



NA MENEHUNE FOOTBALL



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COACH'S CORNER



Coach's Weekly Review:

Coach's theme for this past week was blessings (and will be for the remainder of the season). Speak blessings to one another. We were truly blessed (and continue to be blessed) this week in many more ways other than our 1-point varsity victory. We saw kids from the JV developmental squad get an opportunity and really flourish. We continue to see tremendous growth in all of the boys, personally, academically and athletically. We have a lot of football remaining, let's stay the course and continue to encourage and support our players. As far as the games go, we saw JV make a tremendous come-back which showed great toughness and team character in the second half...great job. I'm very proud of the

effort that they displayed. As far as the Varsity game, I now have to see a GI specialist for ulcers. What an exciting game for you all to be a part of. It's always a great, toughly-fought game between MOHS and Radford. We always look forward to the high level of competition and the close games. It's unfortunate that someone had to come out on the losing end of that game because both teams played exceptionally hard. We want to thank Radford for such an exciting game and we always want to bless all of our opponents throughout the season. I am very proud of the class that both JV and Varsity displayed on the field w/ great sportsmanship and great effort. It's going to be a long and exciting season. It was fantastic to see that our crowd was bigger than theirs on their home field and it makes a difference for our players in their hearts and in their minds. Thank you for making it a home field away from home.

~Coach and Charlene Martinez



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Game Of The Week



Moanalua beats Radford in 2 OT

By Wes Nakama
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Tahje Canyon scored on a 4-yard touchdown run in the second overtime and Matt Blakeley kicked the winning extra point last night to lift Moanalua to a thrilling 34-33 victory over Radford at the Rams' John Velasco Stadium.

Na Menehune improved to 3-0 overall and 2-0 in the O'ahu Interscholastic Association's White Conference.

Radford, the defending Division II state runner-up, fell to 1-2, 1-1.

After both teams failed to score in the first overtime period, the Rams took a 33-27 lead on Phil Hogan's 5-yard TD run, but the PAT attempt went wide right.

Canyon then rushed twice from the 10 to give Moanalua third-and-goal from the 4, before taking a pitch to the left side and outracing a couple of Radford defenders to the pylon.

After an encroachment penalty on the Rams, Blakeley split the uprights for the winning margin.

The kick set off a celebration on Na Menehune's sideline and ended an exhausting, back-and-forth, three-hour, 10-minute marathon.

Moanalua led 27-13 early in the fourth quarter after Xavier Peterson's 99-yard interception return for a touchdown.

But the Rams answered with a nine-play, 75-yard scoring drive capped by Doug Brown's 11-yard TD pass to TJ Reid, and after Kamu Taulelei recovered a fumble on the ensuing series, Brown connected with Ikaika Kamaka on a 30-yard touchdown pass and Cody Spraker's extra point tied it at 27-27 with 7:47 remaining.

Radford tied it at 27-27 with 7:47 remaining. Radford took a 7-0 lead barely four minutes into the game after capitalizing on a bad Moanalua punt snap that gave the Rams first-and-goal on the 1. J.B. Fontenot punched it in two plays later on a quarterback sneak, followed by Spraker's extra point. Na Menehune tied it at 7-7 with 17 seconds remaining in the first quarter, after Keenan Ragragola's 26-yard touchdown run up the middle on a third-and-4 inside handoff. Blakeley's PAT knotted the score.

Na Menehune opened the second half with a seven-play, 70-yard scoring drive capped by Adam Francisco's 24-yard TD pass to Michael Egami, but the extra point attempt was blocked. Radford answered immediately with Hogan's dazzling 78-yard kickoff return for a score.

The PAT attempt hit the crossbar, however, knotting the score at 13-13.

Canyon then helped put Moanalua up, 20-13, on a 3-yard touchdown run with 5:06 left in the third quarter.

MOANALUA (2-0, 2-0) 7 0 13 7 0 7—34

RADFORD (1-2, 1-1) 7 0 6 14 0 6—33

RADFORD — J.B. Fontenot 1 run (Cody Spraker kick).
MOANALUA — Keenan Ragragola 26 run (Matt Blakeley kick).

MOANALUA — Michael Egami 24 pass from Adam Francisco (kick block).

RADFORD — Phil Hogan 78 kickoff return (kick failed).

MOANALUA — Tahje Canyon 3 run (Blakeley kick).

