the small town of Randolph is a hard place to keep a secret. Over the last few weeks of the season, word had spread that Slater was retiring.

"I really didn't want the kids to know," he said, "but I'm sure they had realized that I would be leaving. They had played so hard and with so much intensity over the last 8 weeks that I didn't want to change their focus. I didn't want them saying they had to win because it was the coach's last year."

Diminuco will leave Alden after four seasons - the most successful 4-year run in the school's history.

Diminuco took the job at Alden after retiring as Athletic Director and coach at Albion where he had coached for 31 seasons.

Diminuco leaves with 243 wins on his record, five Section 6 titles and countless league championships.

But, while he will not be back at Alden, Diminuco refused to say he had retired.

"I don't know if retired is the proper word," he said, "but I will not be back at Alden."

Diminuco says that he has no plans to coach anywhere next season but would not rule out the possibility of moving on to another program.

"I haven't talked to anyone about coaching next year," he said, "but I don't want to rule it out completely either. If the right situation came along, I might want to coach again. There is no such thing as never. I'll just take it one day at a time and see what happens."

Diminuco said that it was simply time to turn the pro-

gram over to someone else.

"When I took the job at Alden, I said I would give them two years," he said. "I gave them four and that was enough. It was time to move on and let someone else take over."

Diminuco, who was recovering from knee replacement surgery, said that his health was a non-issue.



Photo by Mark Adair

Dick Diminuco announced that he will not be back at Alden after four seasons with the Bulldogs. Diminuco led Alden to a 38-6 record and 3 Section 6 titles in his four seasons.

"I just got out of the hospital," he said. "The re-hab is tough and it's not much fun at all. They all tell me it's worth it in the end. But it played no role in my decision."

Diminuco did say that he was proud of what the Alden program had accomplished in his four years at the helm. The Bulldogs fashioned a 38-6 record in Diminuco's four seasons. Alden had also posted a record of 31-3 in the past three years and won three straight Section 6 titles.

This season, Alden advanced to the NYS semifinals before losing to eventual NYS champion Maine-Endwell.

"I think these kids accomplished a lot the past three years," Diminuco said. "It's really incredible what they accomplished. I feel that they don't get enough credit for what they accomplished. They lost three games in three years and every team they lost to went on to

win the state championship. I really feel that the program did not get the recognition that it deserves."

The Bulldogs lost to eventual champion Hornell in the Far West regionals in 2010 and 2011 before beating East Rochester in the Regionals this season.

Diminuco says that when he informed his players that he would not be back was the hardest day of his four years at Alden.

"It was a tough day," he said, "It was pretty emotional. Whoever is going to take over is going to have some great kids to work with."

Hurricane Puts Football in Back Seat

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President's
M E S S A G E
By Joe Vito



Hope this finds you all doing well.

On December 10th I had the ultimate privilege when I was given the honor to represent the NYSHSFCA at the annual American Football Coaches Association CEO Coach of the Year dinner held at the Waldorf Astoria in NYC.

This year's recipient, unanimously selected by the AFCA Board of Directors, was the NFL commissioner, Roger Goodell. It was a high school coach's dream to sit at the dais with football royalty. AFCA executive director Grant Teaff, AFCA President, RC Slocum, Ohio State coach Urban Meyer, Ithaca coach Mike Welch and NFL commissioner Roger Goodell.

I felt like a character landing in Oz. (I knew I wasn't in East Rockaway anymore!)

As I was sitting amongst all that extravagance, my thoughts went back to a few weeks ago where my neighborhood and many neighborhoods throughout the south shore of Long Island, Staten Island and NYC were ravaged by Hurricane Sandy.

It was the first time in my 30-year coaching experience that football took a backseat to much more pressing issues. My faith in humanity came out of this experience stronger than ever. As neighbors helped neighbors, total strangers came from all over the country to assist those affected by the storm. Three opposing coaches helped my family and me in our house as well!

I learned valuable lessons about the little things we take for granted like electricity, heat, and being able to drive your car and - most importantly - a roof over our heads!

My prayers continue to go out to those displaced and those still recovering.

One of my favorite quotes reads, "That which doesn't destroy us makes us stronger."

This storm certainly made many stronger, especially the Long Beach High School Football team. As we are all aware, Long Beach was one of the hardest-hit areas on Long Island. Long Beach High School was destroyed as well as the football team's equipment. With their season on the brink, Coach Scott Martin's squad received donations of equipment, uniforms and a practice facility so they were able to play in their playoff game.

As the football season ends, the holiday season begins and right around the corner is clinic season.

Please mark your calendar for the 13th Annual NYSHSFCA Clinic February 7th through the 9th at the Turning Stone Resort in Verona, NY.

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Please make plans to incorporate the banquet into your clinic plans. Make sure you nominate any worthy candidates.

Nomination forms are posted on the website NYSHSFCA.org, inside this issue of From The Sidelines, or you contact your Section representatives. Participation in this clinic and your nominations are vital to the overall improvement of the great game of football.

I wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season. I look forward to seeing you all at the Turning Stone. Best Wishes for 2013.

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4th Time's A Charm

After several years of falling short, Burnt Hills wins NYS title

By Mark Adair

Burnt Hills-Balston Lake beat Sweet Home 40-20 to win the Class A championship on Thanksgiving weekend.

It was the 4th time that Burnt Hills had played for a NYS title.

It was also the third time in 5 seasons that the Spartans had played Sweet Home in the Carrier Dome.

But it was the first time that Jacob Shell and Deshanaro Morris were able to meet in person.

Morris and Shell are two people whose stories are intimately entwined with each other and the football programs at Burnt Hills and Sweet Home.

Jacob, who is now 17 years old, is the son of Burnt Hills coach Matt Shell. Morris, who goes by the nickname of DayDay, is a former star player for Sweet Home.

The two schools - along with Jacob and DayDay - will forever be linked by triumph, tragedy, heartbreak and football.

"Sweet Home has some really class people in their program," Shell said. "Athletic Director Chris DeMarco and coach John Faller are just two class human beings. Sweet Home is lucky to have people like that."

The first time that Sweet Home and Burnt Hills met for the Class A title, in 2008, Jacob Shell missed the game. He was in ICU in a Boston Hospital undergoing the initial treatments for Neuroblastoma, a form of cancer that usually attacks young children.

"He had been sick for a while," Shell said. "But then he started having severe abdominal pain. We knew we had to get a doctor to look at it."

Specialists were called and a number of medical tests



Photo by Mark Adair

Burnt Hills-Balston Lake players celebrate their first NYS championship. The Spartans beat Sweet Home 40-20 to win the Class A title.

were run.

"They ran a whole bunch of different tests," Shell said. "Finally, we got the answer."

Jacob's cancer was Stage 4, which meant that the cancer had already spread to distant lymph nodes, bone, bone marrow, liver, skin or other organs.

"It was the worst news we could hope for," Shell said. "It really smashed me in the face."

As the Burnt Hills squad prepared to face Sweet Home, Shell tried to juggle his football team and his family's need.

"I would be in Boston with my wife and Jacob," Shell said. "I would come back on Thursday for one day of practice and then go back to Boston. My assistants handled everything else. They were fantastic."

While the Shell family was in Boston, they received a gift basket from the Sweet Home football program.

"There were some footballs and a Sweet

Home T-Shirt for Jacob," Shell said. "My wife and I were floored. These people didn't even know Jacob."

Sweet Home beat Burnt Hills 35-28 that season to win the title. Morris was a star as he rushed for 98 yards and led the defense with a team-high 10 tackles, an interception and a QB sack.

"He was a stud," Shell said. "He was just a fantastic player. He dominated us."

Within weeks of that game, while Jacob Shell still battled his cancer, Sweet Home experienced its own devastation when Morris was paralyzed from the waist down in a car

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accident.

"It was awful to hear that news," Shell said. "I don't have a lot of words to describe how I felt when I heard that. It was just awful."

In the spring of 2009, Sweet Home began to hold fund-raisers for both Jacob and DayDay.

"They had an Orange chain," Shell said, "where everyone buys a link to put in the chain. They sold Shellstrong T-shirts. It was amazing. It was very similar to what Burnt Hills did for us and the Sweet Home community didn't know Jacob. To adopt him as one of their own really struck us pretty deep."

That fall, the teams met again in the state championship game.

"Jacob wasn't there," Shell said. "He was in the hospital getting treatments. DayDay was there in a wheelchair but he held a Burnt Hills T-shirt for Jacob. To have to play a game like that was really difficult for everybody. Both teams were on a mission and it was a very emotional game."

Sweet Home beat Burnt Hills again, this time 34-9.

The next two seasons, both Sweet Home and Burnt Hills won their Sectional titles but neither could claim the top prize. Sweet Home lost to Aquinas twice in the Far West Regionals. Burnt Hills lost in the semifinals to Harrison in 2010 and lost in the state title game to Maine-Endwell in 2011.

But this season, both teams made it back to the Dome.

And, before the game, Jacob was able to meet DayDay and shake his hand. The pair seemed to enjoy finally meeting each other - if they were somewhat unsure

of what to do with all the photographers snapping away.

The victory by Burnt Hills, an emphatic win, finally stamped the Spartans as one of the top programs in New York State.

Burnt Hills coach Matt Shell said that he wondered if his program would ever win a state title after coming so close in recent years.

"When you come up short, you may never get back for another chance," Shell said. "It's so hard to get there in the first place. To be get back four times before you finally win one shows what a great work ethic these kids had."

Section 2 titles, including the last five. In Shell's 11 years, Burnt Hills has

failed to win at least 10 games only twice. The Spartans lost the Section 2 title game in 2007 and finished 8-2. In 2002, his second season with the program, the Spartans finished 3-6.

And Shell says that while he is thrilled to finally win a NYS title, he didn't need a championship to prove anything.

"I love the competition on



Photo by Mark Adair

DayDay Morris & Jacob Shell.

In the past 4 seasons, Shells teams have fashioned a record of 46-5 but had suffered heartbreak at the end.

"It was tough," Shell said. "We all wanted to win one so bad but, so does the other team. We were beaten by better teams in each of those games. I believe we were good enough to win a title each year, but, on that particular day, the other team played better. It's that simple."

Shell just finished his 11th season as the head coach at Burnt Hills, a school that sits in Section 2, about a 30 minute-drive north of Albany.

