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# Cavalier Football Weekly

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## MAC in the Playoffs

For the 2nd consecutive season 3 MAC schools competed for a State Championship and all call Mercer County home!

### D6 State Final

Kirtland (14-1) 22  
Marion Local (13-2) 20

### D7 State Final

Mogadore (13-2) 14  
Fort Recovery (13-2) 33



## Cavs Stat Bites

- ◆ Only undefeated team in Ohio
- ◆ 23 consecutive victories
- ◆ Combined 1st Quarter Score: 200-0, 1st Half Score: 382-29
- ◆ Offense scored on first possession in 13 of 15 games
- ◆ The Cavs never trailed this season.
- ◆ Running clock in 17 of 30 second half quarters
- ◆ Jack Hemmelgarn: 72% passing - 197 of 275 for 3024 yards
- ◆ Aaron Harlamert: 63 receptions for 1122 yards & 14 TDs
- ◆ Chris Post: teams leading scorer 25 TDs - 150 points
- ◆ Tony Rammel: 115 tackles.
- ◆ Kraig Schoenherr, Andrew Gillum & Malave Bettinger 11 tackles for loss
- ◆ Gillium & Bettinger 4 QB Sacks
- ◆ Kyle McKibben: 6 interceptions
- ◆ McKibben: 66 of 73 PATs and 4 of 4 Field Goals
- ◆ 21st post season appearance 19th consecutive appearance
- ◆ Post season record: 65-15
- ◆ State Finals record: 6-5
- ◆ 7th consecutive State Finals
- ◆ FOUR time defending Division 5 State Champions
- ◆ 202 wins since 2000; more than any school in any division in Ohio
- ◆ 4th straight season the seniors have played in 60 games
- ◆ 57-3 or 96%: Seniors class high school record

## Cavaliers Defeat Crusaders in D5 Championship Game

The Coldwater Cavaliers completed their 7<sup>th</sup> straight trip to the OHSAA State Championships and for the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive season hoisted the Championship trophy with a 35-18 victory over the Canton Central Catholic Crusaders Friday morning at Ohio Stadium.

As in the 14 previous games this season, the Cavaliers employed the same script. They won the toss and deferred to the second half. They forced their opponent to punt on their first possession. They took the ball for the first time and drove down the field to put the first points of the game on the scoreboard. They held their opponent scoreless in the first quarter. They scored on their opening possession of the second half and continued to push the ball downfield while the defense held the opponents offense in check. That is what has worked all season and it worked again in week 15.

After CCC opened the game with a three and out, the Cavs used 9 plays including a 38 yard pass play from Jack Hemmelgarn to Aaron Harlamert on a first and 10 play to put the ball on the CCC 10 yard line. Three plays later Kraig Schoenherr stretched the ball over the goal line and the Cav led 7-0 after Kyle McKibben's PAT kick.

The Crusaders then put up their best drive of the day as they drove 52 yards in 14 plays to the Cavalier 23 where on 4<sup>th</sup> down Dan Mills kicked a 40 yard field goal to cut the deficit to 4 at 7-3.

Coldwater wasted little time in answering that field goal as they drove 80 yards in just four plays. The first play completely shocked the Crusaders. Hemmelgarn dropped back to pass and found Harlamert on a curl pattern in the right flat. Aaron caught the ball and immediately flipped the ball back to a streaking Schoenherr along the sidelines.

Shanny stiff armed 3 tacklers to the ground and broke tackle attempts by five others before being stopped 67 yards later at the CCC 13. Three plays later Hemmy found Harley in the end zone and Coldwater moved out front 13-3 after the PAT missed the mark.

That touchdown marked the 11 consecutive possession that Coldwater scored on CCC dating back to last season's title game where Coldwater score on all nine of their possessions.

The teams traded fumbles and punts over their next 7 possessions which also including two interceptions by McKibben, one on the final play of the first half. The teams adjourned to their locker rooms with Coldwater holding a slim lead at 13-3.

To start the second half the Cavaliers employed ball and clock control as they took the kickoff and used 7 runs and five passes to advance to the CCC 35 yard line. Hemmy then found Kibby down the middle for 33 yards and Chris Post, still nursing a sore ankle got his touchdown on a two yard run. Coldwater lead 20-3.

The next time Coldwater got the ball Hemmy found Harley for the last touchdown in their careers on a 33 yard strike that put a dagger in the Crusaders heart and the Cavs led 27-3.

But wait, the dragon was not dead yet! Platek found the fastest man on the field John Colangelo wide open in the middle of the field and he sprinted 74 yards for a touchdown. Coldwater still led 27-11 with 2 minutes left in the third.

Once again the Cavaliers did not allow a good deed to go unpunished as Neal Muhlenkamp returned a short kickoff 38 yards to the CCC 45 yard line to put the Cavs in scoring position again. The Cavs pounded the Crusader on eight running plays

and 2 pass plays ending when Shaney scored again from four yards out to give Coldwater a commanding 35-11 with just 9:36 to play.

At that point Head Coach Chip Otten allowed other seniors and second stringers to get some prime time on the Ohio Stadium turf. CCC did put up one final score with just 1:40 to play to set the final score 35-18.

In two meetings between the schools in the D5 Championship the past two seasons in Columbus, the Cavs outscored the Crusaders 97-39. The win capped off the 7th undefeated season in Cavalier football history, their first since 2012.

In only his 18<sup>th</sup> and final start at Quarterback Hemmelgarn finished 18 of 27 passing for 287 yards, 2 touchdowns and 0 interceptions. On the ground the Cavs were led by Schoenherr's 73 yards on 20 carries and 2 touchdowns. Schoenherr finished as the Cavs 2nd leading receiver on the day as well as he hauled in 3 passes for 80 yards.

Aaron Harlamert finished with 7 catches for 142 yards and 2 touchdowns to become only the 5th Coldwater receiver to have 1,000+ yards receiving in a season.

A big defensive effort on the day was fueled by Kyle McKibben's 2 picks, Neal Muhlenkamp's 12 tackles and Mitch Clune's 8 for a defense that came in as the top defense all-time at Coldwater for points allowed in a 15 game season at 81. The Cavaliers defensive unit finished the season allowing just 99 points.

### OHSAA State Football Champions 2005 2007 2012 2013 2014 2015

