

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Big plays get you to the table

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WEST WINDSOR — The obvious question now is what are Jahid Bryant and Dennis Hernandez going to do for an encore.

Bryant, Lawrence High's sophomore running back, had his most runs ever, while Hernandez, Nottingham's sophomore defensive end, had the longest run of his football life.

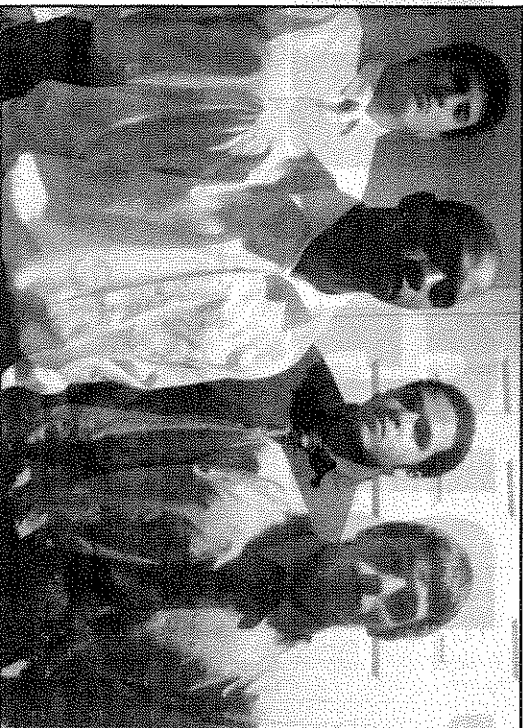
It led their respective teams to dramatic and last-second Colonial Valley Conference wins on Saturday, and last night had them sharing the spotlight at the 12th Man TD Club weekly awards dinner at the Mercer Lake Boatouse.

Hernandez was the Special Teams Player of the Week after he blocked a potential winning field goal attempt by Hamilton and ran the ball 90 yards for the winning points and a 41-35 victory for Nottingham.

While Hernandez earned his moment in the spotlight with one long run, it took Bryant 40 carries and a career-high 187 yards to earn Lawrence a overtime victory over Trenton. Bryant ran two yards for the winning touchdown in a 20-14 Cardinals win.

"I've got to give it to my offensive line. They made it happen," said Bryant, who has been over 100 yards in four of the Cards' five starts and is among the CVC leaders with 636 yards.

The current CVC rushing leader — Sean Reed of West



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The 12th Man TD Club players of the week are (from left) defensive lineman Leo Chubnistvili of Hun, offensive back Jahid Bryant of Lawrence, offensive lineman Justin Dawabani of Pennington and special teamer Dennis Hernandez of Nottingham. Defensive back Sean Reed of WW-P North is not pictured.

Windsor North — also was one of the Player of the Week honorees, but for his defensive prowess in the Knights' 43-17 win over Allentown.

Reed, who tops the CVC with 746 yards and 11 touchdowns and ran for 278 yards and three touchdowns against Allentown, was cited for his defensive prowess as he came up with several key stops from his defensive back slot and also intercepted a pass and returned it 20 yards for a touchdown.

He missed the dinner while recovering from the flu. Bryant, who has been the main back in the Lawrence offense since Keith Sherman went out with an MCL sprain two games ago, said he never expected to be called on 40 times. But it was windy and it kept QB Chris Coyle from passing that much.

"It really didn't feel like it was 40 carries. I just wanted to play," said Bryant. Hernandez's heroics capped the greatest comeback in CVC history as the Northstars won

their second straight by beating their township rival for the third time in five years. The last four games in the series have been decided in the final minute, with Nottingham winning on the game-ending play the last two years.

Hernandez credited the leadership by seniors like quarterback Mark Newlin for keeping the Stars' spirits up when they fell behind 35-7 midway in the third period.

As he broke off the left side of the Nottingham defense he had an open path to the kicker. So he ran directly for the block, and had the ball slam off his chest.