He has led Burnt Hills to six

the field," he said. "Nothing is more than important than Game Day. But when the game is over put your arms around the kids and get back to real life. Sports is a good escape. You get to focus on something that you want to get real bad. But when the game is over, it's about caring for each other and about being a good person."

Jacob is now cancer-free but, to this day, he still cheers for Sweet Home... when they are not playing the Spartans, that is.

"Every doctor's appointment he goes to, he'll wear a Burnt Hills shirt or a Sweet Home shirt," Shell said. "He wears a Sweet Home shirt all the time."

Shell says that, while the trials for the Burnt Hills community and the Sweet Home program were different, the feelings of hope for each other are the same on both sides.

"You just have to hold on to hope," he said. "I know we are all hoping that DayDay can walk again. We heard that he walked across the stage to get his diploma. You just have to believe that good things are a day away. Good things and even great things can happen."

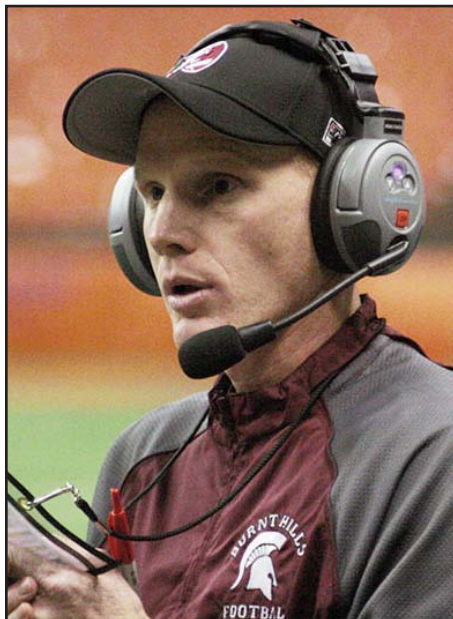


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Burnt Hills coach Matt Shell.

NEW YORK STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

at Syracuse University

Class AA: New Rochelle 34, Orchard Park 6

New Rochelle took control early and beat defending state champion Orchard Park 34-6 in the Class AA title game. New Rochelle scored twice in the first quarter and twice more in the second to take a 28-0 lead at the half.

"This was our best game of the season," Huguenots senior Joe Clarke said. "And it couldn't have come at a better time."

New Rochelle rushed for 244 yards as they controlled the game on the ground. The Huguenots held Orchard Park to 132 yards rushing, 109 on scrambles by QB Ben Holmes.

"We played well on offense, on defense and on special

teams," New Rochelle coach Lou DiRienzo said. "It was a total team victory and totally unexpected. I was just praying for a competitive game. Fortunately my kids played well and we are state champs."

Joe Forest opened the scoring with a 1-yard TD. Joe Clarke's PAT gave New Rochelle a 7-0 lead.

Jason Ceneus then scored on a 40-yard TD pass from QB Kahlil Edney.

Edney had a big day as he completed 6 of 10 passes for 93 yards and two TDs. The senior also carried seven times for 91 yards and two scores. He gave New Rochelle a 19-0 lead in the 2nd quarter when he broke away for a 47-yard TD run. He then ran in a 2-point PAT for a 21-0 lead.

With just 1:47 left in the first half, Edney hit Clarke with a 9-yard TD pass. Clarke's PAT gave New Rochelle a 28-0 lead at the break.

Ceneus finished the night with 75 yards rushing and a TD on 12 carries. Jon Forrest ran 16 times for 54 yards.

Clarke caught 2 passes for 30 yards and a TD. He also kicked a pair of PATs.

Shayne Forbes had a huge day on defense as he made a team-high 11 tackles, 10 initial hits. He also made 5 tackles-for-loss, including 3 QB sacks.

Terrance Holden made 5 tackles, including a QB sack. Gavin Harley made 4 tackles while Ray Ganley chipped in with 3 tackles and a sack. Ganley also blocked a PAT.

New Rochelle finished the season with a 11-1 record. The Huguenots also end the year ranked #1 in Class AA with Buffalo-area Canisius.

Orchard Park ended the year at 11-2.



Photo by Mark Adair

New Rochelle QB Kahlil Edney ran for 91 yards and 2 TDs and also passed for 93 yards and a TD.

Class B: Maine-Endwell 42, Glens Falls 12

Maine-Endwell dropped down in class this season and won a second straight NYS title as the Spartans beat Glens Falls 42-12 in the Carrier Dome.

Maine-Endwell, which won the NYS championship in Class A in 2011, steadily pulled away from a slim 7-6 lead in the 2nd quarter.

Maine-Endwell QB Kyle Gallagher led a punishing running attack as he rushed for 151 yards and 2 TDs on just 10 carries. Gallagher opened the scoring early in the first quarter when he ran 55 yards for a TD.

Glens Falls battled back and stiffened their defense. The Indians forced a pair of punts before mounting a drive early in the second quarter.

QB Cam Girard tossed a 15-yard TD pass to Zach Infield to pull Glens Falls within 7-6.

Maine-Endwell answered back with a 6-yard TD run by Gallagher on the following possession.

The Spartans took a 21-6 lead when Justin Jacoby broke away for a 35-yard TD run with 2:11 left in the second quarter.

Glens Falls scored early in the third quarter when Girard tossed an 18-yard TD pass to Mike Lanior. The Indians trailed just 21-12.

Maine-Endwell put the game away with three TDs in the final quarter.

Jacoby scored TDs on runs of 26 and 7 yards and ended the day with 144 yards and 3 TDs on 12 carries.

Luis Uceta rushed for 78 yards on 13 carries and ran for a 47-yard TD in the 4th quarter.

Maine-Endwell tried just 2 passes all game long. Kyle Gallagher hit Adam Gallagher with a 49-yard pass for the only completion.

Girard had a great day in a losing cause for Glens Falls. He completed 15 of 19 passes for 186 yards and 2 TDs. Joe McMahon rushed 13 times for 65 yards.

Maine-Endwell's Dave Zielewicz led the defense as he made 9 tackles, 1 for lost yardage. Jake Haddock made 6 tackles, including 3 for lost yardage.

Nick Sorrenti rushed for 18 yards, made 3 tackles and also returned an interception 25 yards.

The Spartans now have a 25-game winning streak and ended the season as the top ranked team in Class B. Glens Falls finished the season 11-2.



Photo by Mark Adair

Maine-Endwell RB Justin Jacoby rushed for 144 yards and 3 TDs on just 12 carries.

NEW YORK STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

at Syracuse University

Class C: Hoosick Falls 34, Hornell 21

Hoosick Falls fell behind 7-0 in the first quarter but dominated the rest of the way to beat Hornell 34-21 in the class C championship.

Just 21 seconds into the game, Hornell's Luke Morgan broke free for a 74-yard TD run to give the Red Raiders a 7-0 lead but Hoosick Falls struck back quickly.

On the ensuing possession, Hoosick Falls drive 65 yards on 8 plays and tied the game at 7-7 with just 2:32 played in the first quarter. Hoosick Falls QB Billy Pine tossed a 6-yard TD pass to Randy Tutunjian to cap the drive while Eric Kaufman's PAT tied the score.

Pine rushed 17 times for 169 yards and one TD while Brad Burns rushed 23 times for 144 yards and a pair of scores as the Panthers piled up 398 yards of total offense.

Pine snuck in for a 1-yard TD late in the first quarter to give Hoosick Falls a 14-7 lead.

Early in the 2nd quarter, Pine hit Josh Brogue with a 22-yard TD pass to give the Panthers a 21-7 lead.

Burns broke away for a 35-yard TD run to give the Panthers a 27-7 lead at the half.

Brogue caught 2 passes for 52 yards.

Pine also led the Hoosick Falls defense with 7 tackles, including 2 for lost yardage. Sophomore Mark Hackett also made 7 tackles. Brandon Hodges made 5 tackles, including 3 tackles for lost yardage, 2 of them QB sacks. Levi Brewster intercepted 2 passes.

Hornell mounted a rally in the third quarter as Richie Harkenrider tossed a 45-yard scoring pass to Brendan Buisch to pull Hornell within 27-14.

But just over a minute later, Burns burst up the middle for a 59-yard TD run that restored the Panthers 20-point lead.

Hoosick Falls ended Hornell's 51-game winning streak. The Raiders had won the last three New York State title's in Class B before dropping down to Class C for the 2012 season.

Hoosick Falls ended the season with a 13-0 record while Hornell finished 12-1.

Hoosick Falls is now 45-3 over the past four seasons. The Panthers lost 28-27 in the 2009 state semifinals, 15-12 (in overtime) in the 2010 NYS Regionals and 13-12 in the Class C semifinals.



Photo by Mark Adair

Hoosick Falls QB Billy Pine rushed for 169 yards and a TD and also passed for 85 yards and 2 TDs.

Class D: Randolph 28, Tuckahoe 7

Randolph ran for 313 yards on its way to claiming the Class D championship with a 28-7 win over Tuckahoe at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse.

Randolph coach Pat Slater, who won his third NYS championship, announced his retirement within moments of the game's end.

"I guess when you couldn't ask for anything better, it's the right time to leave," he said. "I had been thinking about it for a while. Finally, I thought that maybe this was the right time."

Slater also led Randolph teams to NYS titles in 2005 and 2009.

The Cardinals scored twice in the first quarter to take a 14-0 lead.

Chris Doubek broke away for a 39-yard TD run for a 6-0 lead. A few minutes later, Jordan Dowiasz broke around the end for a 43-yard TD run. QB Mitch Maycock ran in for the 2-point PAT and a 14-0 lead.

Tuckahoe responded early in the second quarter as they drove 44 yards on 6 plays for a TD to pull within 14-7. Nick Reisman capped the drive with a 4-yard TD run.

Neither team

scored and Randolph led 14-7 at the half.

With 5 minutes left in the third quarter, a Tuckahoe punt pinned Randolph back on their own 10-yard line. The Cardinals proceeded to drive 90 yards for a TD, using 14 plays and more than 7 minutes of the clock.

Dowiasz capped the drive on the first play of the 4th quarter when he bulled 2 yards into the end zone.

Jared Pitchford sealed the win when he ran 6 yards for a TD to give the Cardinals a 28-7 lead with just 6:22 left in the game.