MOANALUA — Xavier Peterson 99 interception return (Blakeley kick).

RADFORD — TJ Reid 11 pass from Doug Brown (Spraker kick).

RADFORD — Ikaika Kamaka 30 pass from Brown (Spraker kick).

RADFORD — Hogan 5 run (kick failed).

MOANALUA — Canyon 4 run (Blakeley kick).

RUSHING — Moanalua: Egami 5-32, Canyon 29-110, Francisco 8-12, Ragragola 2-31, Tayler Tanka 1-1, Essaye Villaver 1-0, Lowen Oliveros 1-2, Chasen Hamasaki 1-2, Team 2-(minus 42). Radford: Hogan 23-65, Brown 7-37, Fontenot 3-(minus 8), Reid 2-(minus 3), Kamaka 1-4.

PASSING — Moanalua: Francisco 6-19-1-78. Radford: Fontenot 5-21-0-29, Brown 8-15-1-98.

RECEIVING — Moanalua: Rich Villasenor 1-10, Ragragola 1-16, Egami 2-27, Canyon 1-14, Peterson 1-11. Radford: Noah Rehs 2-13, Reid 4-37, Dustin Phelps 1-2, Zach Lagier 3-36, Bobby Wolshlager 1-3, Kamaka 2-36.

JV SCORE — RADFORD 28, MOANALUA 21

Reported by *David Lane*



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Na Menehune of the week: The hardest working JV and Varsity player during the week in practice - They wear a special lei all week and get a free Gatorade at the end of each practice and any extra conditioning during practice becomes optional for them, the following week they pass the lei on to the next award winners).

Academic Player of the week: The JV and Varsity player that earned the highest GPA based on their weekly grade check - They will each get a \$25 gift card to Sports Authority.

Varsity Game awards:

"Big Hit" of the game: The varsity player that has the most physical, block, tackle or Katoosh - earns a playmaker drift T-shirt.

"Playmaker" of the game: The varsity player that makes a big play that impacts the game - earns a "Playmaker drift T-shirt".

"Hard Hat" of the game: The hardest working varsity player during the game, great effort - Earns a custom Hard Hat like the coaches but painted Blue by Coach Martinez, Trinity and Apollo.

"Game Ball" : For victories, we acknowledge the varsity player that had the biggest impact on the game - he earns the actual game ball from the game.

Millani Game:

August 14, 2009

Na Menehune of the week -
JV = Jonah Ramelb , Varsity = Lowen Oliveros

Varsity Game awards:

"Big Hit" - Joel Talaro

No other awards this week

Kalaheo Game:

August 21, 2009

Na Menehune of the week -
JV = Max Fiatoa, Varsity = Shayne Feliciano

Academic Player of the week -
JV = Travis LaFrandt,
Varsity = Demitri Richardson

Varsity Game awards:

"Big Hit" - Ipulasi Eselu

"Playmaker" - Keven Amaral & Essaye Villaver

"Hard Hat" - Tahje Canyon

"Game Ball" - Richard Villasenor

Radford Game:

August 28, 2009

Na Menehune of the week -
JV = Noah Cabaccong, Varsity = Daniel Kalai

Academic Player of the week -
JV Brannon Oliveros, Varsity = Kyle Fugiwara

Varsity Game awards:

"Big Hit" - Announced on Monday 8/31

"Playmaker" Announced on Monday 8/31

"Hard Hat" - Kainoa Kaholoa'a

"Game Ball" - Matt Blakeley

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Grade checks...consistency is improving. Please continue to ask your player for their grade checks, review, sign and have him submit.

Academic probation (AP)...grade checks are due tomorrow, 8/31/09 (they were handed out last Monday). If your player is on AP and is given an "F" in a core subject or if his GPA falls below 2.0, they are ineligible for 2 weeks which will impact the entire program. Please help Coach to keep all players eligible by ensuring that they are maintaining their grades, going to study hall and asking for help when they need it.

Mene Thanks...Thank you to the parent support committee and most especially parents, Coaches and players that made the "Blazin Steaks and KFC got-nothing-on-us" steak/chicken plate fundraiser a huge success. You all are a blessing to the program and Coach cannot express his gratitude enough.