"It was a great feeling when I picked it up and had all my guys around me giving me blocks down the sideline," he said.

CVC STATISTICS

(Through Games of Oct. 10)
Rushing Leaders

Player, School	Runs	Yards	TDs	Avg.
Sean Reed, WW-P North	108	746	11	6.9
David Ogburnaya, Ewing	79	696	8	8.0
Ross Scheuerman, Allentown	86	640	9	7.4
Ransford Quarrie, Notre Dame	99	640	7	6.5
Jahid Bryant, Lawrence	108	636	5	5.9
Josh Gordon, Princeton	90	512	3	5.6
Chris Jones, WW-P South	96	435	3	4.5
Jamie Williams, Hamilton	96	421	4	4.3
Ted Fuly, Trenton	105	384	3	3.8
Andie Sirmoms, Nottingham	70	384	2	4.7
x-Drew Semple, Hopewell Valley	61	310	3	5.1
Keith Sherman, Lawrence	30	290	6	9.6
Andy Vital, Nottingham	42	280	1	6.5
Anthony Perna, Notre Dame	46	266	6	5.7
Trevor Barsamian, Princeton	57	260	3	4.6
Dan Danao, Steiert	29	210	1	7.2
Ryan Phelan, WW-P North	48	174	1	3.6
x-Thomas Powell, Hightstown	47	129	0	2.7
x-Sam Roskos, Hopewell Valley	17	120	1	7.1
Chris Matthews, WW-P South	28	122	0	4.3
Len Bellezza, WW-P North	32	118	2	3.8

Passing Leaders

Player, School	Passing	Yards	TD	Pct
Mark Newlin, Nottingham	51-96-4	773	8	53.1
Anthony Perna, Notre Dame	46-81-2	713	7	56.7
Mike Orlentine, Princeton	39-86-7	581	4	45.8
Chris Coyle, Lawrence	36-69-4	552	7	52.1
Ryan Phelan, WW-P North	28-57-3	467	3	49.1
Steven Arnold, Ewing	23-46-3	429	6	60.4
Jake DeAngelo, Hamilton	20-44-3	353	3	45.4
x-Kevin Monahan, Hightstown	32-76-1	346	3	42.1
Sean Eccles, Allentown	24-58-5	339	1	41.3
Zack Donahue, WW-P South	21-45-2	323	5	46.6
x-Drew Semple, Hopewell Valley	23-54-6	278	3	42.5
Adam Reise, Steiert	17-41-0	129	1	41.4
x-Ryan DeAngelis, Robbinsville	7-24-2	117	0	29.1
Davante Abner, Trenton	6-24-2	110	1	25.0

Receiving Leaders

Player, School	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg.
Robert Wiggs, Nottingham	29	489	4	16.9
Nick Miranda, Princeton	15	222	1	14.9
Ryan Lynady, Notre Dame	15	131	1	8.7
Justin Adams, Notre Dame	12	263	1	21.9
Matt Mueller, Allentown	11	198	1	18.0
Dan Danao, Steiert	10	116	1	11.6
Keith Sherman, Lawrence	10	85	0	8.5
Azadean Coleman, Lawrence	9	184	2	20.4
Daryl Griffin, Ewing	9	108	1	12.0
Drew Kenavan, WW-P North	8	174	3	21.7
Nick Brackett, Lawrence	7	81	1	11.5
Adam Devigli, Nottingham	7	101	1	14.4
Eric Boyden, Notre Dame	7	75	2	10.7
Nick Mongiello, Hightstown	7	70	0	10.0