Dowiasz finished the game with 145 yards and 2 TDs on 18 carries. Doubek ran 12 times for 101 yards.

Nick Hettenbaugh led the Randolph defense with 11 tackles, 9 initial hits. Lucas Brown made 6 tackles, 2 for lost yardage, while Cody Oldro made 6 tackles

Pitchford returned an interception 21 yards.

Randolph finished the season 11-2 while Tuckahoe finished 8-3-1.

The Cardinals had started the season 1-2 before reeling off 10 straight victories. Randolph beat top-ranked Tioga 7-6 in the NYS semifinals.



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Randolph RB Jordan Dowiasz rushed for 145 yards and 2 TDs on 18 carries.

LONG ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

at Stony Brook University • at Hofstra

Class I: William Floyd 31, Farmingdale 14

William Floyd continued to assert its dominance over Long Island's Class I, capturing its third straight title with a 31-14 victory over Nassau County's Farmingdale at Hofstra's Shuart Stadium.

William Floyd (10-2) senior quarterback A.J. Otranto, a 3-year varsity starter ran for 2 TDs and threw for 2 more in his final game for the Colonials.

"Under pressure I want the ball," said Otranto, who was honored with the Boomer Esiason Award this year as the top quarterback in Suffolk County. "I'm the guy who wants to score and I can handle that situation pretty well. I owe it all to my line and to my backs, and the whole team for getting us here and winning this game."

William Floyd coach Paul Longo said that Otranto came through whenever the Colonials needed him.

"Whenever he had to make a big throw, he's done it," he said. "There were times we relied on his arm."

William Floyd has now won five Long Island crowns in 9 appearances since 2001. Farmingdale finished 10-2.

Otranto closed the second quarter with a 49-yard TD pass to Vantrell

Nash to put Floyd ahead, 14-7, at halftime. He was 6-for-10 passing for 84 yards and carried 11 times for 128 yards.

Farmingdale turned the ball over five times between three fumbles and two interceptions. After one turnover, Otranto scored on a 12-yard rush on the next series. A PAT made the score 21-7. Otranto scored again on an 11-yard TD run with 5:38 left in the third quarter.

Even in the final seconds Otranto had the ball, rushing 59 yards to Farmingdale's 12 yard line before taking a knee on the final two plays to finish his magnificent career.

"I love Floyd football," he said. "It's why I woke up every day. I wanted to come out here every day to put in the hard work. The past four years have been the best four years of my life thanks to Floyd football."

Otranto had help from his running back Chris Faison, who added 87 yards on 15 carries.

Farmingdale's defensive leader was Kevin Petit-Frere who had 9.5 tackles and Curtis Jenkins, who had 17 carries for 113 yards and 1 touchdown in the losing effort.

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William Floyd coach Paul Longo has led his team to 5 Long Island titles since 2001.

Class II: Garden City 29, Riverhead 16

Back in September, Garden City coach Tom Flatley wasn't sure what type of team he would have. After graduating 21 seniors from the 2011 championship team, another Long Island title never entered his thoughts.

Garden City won the Long Island Class II title after beating Riverhead, 29-16 at Stony Brook's LaValle Stadium.

The Trojans, who won their 5th Long Island title and first since 2009, scored 22 unanswered points in the second half. They were led by QB Brett Stewart's four total touchdowns and combined 337 yards of offense (199 passing and 138 rushing) and Ed Blatz caught 7 passes for 140 yards and 2 TDs.

"It was amazing. I've never felt this way before and I'm hoping to feel this way again next year," said Stewart. "The motivation that helped us is that we were going to be a 4-4 team. That stuck in our heads the whole season and now here we are, hoisting the Long Island championship trophy."

The title game marked the third post-season in which Garden City (11-1) trailed at the half. Riverhead had a 16-7 advantage.

A 23-yard touchdown pass from Stewart to Blatz put Garden City in striking distance at 16-14 with 9:02 remaining in the third quarter.

Stewart later scored on a 3-yard run stemming from a bootleg to put Garden City ahead. The Trojans faked the kick and converted for two points to go up, 22-16.

Riverhead, the Suffolk County Division II champions, finished the season 9-3 and had a strong performance from quarterback Ryan Bitzer, who was 9-for-19 with 104 passing yards and one TD.

The Blue Waves were led all season by TB Jeremiah Cheatom who rushed for 224 yards, 198 in the first half.

"We started keeping contain on him better," Garden City LB Scott D'Antonio told Newsday. "We stayed disciplined, so even if he was breaking tackles, he wouldn't get far."

"We have the best coaching staff," said Garden City senior Justin Gunderling. "Tom Flatley took us to where we are. We were doubted. We weren't supposed to be in the Nassau County final and we won it. Now we won this and it's the best feeling in the world."

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Garden City coach Tom Flatley led the Trojans to the Long Island title in 2012.

LONG ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

at Stony Brook University • at Hofstra

Class III: Lawrence 21, Sayville 20

In a rematch of the highest scoring game in New York State football history, Sayville and Lawrence battled in the Class III Long Island championship game for the second straight season.

After Sayville beat Lawrence 78-61 in the 2011 title game, many people expected another shootout.

However, the game turned out to be a defensive showdown and went to a different victor this year as Lawrence beat Sayville, 21-20, at Hofstra University in early December. In fact, the game-winning play came from a defensive player.

Lawrence trailed 20-14 with just 5:25 left in the game when Eddie Robinson returned an interception 30 yards for a TD to tie the score. Mike Fragner's PAT kick was the game-winning point.

Lawrence trailed 20-7 at the half.

"We went in the locker room and talked about how hard we worked all year," Robinson said. "We didn't come here to this game to lose again. We came out here, worked hard, and got the W."

Lawrence (12-0) finished the year as the highest scoring team in Long Island history. Sayville, finished 11-1 and had a 23-game winning streak snapped.

For two teams that can flash offensive brilliance at any moment, the defenses stood out in the title game.

Sayville recorded eight sacks against Lawrence, who had allowed just six the entire season entering the game.

Lawrence QB Joe Capobianco, who set a handful of Long Island records in last year's title game, completed 18 of 24 passes, throwing for 209 yards and one TD.

Trailing 20-7, Capobianco led Lawrence downfield on the opening drive of the second half. He scored a TD on a 5-yard run to close the gap to 20-14.

The defenses then took over, setting the stage for Robinson's game-winning interception.

Sayville was also hampered by injuries. Offensive studs John Haggart and Zach Sirico both sustained injuries that kept them sidelined at different points of the contest.

Haggart, one of the top running backs on Long Island, was not in on Sayville's final drive when the Golden Flashes had the ball with 5:20 left in the game.

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Lawrence QB Joe Capobianco completed 18 of 24 passes for 209 yards and a TD.

Class IV: Babylon 48, Roosevelt 21

On Long Island, Class IV teams often get overlooked. But by the end of the 2012 season it was impossible to overlook the top team in Suffolk County as voted on by the coaches.

Babylon High School finished with its fifth undefeated season in school history after beating Roosevelt, 48-18, in the Class IV Long Island championship at Stony Brook's LaValle Stadium and was awarded the Rutgers Trophy presented to the top football team in Suffolk County.

Babylon junior running back Eric Schweitzer tied a Long Island record with six rushing touchdowns in the championship game. He praised his offensive line which included John Dertinger, Joe Cosby, Jeann Cruz, Matt Pinto and Andrew Watson.

"I have to give credit to the line," Schweitzer said. "They gave me a hole and I ran right through it. I had the game of my life. I played as hard as I could."

Schweitzer finished with 126 yards on 18 carries.

All year it was Schweitzer, his offensive line, and fellow juniors Jack Carlock and Nick Santorelli who made it happen offensively. Opponents of Babylon need to take note: the three stars from the

Babylon club are back again in 2013.

Santorelli, who finished with 12 carries and 136 yards, had a 67-yard TD run in the title game and Schweitzer scored three of his TDs, on short yardage bursts, on three consecutive series.

At the annual Suffolk County Football Coaches Association awards dinner, Babylon coach Rick Punzone was honored with the Fred Fusaro Coaches Award, presented to the top coach in the county as voted on by his peers.

His boys collected the Rutgers Trophy, the school's first, moments later.

"There's no better feeling," Schweitzer said. "We worked so hard for it and thankfully it paid off. We won the LIC."

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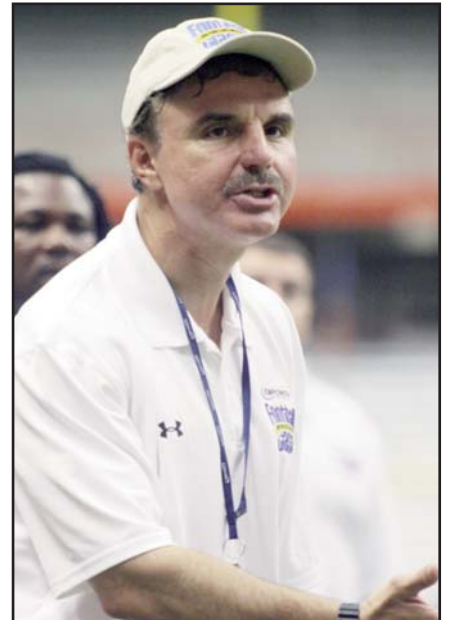


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Roosevelt coach Joe Vito saw his team fall in the Long Island title game for the 2nd straight year.