Saturday, September 5, 2009

WEEK 7 - VS ANUENUE

Schedule...JV schedule this week has an adapted schedule based on Anuenue not having a JV football team. JV will practice Mon, Wed and Thurs normal times. They will have Tues, Fri, Sat and Sun off to focus on school work. There will still be morning lift on Thursday. All players need to attend all study halls and team dinner. There is no JV game this week. There is no film review for Varsity on Sunday, they are off on Sunday. There is no dawn patrol on Sundays, this week's dawn patrol will carry over to the following sat morning.

**Varsity schedule is the same...Tues night practice one additional practice day on Friday since it is a Saturday game. Team dinner will remain on Thursday. Varsity Game time is 5pm this Saturday at Kaiser HS football field.

Locker room inspections/ Disinfecting - Each Sat after film Coach instructs the players to empty out their lockers and take all of their dirty clothes and or garbage out to clean or discard. The coaches then spray a disinfectant spray into the lockers and on their shoulder pads. This is to prevent the spreading of harmful infectious germs. Some players after film do not clean out their locker for disinfecting, they just leave. Please encourage them to clean out their lockers and disinfect.

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Potluck Assignments

ENOUGH TO SERVE 25 PEOPLE: ALL FOOD ITEMS PREPARED - READY TO SERVE

MAIN DISH: Chicken or Meat or Pork or Seafood		MAIN DISH: Chicken or Meat or Pork or Seafood		MAIN DISH: Chicken or Meat or Pork or Seafood	
1	McCraw, Sawyer	24	Salvador, Ron	46	Williams, Marlon
2	Mendoza, Emilio	25	Sanchez, Chris	47	Wimberly, Donovan
3	Miller, Liam	26	Scaramazzo, Dakota	48	Winham, Clint
4	Montgomery, Trenton	27	Scott, Elijah	49	Yamada, Roy
5	Nguyen, Kevin	28	Serikawa, Tyler	50	Yoshida, Sage
6	Okamoto, David	29	Shake, Josh	51	Kim, Jeff
7	Oliveros, Branen	30	Sialana, Micah	52	Kon, Clarence
8	Oliveros, Lowen	31	Soriano, Roger	53	LaFortune, Brady
9	Pacheco, Jovenn	32	Strothoff, Drake	54	Laudato, Jay
10	Pagano, Scott	33	Suganuma, Marc	55	Lawrence, Christopher
11	Pagba, Sheldon	34	Taitoa, Victor	56	Lebato, Cameron
12	Paonessa, Bryden	35	Talaro, Joel	57	LeFrandt, Travis
13	Peltier, Joseph	36	Tanaka, Tayler	58	Lino, Gabe
14	Peterson, Xavier	37	Tanioka, Jordan	59	Liva, Dominic
15	Pieper, Kawika	38	Tauvela, Marciano	60	Akama, Justin
16	Quintero, Hunter	39	Thornton, Blake	61	Amaral, Keven
17	Ragragola, Keenan	40	Trujillo, Nalea	62	Ambrocio, Brandon
18	Ramelb, Jonah	41	Turk, Dillon	63	Apo, Darren
19	Ramos, John	42	Velasquez, Sebastian	64	Arakawa, Lee
20	Richardson, Dmitri	43	Villa, William	65	Ayson, Shannon
21	Robinol, Eddie	44	Villasenor, Rich	66	Baided, Kelvin
22	Rush, Nikolas	45	Villaver, Essaye	67	Bano, Rob
23	Rutherford, Jarrett	46	Wakita, Adam	68	Bartolome-Fabela, Efren

WATER or JUICE**R I C E**Paper Plates, Napkins, and
Forks**100 of each***CHILLED: 2 Cases each*

Basques, Jared
Basques, Jerald
Blakeley, Matt
Bush, C.J
Cabaccong, Noah
Cadaoas, Jacob
Canyon, Tahje
Carranza, Shain
Chappelle, Samson
Cheong, Thomas
Chun, Nakoa
Colean, Cody
Copeland, Gary
Cortez, Ryan
Dia, CJ
Dillon, Carlos
Egami, Michael
Eselu, Lasi
Eselu, Noa
Esposito, Nick
Fa'agau, Travis
Farinas, Victor
Feliciano, Shayne
Fialauga, Austin
Fiatoa, Maxwell
Francisco, Adam
Fujiwara, Kyle
Gill, Darreon