Scoring Leaders

Player, School	TD	PATs	FG	PTS.
Sean Reed, WW-P North	11	4	0	70
David Ogburnaya, Ewing	9	0	0	54
Ross Scheuerman, Allentown	8	0	0	48
Ransford Quarrie, Notre Dame	6	1	0	38
Mark Newlin, Nottingham	6	1	0	38
Anthony Perna, Notre Dame	6	0	0	36
Keith Sherman, Lawrence	6	0	0	30
Robert Wiggs, Nottingham	5	0	0	30
George Solulich, Notre Dame	5	0	5	29
Trevor Barsamian, Princeton	4	14	0	26
Josh Gordon, Princeton	4	2	0	24
Jahid Bryant, Lawrence	4	0	0	24
Jake D'Angelo, Hamilton	4	0	0	24
Jamie Williams, Hamilton	4	0	0	24
Teddy Fuly, Trenton	3	3	0	21
Drew Semple, Hopewell Valley	3	0	0	18
Drew Kenavan, WW-P North	3	0	0	18
Len Bellezza, WW-P North	3	0	0	18
Chris Jones, WW-P South	3	0	4	18
Brian Vielen, Princeton	3	3	0	15
Andrew Melvin, Nottingham	0	15	0	15
Todd Petrone, WW-P North	0	12	0	15
Robert Pressley-Harris, Nottingham	0	0	0	12
Azadean Coleman, Lawrence	2	0	0	12
Charlie Morreale, Lawrence	2	0	0	12

Sack Leaders

Player, School	Sacks
R Reggie Lockhard (Nottingham) 4.0 - 21; Connor Bayliff (Notre Dame) 4.0 - 12;	
Jonathan Pule (Steiert) 3.0 - 10; Len Bellezza (WW-P North) 2.5 - 15; Mark	
Jonnsun (Notre Dame) 2.0 - 20; Mike Garofola (Steiert) 2.0 - 11; Chris Carney	
(Notre Dame) 2.0 - 8; Chris Stakoski (Notre Dame) 2.0 - 7.	

Interception Leaders

Player, School	Inters
Jamali King (Trenton) 3; Andy Vital (Nottingham) 2; Jeff Hoffman (Trenton) 2;	
Darrell Hudson (Lawrence) 2; Jared Rubenstein (WW-P South) 2.	

x - denotes last week's game stats not included

12TH MAN TD CLUB PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSIVE BACK: Jahid Bryant, Lawrence. The Cardinals sophomore running back maintained his average of 100 yards a game rushing with his 40 carries for a career-high 183 yards and two touchdowns earned the Cardinals a 20-14 overtime win at Trenton. His 2-yard TD in overtime won the game.

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN: Jason Dawabani, Pennington. A two-way lineman for the Red Raiders who plays every position on the offensive line but center, led the blocking that produced over 250 yards total offense as Pennington won its second straight.

DEFENSIVE BACK: Sean Reed, WW-P North. Once again the Knights senior was awesome on both sides of the line sparking a 43-17 win over Allentown that clinched at least a share of the CVC Patriot Division title. In addition to gaining 268 yards and rushing for three touchdowns, the senior speedster also had numerous tackles on defense and a 20-yard interception return for a touchdown.

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN: Leo Chubnistvili, Hun School. The Raiders dominating defensive line standout had a huge game in a Middle Atlantic Prep League win over Lawrenceville as he had seven tackles, two sacks, and three other tackles for losses in a 23-9 victory.

SPECIAL TEAMS: Dennis Hernandez, Nottingham. In a game that produced countless heroics for the Northstars soph defensive end Hernandez earned his spot in Northstars football history when he blocked a game-ending field goal try that could have won the game for Hamilton. Hernandez blocked the FG with less than 2.5 seconds left in game, scooped it up and ran 90 for game winning TD to give in his first-ever taste of the Nottingham/Hamilton rivalry.

CVC STANDINGS

Division	Team	W	L	Overall
Colonial Division	W	1	0	1
League	L	0	1	0
Overall	W	1	0	1
Overall	L	0	1	0
Valley Division	W	1	0	1
League	L	0	1	0
Overall	W	1	0	1
Overall	L	0	1	0