New York State Playoff Results

1998

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Liverpool 38, Horseheads 14
Fairport 24, Orchard Park 19
Troy 15, Monroe-Woodbury 13
Carmel (Bye)

Semifinals

Fairport 41, Liverpool 14
Troy 28, Carmel 14

Championship

Troy 26, Fairport 9

Class A

Quarterfinals

Fayette.-Manlius 28, Johnson City 27
Aquinas 28, Clarence 21 (ot)
Yorktown 35, Port Jervis 31
Queensbury 60, Watertown 35

Semifinals

Aquinas 22, Fayetteville-Manlius 12
Queensbury 39, Yorktown 27

Championship

Aquinas 33, Queensbury 16

Class B

First Round

Peru 32, Ogdensburg FA 6

Quarterfinals

Maine-Endwell 34, Syracuse CBA 19
Lackawanna 42, Hornell 22
Harrison 47, Rondout Valley 6
Ravena 52, Peru 27

Semifinals

Harrison 34, Ravena 27
Lackawanna 6, Maine-Endwell 0

Championship

Lackawanna 22, Harrison 18

Class C

Quarterfinals

Elmira Notre Dame 41, Lowville 3
LeRoy 28, Salamanca 16
Edgemont 55, Highland 12
Saranac Lake 39, Voorheesville 6

Semifinals

Elmira Notre Dame 16, LeRoy 15
Edgemont 41, Saranac Lake 25

Championship

Edgemont 28, Elmira ND 27 (ot)

Class D

Quarterfinals

Dolgeville 28, Hancock 13
Maple Grove 35, Red Jacket 20
Delaware Valley 40, Valhalla 14
Lake George 14, Moriah 7

Semifinals

Maple Grove 20, Dolgeville 19
Lake George 30, Delaware Valley 26

Championship

Maple Grove 39, Lake George 6

1999

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Webster 39, Lancaster 13
Troy 7, North Rockland 3
Henninger 49, Union-Endicott 13
Newburgh (Bye)

Semifinals

Webster 31, Henninger 7
Troy 31, Newburgh Free 14

Championship

Webster 35, Troy 18

Class A

Quarterfinals

Canandaigua 21, Pioneer 6
Brewster 20, Minnisink Valley 13
Chittenango 24, Corning West 14
Amsterdam 41, Indian River 0

Semifinals

Canandaigua 47, Chittenango 12
Brewster 19, Amsterdam 14

Championship

Canandaigua 17, Brewster 14

Class B

First Round

Peru 47, Ogdensburg FA 7

Quarterfinals

Lackawanna 28, Hornell 15
Harrison 54, Red Hook 21
Peru 35, Fonda-Fultonville 26
Syracuse CBA 55, Norwich 22

Semifinals

Lackawanna 28, Syracuse CBA 16
Harrison 48, Peru 17

Championship

Harrison 28, Lackawanna 26

Class C

First Round

AuSable Valley 15, Gouverneur 13

Quarterfinals

Salamanca 22, LeRoy 13
Delhi 20, Utica Notre Dame 9
Edgemont 44, Liberty 7
Mechanicville 31, AuSable Valley 6

Semifinals

Salamanca 16, Delhi 12
Edgemont 37, Mechanicville 26

Championship

Edgemont 32, Salamanca 20

Class D

Quarterfinals

Clymer 13, Batavia Notre Dame 12
Hamilton 34, Oxford 14
Tuckahoe 24, Tri-Valley 19
Cambridge 36, Moriah 8

Semifinals

Clymer 28, Hamilton 20
Cambridge 42, Tuckahoe 26

Championship

Cambridge 28, Clymer 0

2000

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Henninger 21, Union-Endicott 14
Jamestown 16, Webster 14
New Rochelle 42, Monroe-Woodbury 12
Troy (Bye)

Semifinals

New Rochelle 24, Troy 22
Jamestown 34, Henninger 12

Championship

Jamestown 33, New Rochelle 7

Class A

Quarterfinals

Fulton 41, Elmira Free Academy 6
Victor 22, Pioneer 12
Troy LaSalle 40, Massena 13
Nyack 19, Warwick Valley 0

Semifinals

Fulton 48, Victor 19
Nyack 35, Troy LaSalle 0

Championship

Nyack 34, Fulton 20

Class B

First Round

Peru 45, Ogdensburg FA 12

Quarterfinals

Syr. CBA 35, Susquehanna Valley 20
Lackawanna 37, Hornell 20
Hudson Falls 34, Peru 16
Rondout Valley 28, Somers 14

Semifinals

Rondout Valley 41, Hudson Falls 15
Lackawanna 19, Syracuse CBA 7

Championship

Rondout Valley 21, Lackawanna 0

Class C

First Round

Gouverneur 22, AuSable Valley 21

Quarterfinals

Edgemont 62, Sullivan West 15
Mechanicville 52, Gouverneur 8
Walton 40, Bishop Ludden 14
Cal-Mum 14, Cleveland Hill 6

Semifinals

Edgemont 48, Mechanicville 13
Walton 34, Cal-Mum 24

Championship

Edgemont 37, Walton 20

Class D

Quarterfinals

Haldane 33, Millbrook 18
Fort Edward 24, Moriah 22
Dolgeville 25, Oxford 20
Clymer 50, Red Jacket 8

Semifinals

Dolgeville 14, Clymer 6
Fort Edward 28, Haldane 6

Championship

Dolgeville 55, Fort Edward 3

2001

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Bethlehem 32, Newburgh FA 6
Fayetteville-Manlius 41, Vestal 13
Webster 13, Orchard Park 7
North Rockland (Bye)

Semifinals

North Rockland 27, Bethlehem 7
Webster 44, Fayette-Manlius 18

Championship

Webster 32, North Rockland 14

Class A

Quarterfinals

Horace Greeley 43, Port Jervis 6
Amsterdam 38, Massena 12
Syracuse CBA 35, Elmira FA 0
Aquinas 28, Pioneer 0

Semifinals

Horace Greeley 35, Amsterdam 6
Aquinas 37, Syracuse CBA 34

Championship

Aquinas 22, Horace Greeley 15

Class B

First Round

Peru 21, Gouverneur 6

Quarterfinals

Harrison 20, Red Hook 18
Peru 35, Hudson 0
Chenango Forks 27, Cazenovia 7
Bath 24, Olean 22

Semifinals

Peru 36, Harrison 29
Chenango Forks 7, Bath 0 (ot)

Championship

Peru 14, Chenango Forks 7

Class C

Quarterfinals

Edgemont 41, James O'Neill 14
Cambridge 49, AuSable Valley 7
Delhi 21, Weedsport 14
Salamanca 28, LeRoy 23

Semifinals

Cambridge 14, Edgemont 8
Delhi 28, Salamanca 8

Championship

Delhi 39, Cambridge 21

Class D

Quarterfinals

Dobbs Ferry 42, Millbrook 14
Lake George 38, Moriah 6
Onondaga 20, Newfield 14
Clymer 42, Clyde-Savannah 21

Semifinals

Dobbs Ferry 26, Lake George 13
Onondaga 33, Clymer 26

Championship

Onondaga 35, Dobbs Ferry 7

New York State Playoff Results

2002

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Shenendehowa 42, North Rockland 0
Vestal 14, Syracuse Corcoran 7
Webster Schroeder 27, N. Tonawanda 0
Newburgh FA (Bye)

Semifinals

Webster Schroeder 48, Vestal 7
Shenendehowa 42, Newburgh FA 0

Championship

Webster Schroeder 28, Shenendehowa 0

Class A

Quarterfinals

Nyack 34, Rondout Valley 0
Amsterdam 34, Canton 14
Elmira FA 42, Syracuse CBA 24
Aquinas 56, Sweet Home 27

Semifinals

Aquinas 42, Elmira FA 14
Nyack 34, Amsterdam 10

Championship

Aquinas 19, Nyack 15

Class B

First Round

Peru 52, Massena 6

Quarterfinals

Harrison 41, New Paltz 8
Lansingburgh 22, Peru 18
Chenango Forks 35, Solvay 21
Bath 28, Olean 6

Semifinals

Chenango Forks 28, Bath 14
Harrison 31, Lansingburgh 21

Championship

Harrison 22, Chenango Forks 21

Class C

Quarterfinals

Onondaga 38, Lansing 0
LeRoy 29, Gowanda 6
Cambridge 28, Tupper Lake 7
Briarcliff (Bye)

Semifinals

Onondaga 13, LeRoy 10
Briarcliff 10, Cambridge 7

Championship

Onondaga 35, Briarcliff 6

Class D

Quarterfinals

Dolgeville 35, Newfield 0
Clymer 28, Lyons 6
Dobbs Ferry 15, Livingston Manor 14
Salem 25, Seton Catholic 0

Semifinals

Dobbs Ferry 28, Salem 0
Dolgeville 29, Clymer 22

Championship

Dobbs Ferry 38, Dolgeville 35

2003

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Corcoran 34, Union-Endicott 7
New Rochelle 24, Newburgh FA 12
Webster Schroeder 32, Lockport 12
Shenendehowa (Bye)

Semifinals

Webster Schroeder 36, Corcoran 29
New Rochelle 14, Shenendehowa 7

Championship

New Rochelle 32, Webster 7

Class A

First Round

Massena 20, Potsdam 14

Quarterfinals

Nyack 41, Cornwall 7
Amsterdam 39, Massena 20
Victor 31, Grand Island 28
Corning East 46, Camden 15

Semifinals

Corning East 31, Victor 26
Nyack 28, Amsterdam 11

Championship

Nyack 43, Corning East 0

Class B

First Round

Peru 42, Ogdensburg 15

Quarterfinals

Rye 34, James O'Neill 7
Chenango Forks 12, Westhill 7
Peru 43, Lansingburgh 42 (ot)
Eden 21, Bath 0

Semifinals

Chenango Forks 19, Eden 9
Rye 35, Peru 22

Championship

Chenango Forks 16, Rye 0

Class C

First Round

Tupper Lake 34, AuSable Valley 0

Quarterfinals

Hoosick Falls 21, Tupper Lake 14
General Brown 28, Unatego 20
Dobbs Ferry 42, Tri-Valley 0
Caledonia-Mumford 12, Portville 7

Semifinals

Cal-Mum 48, General Brown 7
Hoosick Falls 14, Dobbs Ferry 6

Championship

Cal-Mum 30, Hoosick Falls 26

Class D

First Round

Seton Catholic 35, Moriah 14

Quarterfinals

Cambridge 19, Seton Catholic 6
Lyons 32, Randolph 30
Onondaga 56, Deposit 16
Tuckahoe 48, Chester 6

Semifinals

Onondaga 29, Lyons 22
Cambridge 35, Tuckahoe 20

Championship

Onondaga 41, Cambridge 21

2004

Class AA

Quarterfinals

Monroe-Woodbury 42, Saratoga 7
Syracuse CBA 48, Binghamton 16
Webster Thomas 28, Orchard Park 7
New Rochelle (Bye)