1	Gonsalves, Cannon
2	Hamasaki, Chasen
3	Hattori, Kawika
4	Herrador, Mitchel
5	Herrera, Cipriano
6	Hines, Emmanuel
7	Huff, Matt
8	Hunter, David
9	Hunter, Dwayne
10	Ishihara, Ryan
11	Jay, Kevin
12	Johnson, Keenan
D E S S E R T	
1	Jones, James
2	Jones, Micah
3	Kahalepuna, Alika
4	Kaholoa'a, Kainoa
5	Kalua, Pono
6	Kaneshiro, Reid
7	Kaulukukui, Keoni

1	Kealohi, Rodney
2	Kelai, Daniel
3	Kim, Aaron
4	Kim, Christian
5	Lockett, Anthony
6	Loyd, Chris
7	Loyd, Frank

Salad Tossed

1	Luong, Anthony
2	Lyle, Mario

Potato/Macaroni

1	Magallon, Jose
2	Maio, Micah
3	Malakai-Park, Chris
4	Marshall, Chance

Moanalua vs Anuenue:

September 5, 2009

@ Kaiser Stadium

Football 'Ohana Potluck Dinner

on

Thursday, Sept. 3, 2009**@ MoHS Cafeteria****@ 6:30 p.m.**

Fundraising & Mene Thanks

From your Parent Volunteer Group.
Saturday, 8/29/2009 Steak/Chicken Plate Fundraiser

I have to say: For the most part, inaugural fundraisers usually have many bumps and tribulations, but ours is the exception! To say it was a HUGE success is putting it extremely mild. There are just no words to describe the awesome pride that I have right about now.

The steaks were tender, juicy and just delicious as was the moist and crispy fried chicken. Blazin' Steaks and KFC have nothing on your Na Menehune dinner plates.

Uncles Matt Pieper (Kawika), Richard Villasenor (Rich), Tony Lockett (Anthony), Brian Egami (Mike), Frank Loyd (Frank, JR and Chris), and Jaime Mendoza (Emilio) manned the grills from 7am. Uncles Fia (Dillion Turk) and Ralph Maio (Michah) carved a gazillion pounds of steak. Uncle Dan Carranza (Shaine) was our fry cook for the entire gazillion pounds of chicken, only taking a couple of breathers. Uncles Charvis Bush (CJ), Herring Kalua (Pono), Craig Hamasaki (Chasen), and 2 others who's names escape me (please forgive) provided relief at the grills, filling pans of rice and corn, and providing parent supervision of our boys sign waving on the sidelines.

To the players who were runners, held signs, and packed and served plates - a HUGE thank you. To Coach Harper who is always there to help where ever and all over - THANKS!! To Coaches James and Ray - THANKS for supervising our players so no one got hurt. Oh, and the players who held signs and break-danced in the streets - A REALLY HUGE mahalo for the entertainment, but this Aunty is SO happy you all are safe.

Aunties Lee Ann Lafortune (Brady), Evie Carranza (Shaine), Lori Hamasaki (Chasen), Christine Mendoza (Emilio), Pam Ishihara (Ryan), Tammy Maio (Michah), Audrey Ragragola (Keenan), Romy Hatae-Brown (Taylor Tanaka), Sandy Pieper (Kawika), Angela Collins (Tahje Canyon) - Thanks!! You ladies are awesome. And let's not forget Aunties RaeRae Kalua (Pono), and Shelly Villasenor (Rich); the food preparation and assembly lines ran like greased lightning. To the other mothers and fathers that came to help, I sincerely apologize who's names also escape me, but I wanted to say - Thanks!!

To all of the players who came out to help and some stayed way beyond their assigned shifts - THANK YOU!!!!

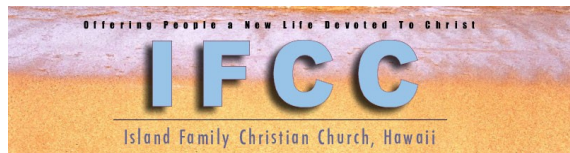
I know I forgot some names and for that I apologize. But I really wanted to say a huge "thank you" to every one that sold tickets, got donations and helped at the fundraiser. For me, to see everyone today, working so hard but enjoying the day was just pure treasure! We really are a family; an ohana, and you all have to be very proud of your Na Menehune football program.

It does take a village to care for a child, but at MOHS, our village towers above the rest.

THANK YOU FAMILY!! Don't stop believing - I know I wont.

As a great friend always says; Many Blessings to you all.

~Nadyne Egami



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