Semifinals

New Rochelle 41, Monroe-Wood. 0
Syracuse CBA 44, Webster Thom. 14

Championship

Syracuse CBA 41, New Rochelle 35

Class A

Quarterfinals

Walkill 21, Nyack 18
Amsterdam 25, Indian River 19
Maine-Endwell 27, Whitesboro 20
Iroquois 67, Eastringe 48

Semifinals

Walkill 21, Amsterdam 18
Maine-Endwell 33, Iroquois 28

Championship

Maine-Endwell 39, Walkill 36

Class B

First Round

Peru 21, Saranac Lake 17

Quarterfinals

Rye 14, Sullivan West 6
Ravena-C-S 43, Peru 7
Chenango Forks 48, Westhill 7
Hornell 12, Southwestern 7

Semifinals

Rye 21, Ravena C-S 14
Chenango Forks 27, Hornell 7

Championship

Chenango Forks 48, Rye 0

Class C

First Round

AuSable Valley vs. Ticonderoga

Quarterfinals

Dobbs Ferry 47, Tri-Valley 0
Schuylerville 34, AuSable Valley 18
Walton 40, General Brown 15
LeRoy 14, Falconer 7

Semifinals

Dobbs Ferry 46, Schuylerville 8
LeRoy 25, Walton 14

Championship

Dobbs Ferry 14, LeRoy 6

Class D

Quarterfinals

Tuckahoe 14, Chester 0
Weedsport 48, Hancock 13
Oakfield-Alabama 20, Ellicottville 0
Warrensburg 28, Plattsburg Seton 14

Semifinals

Tuckahoe 47, Warrensburg 6
Weedsport 28, Oakfield-Alabama 16

Championship

Weedsport 22, Tuckahoe 21

2005

Class AA

Quarterfinals

North Rockland 22, LaSalle 6
Monroe-Woodbury (Bye)
Syr. CBA 24, Union-Endicott 13
Webster Thom 39, Orchard Park 14

Semifinals

Monroe-Woodbury 28, N.Rockland 0
Webster Thomas 34, Syr. CBA 21

Championship

Monroe-Woodbury 32, Webster 10

Class A

Quarterfinals

Harrison 40, Cornwall 7
Amsterdam 33, Indian River 8
Corning East 35, Whitesboro 14
Geneva 34, Grand Island 16

Semifinals

Amsterdam 20, Harrison 10
Geneva 26, Corning East 14

Championship

Amsterdam 35, Geneva 14

Class B

Quarterfinals

Rye 41, Burke Catholic 13
Lansingburgh 57, Beekmantown 16
Chenango Forks 34, Homer 7
Hornell 14, Lackawanna 0

Semifinals

Rye 41, Lansingburgh 8
Chenango Forks 21, Hornell 20

Championship

Rye 28, Chenango Forks 7

Class C

Quarterfinals

Dobbs Ferry 26, Sullivan west 0
Schuylerville 33, AuSable Valley 8
Marcus Whitman 13, Silver Crk 12
Sidney 41, General Brown 13

Semifinals

Dobbs Ferry 35, Schuylerville 0
Sidney 28, Marcus Whitman 22

Championship

Sidney 48, Dobbs Ferry 21

Class D

Quarterfinals

Tuckahoe 40, Eldred 7
Cambridge 27, Ticonderoga 20
Deposit 24, Watertown IHC 14
Randolph 42, Elba 7

Semifinals

Cambridge 28, Tuckahoe 8
Randolph 28, Deposit 0

Championship

Randolph 35, Cambridge 6

New York State Playoff Results 2006

Quarterfinals

Marshall 32, Orchard Park 7
Auburn 39, Union-Endicott 7
Mon-Wood. 14, New Rochelle 7
Albany C BA (Bye)

AA

Semifinals

Mon-Woodbury 21, Albany CBA 0
Auburn 20, Marshall 18

Championship

Auburn 27, Mon-Woodbury 26 ot

Championship: Auburn 27, Monroe-Woodbury 26

Darnell Murphy's 20-yard TD pass and a penalty against Monroe-Woodbury on the extra point try gave a three-loss Auburn team the victory before the first Carrier Dome crowd to extend to behind the end zones.

Monroe-Woodbury scored on its OT possession when Dave Landesberg ran in from two yards out, but the extra-point kick failed. Murphy then connected with Jeff Richardson in the end zone on the first play of Auburn's possession. Matt Hoey missed the extra point but a roughing the kicker penalty gave him a second chance. He made the kick to win the game.

Monroe-Woodbury	7	6	0	7	6	26
Auburn	7	7	0	6	7	27



Quarterfinals

Corning East 10, ES-Minoa 3
Cornwall 13, Harrison 10
Indian River 30, Burnt Hills 7
Aquinas 7, Iroquois 0

A

Semifinals

Corning East 23, Aquinas 0
Cornwall 34, Indian River 6

Championship

Corning East 27, Cornwall 14

Championship: Corning East 27, Cornwall 14

Coleman Flory ran 26 times for 176 yards and scored three TDs to lead the Trojans. Flory ran for all but five yards of a 11-play, 66-yard drive and added a two-point conversion to give the Trojans a 21-14 lead in the fourth quarter. He also gained the last 41 yards of a four-play, 54-yard drive to close out the scoring.

Flory scored from a yard out to cap a seven-play, 67-yard drive midway through the first quarter, but Karl Van Wygerden ran back the kickoff 95 yards to tie the game.

Cornwall	7	7	0	0	14
Corning East	7	6	6	8	27



Quarterfinals

Albany Academy 42, Peru 14
Rye 35, Red Hook 14
Chenango Forks 3, Cazenovia 0
Geneva 32, Lackawanna 8

B

Semifinals

Albany Academy 19, Rye 16
Geneva 26, Chenango Forks 21

Championship

Geneva 33, Albany Academy 7

Championship: Geneva 33, Albany Academy 7

Brian Fowler rushed for 102 first-half yards and 139 for the game on 26 carries to go along with three touchdowns.

Fowler scored on second-quarter runs of 32 and 12 yards that gave Geneva a 20-7 lead.

Albany Academy scored first on a 1-yard run by Dion Lewis (16 carries, 75 yards) early in the first quarter, but Geneva's Bobby Martin hit Tremaine Green with a 34-yard pass midway through the first quarter.

Albany Academy	7	0	0	0	7
Geneva	7	19	0	7	33



Quarterfinals

Dobbs Ferry 48, Sullivan West 18
Falconer 13, LeRoy 12
Westmoreland 25, Sidney 24
AuSable Valley 21, Hoosick Falls 12

C

Semifinals

Dobbs Ferry 25, AuSable Valley 7
Falconer 20, Westmoreland 6

Championship

Dobbs Ferry 24, Falconer 0

Championship: Dobbs Ferry 24, Falconer 0

Frank Scattaretico ran for two touchdowns and Trevor Saunders passed for another to lead Dobbs Ferry to its third state title in five years.

With the first quarter winding down, Saunders hit Kadeem Scott for a 63-yard gain to set up Scattaretico's 11-yard scoring run on the next play.

Andy Saff made 16 tackles in a losing effort.

Dobbs Ferry	7	3	0	14	24
Falconer	0	0	0	0	0



Quarterfinals

Oakfield-Alabama 28, Catt-LV 20
Onondaga 28, Delhi 0
Tuckahoe 27, Chester 0
Ticonderoga 34, Fort Edward 28

D

Semifinals

Tuckahoe 22, Ticonderoga 19
Oakfield-Alabama 17, Onondaga 8

Championship

Tuckahoe 27, Oakfield-Alabama 14

Championship: Tuckahoe 27, Oakfield-Alabama 14

QB Joseph Melendez ran for 2 TDs and caught another on a halfback option to lead Tuckahoe to its first title. Melendez (14-for-20, 119 yards) scored on 1- and 2-yard runs and caught an 8-yard pass from Lowell Robinson, all in the 1st half.

Robinson rushed for 143 yards and a TD for the Tigers and intercepted a pass in the end zone in the final seconds to wrap up the win. O-A pulled to within 21-14 on a 73-yard pass from Jason Kirkum to Tucker Smart with 6:11 left, but Robinson's 14-yard scoring run with 1:02 to play restored the two-score lead.

Tuckahoe	6	15	0	6	27
Oakfield-Alabama	7	0	0	7	14



New York State Playoff Results 2007

Quarterfinals

New Rochelle (Bye)
 Monroe-Woodbury 42, LaSalle 20
 W. Genesee 21, Union-Endicott 7
 Orchard Park 49, Canandaigua 27

AA

Semifinals

Mon-Wood. 22, New Rochelle 16
 W. Genesee 30, Orchard Park 27

Championship

W. Genesee 42, Mon-Wood 21

Championship: West Genesee 42, Monroe-Woodbury 21

Tim Moran threw for 272 yards and three touchdowns as the Wildcats rolled up 494 total yards. West Genesee allowed the game's first score but moved out to a 28-7 lead in the second quarter and scored touchdowns on six of its first eight possessions.

Ben Waldron scored on three short runs for the winners. The loss was just the second in 38 games for Monroe-Woodbury, which got scoring runs of 1 and 15 yards from Dan Scalo.

West Genesee	14	14	7	7	42
Monroe-Woodbury	7	7	7	0	21



Class A

Quarterfinals

Ossining 13, Cornwall 0
 Lansingburgh 37, Indian River 36
 Carthage 19, Corning East 7
 Aquinas 28, Sweet Home 7

A

Semifinals

Aquinas 17, Carthage 0
 Lansingburgh 49, Ossining 20

Championship

Aquinas 34, Lansingburgh 12

Championship: Aquinas 34, Lansingburgh 12

Senior running back Anthony Fitts carried for 159 yards and three touchdowns, and sophomore Anthony Bianchi returned one of his two interceptions 69 yards for a score as the Little Irish wrapped up a 13-0 season.

Aquinas scored on its first two possessions for a 14-0 lead, but the Knights closed to 14-12 on Kenny Youngs' second TD, coming with 3:07 to go in the third quarter. Youngs ran for 156 yards to end his career with 5,404 yards.

It was Aquinas' fourth NYSPPHSAA championship.

Aquinas	14	0	7	13	34
Lansingburgh	0	6	6	0	12



Class B

Quarterfinals

Rye 35, New Paltz 14
 Peru 21, Cobleskill-Rich 7
 Chenango Forks 12, Cazenovia 7
 Geneva 32, Depew 14

B

Semifinals

Rye 24, Peru 7
 Chenango Forks 14, Geneva 13

Championship

Rye 19, Chenango Forks 12

Championship: Rye 19, Chenango Forks 12

Rye trailed 12-6 at the half but blanked Chenango Forks and rode Jordan Eck scoring passes of 55 yards to James Bonsall and seven yards to Pat O'Callaghan less than 6:00 minutes apart to pull out the win.

Eck (180 yards on 12-for-19 passing, 50 rushing yards) also scored on a 5-yard run to cap a 16-play, 69-yard drive for Rye, which held a 340-238 advantage in yardage.

Matt Dunn's sack and fumble recovery with 1:54 to go snuffed out Chenango Forks' final opportunity. The teams were a combined 4-for-9 on fourth-down conversions.

Chenango Forks	6	6	0	0	12
Rye	0	6	6	7	19



Class C

Quarterfinals

Dobbs Ferry 33, Tri-Valley 0
 Cambridge 24, Tupper Lake 8
 Bishop Ludden 30, Unatego 21
 LeRoy 47, Cleveland Hill 20

C

Semifinals

Dobbs Ferry 47, Cambridge 0
 Bishop Ludden 34, LeRoy 33 ot

Championship

Bishop Ludden 21, Dobbs Ferry 16

Championship: Bishop Ludden 21, Dobbs Ferry 16

Senior Connor Sweeney completed an 80-yard TD pass to Wendall Williams on the first play from scrimmage to start the Gaelic Knights on their way to victory. Sweeney was 8-for-10 passing for 184 yards and 2 TDs to Williams.

Daquan Grobsmith's 12-yard scoring run early in the fourth quarter made the score 21-10 and proved to be the difference for Ludden. Grobsmith carried 20 times for 116 yards.

Trevon Saunders of Dobbs Ferry scored on a 3-yard run with 2:09 to play, but Ludden's John Rooney recovered the ensuing onside kick to seal the win.

Bishop Ludden	7	7	0	7	21
Dobbs Ferry	0	10	0	6	16



Class D

Quarterfinals

Haldane 19, Eldred 14
 Ticonderoga 27, Fort Edward 16
 Walton 52, Onondaga 14
 Bolivar-Richburg 35, Randolph 14

D

Semifinals

Walton 42, Bolivar-Richburg 0
 Ticonderoga 35, Haldane 8

Championship

Walton 64, Ticonderoga 6

Championship: Walton 64, Ticonderoga 6

Richard Fletcher (18 carries, 108 yards) rolled up four of the team's nine touchdown runs in the most lopsided championship game in NYSPPHSAA tournament history.

Walton held advantages of 399-83 in yardage and 19-8 in first downs and took a 42-0 lead into halftime. Twelve players carried the ball a combined 52 times for the winners.

Walton capped a perfect season in which it outscored its opponents by a combined 707-48 margin en route to its first championship since 1994.

Walton	22	20	16	6	64
Ticonderoga	0	0	0	6	6



New York State Playoff Results 2008

Quarterfinals

Monroe-Woodbury (Bye)
 New Rochelle 33, LaSalle 7
 Binghamton 28, Henninger 20
 Orchard Park 34, Gates-Chili 21

Semifinals

Monroe-Wood, 10, New Rochelle 8
 Orchard Park 37, Binghamton 21

Championship

Orchard Park 21, Mon-Wood 17

Championship: Orchard Park 21, Monroe-Woodbury 17

The Quakers completed their rally from a 17-0 deficit to win on QB Kyle Hoppy's 67-yard run with 6:00 to play. Hoppy also scored on a 14-yard run in the third quarter and finished with 16 carries for 131 yards.

Senior RB Jeff Tundo added 26 carries for 146 yards for Orchard Park, which piled up a 233-41 yardage advantage in the 2nd half.

Monroe-Woodbury junior QB Dan Scalo, playing with a shoulder injury since the preseason, carried 17 times for 113 yards and two short touchdowns in the first half.

Monroe-Woodbury	7	10	0	0	17
Orchard Park	0	0	14	7	21



First Round

Indian River 36, Potsdam 0

Quarterfinals

Burnt Hills-Bal 35, Indian River 12
 Sweet Home 23, Aquinas 6
 Corning West 28, New Hartford 26
 Nyack 24, Cornwall 21

Semifinals

Burnt Hills-Balston 14, Nyack 13
 Sweet Home 48, Corning West 8

Championship

Sweet Home 35, Burnt Hills 28

Championship: Sweet Home 35, Burnt Hills 28

D.J. Nettles scored on a 91-yard run in the first quarter and a 29-yard pass play in the second as the Panthers roared to a 28-7 lead en route to 500 yards of offense in the contest.

Nettles carried three times for 106 yards and caught three passes for 63 yards. Classmate Deshanaro "Day Day" Morris chipped in with 98 yards on the ground, made 10 tackles and recorded an interception and a sack.

Burnt Hills pulled within 35-28 with 6:26 to go but senior Casey Kacz (11-for-15 passing for 246 yards and 2 TDs) engineered a 13-play drive to run out the clock.

Burnt Hills	7	7	7	7	28
Sweet Home	21	7	7	0	35



First Round

Beekmantown 21, Peru 20

Quarterfinals

Rye 35, Highland 6
 Hudson Falls 54, Beekmantown 20
 Bath 28, Lackawanna 12
 Oneida 27, Waverly 21

Semifinals

Rye 34, Hudson Falls 7
 Oneida 27, Bath 0

Championship

Rye 16, Oneida 12

Championship: Rye 16, Oneida 12

Oneida struck first with a four-play, 28-yard drive to open the game, but Rye seized momentum and survived 13 penalties for 113 yards.

Nate Mallinder scored to give Oneida a 6-0 lead, but Rye struck back when Cole McCormack ran for a TD from 28 yards away to give Rye a 7-6 lead.

Kyle Ramalho ran 24 times for 136 yards and made three catches for 31 yards in the victory. QB Connor Eck was 5-for-8 for 56 yards and a 15-yard TD pass to Pat O'Callaghan.

Rye	13	3	0	0	16
Oneida	6	0	0	6	12



First Round

Saranac Lake 33, Ogdensburg 21

Quarterfinals

Saranac Lake 14, Watervliet 7
 Croton-Harmon 42, Ellenville 20
 Elmira ND 48, Westmoreland 21
 Southwestern 38, LeRoy 35

Semifinals

Croton-Harmon 23, Saranac Lk 14
 Southwestern 20, Elmira ND 6

Championship

Southwestern 35, Croton-Harmon 7

Championship: Southwestern 35, Croton-Harmon 7

Southwestern scored 3 TDs in a 1:10 span midway through the 2nd quarter to take a 21-0 lead. Ryan Buzzetto returned a fumble 29 yards for a score between two Zack Sopak TD passes. Sopak's TD throws covered 20 yards to Levi Bursch to cap a 10-play, 64-yard drive.

Two plays after Zach Nelson recovered the fumbled kickoff return at the Croton-Harmon 10, Sopak passed 11 yards to Andy Latta for a TD.

Sopak was 5-for-7 for 92 yards and 1 INT and also ran for 77 yards. John Mistretta added 92 yards on the ground.

Croton-Harmon	0	0	0	7	7
Southwestern	0	21	7	7	35



Quarterfinals

Moriah 19, Rensselaer 0
 Tuckahoe 47, Chester 20
 Walton 44, Dolgeville 21
 Maple Grove 57, Dundee 12

Semifinals

Moriah 21, Tuckahoe 6
 Maple Grove 49, Walton 14

Championship

Maple Grove 55, Moriah 7

Championship: Maple Grove 55, Moriah 7

The Red Dragons put the game away early as they drove six plays and 69 yards on the opening possession, capped by game MVP Chris Secky's 13-yard keeper over left tackle.

Junior Adam Wascher recovered a fumble two plays into Moriah's next possession, leading to Jake Larson's 4-yard TD run three plays later.

Secky (8-for-9 passing for 214 yards and 3 TDs) hit Joe Caporale (six catches, 175 yards) on second-quarter TD pass plays covering 63 and 48 yards. Secky threw for 23 TDs and just one interception for the season.

Moriah	0	0	0	7	7
Maple Grove	21	21	7	6	55



New York State Playoff Results 2009

Quarterfinals

Saratoga Springs (Bye)
New Rochelle 21, Mon-Wood 14
N. Tonawanda 26, Schroeder 24
Baldwinsville 49, Union-Edictt 26

AA

Semifinals

N. Tonawanda 28, Baldwinsville 7
New Rochelle 28, Saratoga 21

Championship

N. Tonawanda 14, New Rochelle 7

Championship: North Tonawanda 14, New Rochelle 7

Senior Darrik Bloomfield reeled in a 12-yard TD reception from junior HB Joe Montesanti midway through the 4th quarter, out-jumping Jonny McGhee in the right front corner of the end zone and gingerly clutching the ball as the defender took a final, futile swipe at it on the way down.

For New Rochelle, senior QB Lewis Edney exited with a badly injured left ankle with 3:24 to go in the first quarter and could not return.

North Tonawanda drove 11 plays and 77 yards to take the lead on Bloomfield's leaping catch.

North Tonawanda	7	0	0	7	14
New Rochelle	0	0	7	0	7



First Round

Malone 28, Gouverneur 8

Quarterfinals

Burnt Hills 54, Malone 13
Cornwall 31, Yonkers Roosevelt 21
Sweet Home 33, Aquinas 7
Whitesboro 27, Corning East 19

A

Semifinals

Sweet Home 36, Whitesboro 13
Burnt Hills 41, Cornwall 16

Championship

Sweet Home 34, Burnt Hills 7

Championship: Sweet Home 34, Burnt Hills 7

Senior Patrick McMahon, one of 10 first-year starters on offense, went 13-for-20 for 297 yards and a pair of long scoring plays in the 2nd quarter in the rematch of the 2008 final.

McMahon was 6-for-8 for 220 yards and both of his TDs in the first half to build a 19-0 lead. Ralph Neasman scored on a 1-yard run 1:51 into the second quarter, then McMahon engineered three-play drives that ended with catch-and-run TDs of 91 yards to Jahaan Williams and 54 yards on a screen to D.J. Nettles.

Nettles had 2 crucial INTs in the second half.

Sweet Home	0	19	0	15	34
Burnt Hills	0	0	7	0	9



First Round

O'Neill 35, Highland Falls 28

Quarterfinals

Westhill 41, Johnson City 14
Schalmont 34, Beelmantown 20
Nanuet 35, O'Neill 0
Hornell 48, Cheektowaga 12

B

Semifinals

Nanuet 28, Schalmont 7
Hornell 49, Westhill 7

Championship

Hornell 16, Nanuet 14

Championship: Hornell 16, Nanuet 14

Nanuet held the Red Raiders to 48 yards on 28 plays, largely a mix of incompletions or finesse running, to take a 7-0 lead before Hornell put up 163 yards in the second half - all but five on the ground - to grind out the win.

A Pat McCormick fumble recovery on the first play of the second half launched an 11-play, 38-yard drive that included nine straight carries by Austin Dwyer (35 carries, 169 yards) and concluded with the senior's 2-yard TD run.

Dwyer raised his season total on the ground to 2,836 yards, the No. 6 mark in state history.

Hornell	0	0	16	0	16
Nanuet	0	7	0	7	14



First Round

Ogdensburg 25, Saranac Lake 14

Quarterfinals

Chenango Forks 27, Gen. Brown 0
Southwestern 28, Letchworth 18
Hoosick Falls 51, Ogdensburg 6
Bronxville 34, Ellenville 6

C

Semifinals

Southwestern 21, Chenango Forks 0
Bronxville 28, Hoosick Falls 27

Championship

Southwestern 40, Bronxville 14

Championship: Southwestern 40, Bronxville 14

Senior Zack Sopak threw a pair of short TD passes on Southwestern's first two possessions of the second half to refocus the Trojans and pave the way for a 40-14 victory.

Southwestern ran its winning streak to 29 games following its 2nd straight 13-0 season and NYS championship. The Trojans took the second-half kickoff and marched 55 yards to a short 7-yard Levi Bursch TD reception in just 1:50 into the third quarter, then held Bronxville on downs. Seven plays and 60 yards later, Sopak completed 8 of 16 passes for 220 yards and four TDs.

Southwestern	7	6	13	14	40
Bronxville	0	7	7	0	14



Class D

Quarterfinals

Randolph 14, Dundee 6
Moriah 28, Rensselaer 25
Eldred 21, Tuckahoe 14
Groton 40, Westmoreland 11

D

Semifinals

Randolph 61, Groton 8
Moriah 22, Eldred 13

Championship

Randolph 41, Moriah 0

Championship: Randolph 41, Moriah 0

Senior Mike Maycock ran for one score and threw for another in the final 44 seconds of the 1st half to break open a 14-0 game. Maycock was selected game MVP after going 3-for-3 for 76 yards for the Cardinals (12-1), who ran the table in the small-school classification after suffering a 7-6 loss to 2008 state champion Maple Grove in the opener.

Maycock scored on a 4-yard run with :44 left, then connected on a 15-yard pass to Eric Gruber to cap a two-play, 47-yard drive with :03 to go in the quarter. Randolph had gotten the ball back when Matt Lundsten recovered an onside kick.

Randolph	7	20	7	7	41
Moriah	0	0	0	0	0



New York State Playoff Results 2010

Quarterfinals

Rush-Henrietta 42, Clarence 34
Baldwinsville 49, Corning 20
Troy 32, Monroe-Woodbury 21
New Rochelle (Bye)

Semifinals

Rush-Henrietta 55, Baldwinsville 28
Troy 20, New Rochelle 19

Championship

Rush-Henrietta 40, Troy 28

Championship: Rush-Henrietta 40, Troy 28

NYSSWA Class AA player of the year Ashton Broyld ran 23 times for 196 yards, threw for 94 yards and another score in one of the most memorable scoring slugfests in the history of the NYSPPHSAA finals.

Devin Wofford brought back the opening kickoff 89 yards for a TD but the outcome was in doubt until the closing minutes. Wofford rushed for 134 yards on 20 carries.

R-H and Troy combined for 599 yards in the second half alone, including 307 on the ground by Troy, and 902 for the afternoon.

Troy	7	0	21	0	28
Rush-Henrietta	14	0	12	14	40



Quarterfinals

Aquinas 36, Sweet Home 6
Whitesboro 40, Maine-Endwell 14
Harrison 35, Walkill 29
Burnt Hills 42, Potsdam 0

Semifinals

Aquinas 35, Whitesboro 12
Harrison 17, Burnt Hills 7

Championship

Aquinas 24, Harrison 13

Championship: Aquinas 24, Harrison 13

State Class A co-player of the year Mike Messina (16 carries, 176 yards) ran 50 yards for the clinching score with 2:08 to go. The championship was Aquinas' fifth, breaking a tie with Caledonia-Mumford for the all-time state lead.

Aquinas receiver Chris Bostick caught 2 passes for 31 yards, including a 24-yard TD pass on a fourth-and-17 play for a 14-0 lead. Harrison then drove 76 yards in 17 snaps over 6:53, including a missed field-goal attempt negated by a defensive penalty, but came away empty as time expired in the first half.

Harrison	0	0	7	6	13
Aquinas	7	7	0	10	24



Quarterfinals

Hornell 21, Alden 14
Chenango Valley 27, Cazenovia 14
Croton-Harmon 27, New Paltz 0
Schalmont 38, Ogdensburg 7

Semifinals

Hornell 45, Chenango Valley 12
Schalmont 28, Croton-Harmon 14

Championship

Hornell 50, Schalmont 20

Championship: Hornell 50, Schalmont 20

The Red Raiders put together a dominating first-half and cruised to their 2nd straight NYS championship in Syracuse.

Sam Stonerock (27 carries, 173 yards) and Scott McKibben (18-106) each rushed for a touchdown, and game MVP Dominic Scavo completed all four of his throws for 57 yards and two TDs. Hornell outgained Schalmont 389-208 and rolled up 24 first downs.

Hornell raced to a 28-0 lead, paced by Scavo's 18-yard scoring strike to Jordan Schwartz. The Raiders extended their winning streak to 26 games.

Schalmont	0	0	14	6	20
Hornell	8	20	8	14	50



Quarterfinals

Fredonia 18, Letchworth 13
Gen. Brown 21, Chenango Forks 0
Saranac Lake 15, Hoosick Falls 12
Bronxville 42, Millbrook 0

Semifinals

General Brown 19, Fredonia 14
Bronxville 49, Saranac Lake 14

Championship

Bronxville 34, General Brown 14

Championship: Bronxville 34, General Brown 14

Dillon Mitchell ran for one score and threw for two more in the first 17 minutes to stake Bronxville to a 21-0 lead.

Mitchell finished 7-for-13 for 81 yards through the air and also gained 77 yards on 14 carries to earn game MVP honors.

Mitchell ran 29 yards for the first score 2:04 into the game and then threw TD passes of 3 and 55 yards in the second quarter. Ryan Grunseich kicked field goals of 32 and 29 yards in the final 2:04 to build the lead to 27-0 at the half.

Bronxville outgained General Brown by 232-38 in the first half.

Bronxville	7	20	7	0	34
General Brown	0	0	0	14	14



Quarterfinals

Cal-Mum 20, Silver Creek 13
Walton 20, Onondaga 0
Tuckahoe 43, Chester 8
Moriah 14, Cambridge 6

Semifinals

Cal-Mum 24, Walton 10
Tuckahoe 31, Moriah 10

Championship

Tuckahoe 27, Cal-Mum 0

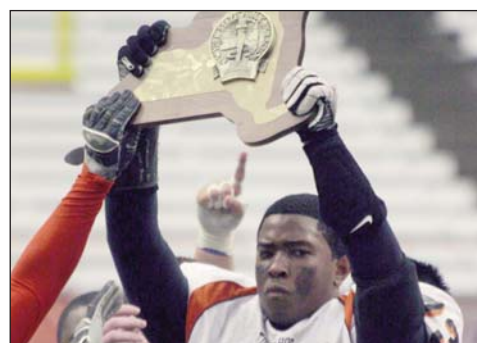
Championship: Tuckahoe 27, Cal-Mum 0

Caledonia-Mumford drove 21 plays and 73 yards to consume 9:06 on the clock only to turn the ball over on downs at the 7 to close the first half and mustered little in the second half against its faster, bigger and disciplined opponent.

Tuckahoe got 12 carries for 81 yards from Luis Esquilin and 15 attempts for 65 yards by Jarett Sommers. The Tigers scored in the first quarter with QB Kevin Garabitos' 1-yard scoring run.

The third quarter began with Tuckahoe driving nine plays and 53 yards to Esquilin's 5-yard TD run for a 14-0 lead.

Tuckahoe	6	0	8	13	27
Cal-Mum	0	0	0	0	0



New York State Playoff Results 2011

Quarterfinals

Shenendehowa 13, N. Rockland 10 ot
Binghamton 36, West Genesee 35
Orchard Park 42, Rush-Henrietta 35
Newburgh Free (Bye)

Semifinals

Newburgh Free 16, Shenendehowa 6
Orchard Park 35, Binghamton 6

Championship

Orchard Park 21, Newburgh Free 13

AA

Championship: Orchard Park 21, Newburgh Free 13

Orchard Park beat Newburgh Free Academy in the Class AA championship game in the Carrier Dome at Syracuse. The Quakers finished 13-0 as they won the school's second state title since 2008.

Orchard Park led 21-0 in the fourth quarter and survived a Newburgh rally. The Quakers intercepted a 40-yard "Hail Mary" pass in the end zone on the last play of the game.

With Orchard Park leading 7-0, James Fitzgerald moved to QB and rushed 38 yards and 2 TDs on 10 carries.

Orchard Park	0	7	6	8	21
Newburgh Free	0	0	0	13	13



Quarterfinals

Cornwall 44, Poughkeepsie 19
Burnt Hills 63, Malone 20
Maine-Endwell 21, E.Syr-Minoa 7
Aquinas 49, Sweet Home 20

Semifinals

Burnt Hills 35, Cornwall 14
Maine-Endwell 19, Aquinas 16

Championship

Maine-Endwell 27, Burnt Hills 20

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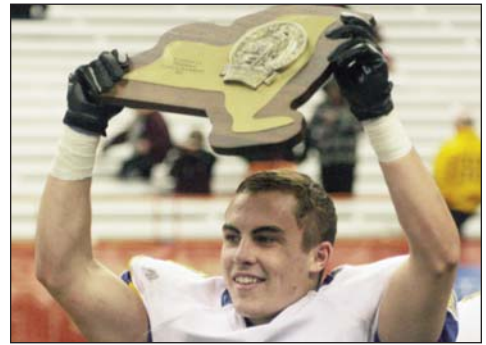
Championship: Maine-Endwell 27, Burnt Hills 20

Nick Sorrenti scored three 2nd-half TDs as Maine-Endwell scored 20 unanswered points to rally for a 27-20 victory in the Class A state championship game at the Carrier Dome.

Maine-Endwell scored on the first drive of the game but the defense gave up 281 yards and 20 points in the first half - more than it had allowed in any of its previous 7 games.

Trailing 20-7, the Spartans began to move the ball, finally taking a 21-20 lead with 10:26 left in the game as Sorrenti plowed in from 3 yards out.

Maine-Endwell	7	0	7	13	27
Burnt Hills	7	13	0	0	20



Quarterfinals

Hornell 20, Alden 14 ot
Croton-Harmon 46, Marlboro 3
Schalmont 25, Preu 20
Chittenango 42, Chenango Valley 0

Semifinals

Hornell 35, Chittenango 27
Croton-Harmon 15, Schalmont 12

Championship

Hornell 22, Croton-Harmon 6

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Championship: Hornell 22, Croton-Harmon 6

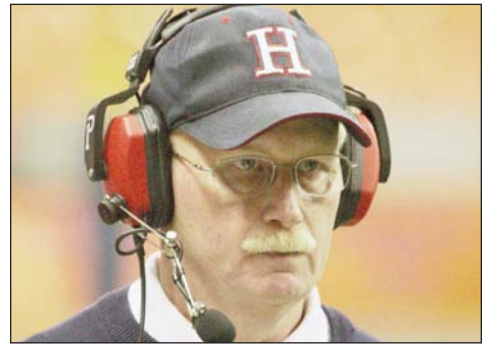
Longtime coach Gene Mastin led his team to a third straight NYS Championship as Hornell beat Croton-Harmon 22-6.

Scott McKibben ran 25 times for 104 yards and 2 TDs while Zack Bacon rushed for 148 yards on 13 carries.

QB Dominic Scavo passed for 71 yards and ran for a 24-yard TD as he finished his career with a 39-0 record.

Hornell became just the 4th program in NYS history to win 3 straight titles joining Cal-Mum (1993-95), Edgemont (1998-2000) and Onondaga (2001-03) as three-peat champions.

Hornell	0	22	0	0	22
Croton-Harmon	0	0	6	0	6



Quarterfinals

Dobbs Ferry 41, James O'Neill 13
Hoosick Falls 47, Saranac Lake 13
Waverly 26, Herkimer 13
Southwestern 24, Wellsville 6

Semifinals

Dobbs Ferry 13, Hoosick Falls 12
Southwestern 19, Waverly 13

Championship

Dobbs Ferry 39, Southwestern 0

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Championship: Dobbs Ferry 39, Southwestern 0

Dobbs Ferry won the 4th state title in program history, beating Southwestern 39-0 at the Syracuse Carrier Dome.

QB Spencer Avalos was named the game's MVP after completing 9 of 10 passes for 146 yards and a TD. Avalos completed all nine of his passes in the first half and also rushed for 42 yards on 8 carries and had an interception in the win.

Dobbs Ferry scored twice in the final 3:08 of the first quarter to take a 15-0 lead and never looked back. The Eagles rushed for 421 yards and 5TDs on 61 rushes. Three Dobbs Ferry backs surpassed 100 yards rushing.

Southwestern	0	0	0	0	0
Dobbs Ferry	15	12	0	12	39



Quarterfinals

Haldane 54, Chester 8
Cambridge 44, Ticonderoga 25
Tioga 55, Westmoreland 34
Letchworth 30, Maple Grove 14

Semifinals

Chester 38, Cambridge 22
Letchworth 14, Tioga 6

Championship

Letchworth 27, Chester 0

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Championship: Letchworth 27, Chester 0

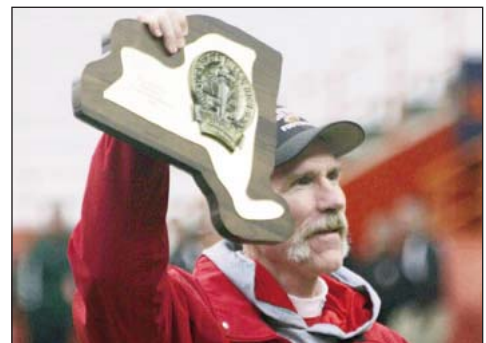
Letchworth shut out previously unbeaten Chester 27-0 in the NYS Class D championship game played at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse. It was the school's first state title.

Letchworth senior Clifton Bacon was named MVP after scoring 2 first quarter TDs for the Indians, who finished 12-1.

Senior Chris Nevinger, who had 173 yards rushing on 23 carries, added a pair of second-half rushing touchdowns.

Nevinger was named the game's Most Outstanding Offensive Back. He added 11 tackles and 2 sacks on defense.

Letchworth	14	0	7	6	27
Chester	0	0	0	0	0



Dad Falls Short of Title



Mike Torrillo, a 1984 graduate of Sweet Home High School knows a thing or two about winning state championships. He has won New York State championships in almost every way possible in three different sports.

Torrillo has won a state title as a player - he was the starting second baseman on the Sweet Home baseball team that won the State tournament in 1983.

Many years later, he won a state title as a head coach when he led the Williamsville East Flames to a NYS hockey championship in 2004.

He also won a NYS title as an assistant coach with the Sweet Home football teams that were state champs in 2008 and 2009.

He had a chance to win another state title this season... this time as a dad.

Torrillo handled the Sweet Home defense... and then watched as his son Michael directed the offense as the Panthers' quarterback.

Unfortunately, the Panthers lost to Burnt Hills 40-20 in the Carrier Dome in the Class A championship game... ending the dream for Dad.

But, Torrillo will have a few more chances. He has two more sons that also play quarterback.

Almost by accident, Torrillo began coaching with Sweet Home, the team he played for as a high school student.

He had a teaching job at Williamsville East and had worked as an assistant football coach at East for 15 years.

"I started as a JV assistant," he said, "and then I did 15 years as a varsity assistant."

When East coach Dan Kelly retired from coaching in 2005, Torrillo applied for the head job.

"I didn't get it," he said. "They hired someone else. I wanted to continue coaching football so I went back to Sweet Home."

Torrillo coached under John Faller for three years as a volunteer. And when another retirement opened up a spot on the staff, Torrillo was hired to fill the spot.

"It's been incredible," Torrillo said. "I really could not

have asked for a better situation."

Torrillo still lives in the Sweet Home district that he grew up in. Being on Faller's staff meant he could watch his sons play - which would never have happened if he had been the head coach at Williamsville East.

"Coach Faller has been great to me and this is a great group of people to work with," he said. "My kids are playing here. I can coach them but I get to watch them, too."

So, instead of game-planning against the Panthers, he got to re-join the Sweet Home family... and his own family.

"We coach for all the kids," Torrillo said. "But my kids have been a big part of the Sweet Home program for a long time. Michael was a ball boy for the state championship teams."

This season, Torrillo was able to get used to the 'Dad' part of coaching at Sweet Home. He'll have a few more seasons to perfect the role.



Photo by Mark Adair

Sweet Home defensive assistant Mike Torrillo.

His son Kevin was the QB for Sweet Home's JV team that just finished 9-0. His son Joe is a QB on the school's modified team.

"My wife Michelle is a Saint," he said. "She has four boys, not three. Football has become something we do as a family, and not time away from family."

Torrillo admits that he had just one small incident of being one of those overbearing fathers... but Faller took care of it quickly.

"I started talking to Michael at the scrimmage," Torrillo said. "John looked at me and just said, 'Let me handle him today.' From there on in, I have stayed out of as much as possible. I'm a defensive assistant. Coach Faller handles Michael."

The Torrillos - father and sons - are able to draw a clear line in the sand when it came to separating Dad and Coach. Coach Faller handles the quarterback... end of story.

"I don't want any added pressure on them to succeed," Torrillo said. "If they have any pressure to win, I want it to be because they represent Sweet Home, not because of dad. I just want them to be a player and have fun."

And, while Coach (Dad) Torrillo enjoyed the run at yet another state championship, he admits that the road to try and win this one was special - even though it fell short.

"I'm happy for all the kids I coach," he said. "All the championships are special and I was excited about playing for this one as much as any of the others. But to see my son's face, and to see how excited he was, really made this even more special."

Just like any other Dad... sort of.

2012 Scholar Athlete

NYSHSFCA Criteria

The New York State High School Football Coaches Association will present annual awards to **Scholar/ Athletes from Classes AA, A, B, C and D.**

The awards will be presented at the **NYSHSFCA CLINIC** to be held in **February at THE TURNING STONE RESORT.**

In addition, the coaches will select a **SCHOLAR/ATHLETE FIRST-TEAM FOR EACH CLASSIFICATION.**

The following are the criteria we will use for judging the nominations.

The player MUST

- Be a member of the Senior Class
- Be a significant contributor to your team
- Have a 90+ GPA for their high school career
- Have a class rank in the upper 25% of his class
- Be a person exhibiting good citizenship characteristics
- Must have a score of 1100+ (math and verbal only) on the SAT OR 25+ on the ACT



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Players Name _____ Grade _____

Positions: Offense _____ Defense: _____ Special Teams _____

SAT Score Math _____ Verbal _____ Total _____ **ACT Score** _____ **Class Rank** _____ **Total in Class** _____

Home Address _____

City / Zip _____

Home phone _____

E-mail _____

Class (Circle One): AA A B C D

Football Statistics, Academic Honors, Activities and Coaches Comments:

Head Coach _____

School _____

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Name of Section Rep: _____

Section _____

Players Name _____ Grade _____

Positions: Offense _____ Defense: _____ Special Teams _____

Statistics:

Home Address _____

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Players Name _____ Grade _____

Positions: Offense _____ Defense: _____ Special Teams _____

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Home Address _____

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