Malvern revs its scoring machine

The Friars opened their Inter-Ac campaign by cruising to a 48-14 win over Germantown Academy.

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FORT WASHINGTON — It took only 1 minute and 12 seconds on Saturday for Malvern Prep to show its dominance over Germantown Academy.

That was when Malvern's Derek Downs cruised 58 yards to a touchdown on the Friars' second play from scrimmage. By the end of the day, in a driving rain, the Friars had thoroughly pounded the Patriots, 48-14, in an Inter-Ac matchup.

"We figured we could run on them at will," said Gamp Pellegrini, coach of the Friars (5-0 overall, 1-0 league). "Our running backs are great, they can really go."

Germantown Academy (3-3, 0-1) found out how well they could run,

as five Friars backs accounted for 335 of the team's 337 total yards and seven touchdowns.

"There were so many holes to run through, we had a lot of room," Pellegrini said. "I was very pleased with the way our guys played today."

After the defeat, Germantown Acadèmy coach Bill Caum had only this to say: "They played well."

The scoring started early for the Friars. Downs, who had two TDs, scored his second on a 62-yard scamper at 11:02 in the second quarter to make the score 14-0.

Two minutes later, Toby Booker went in from 30 yards out, and Joe Nangle had TD runs of 12 and 3 yards to put the Friars ahead, 35-0, at halftime. Chris Downs got into the action in the third quarter, running in from 28 yards out with 4:54 remaining.

The Patriots got on the board in the third quarter when quarterback Rob Heleniak hit Steve Sharkey on a 4-yard TD strike.

But Chris Downs was not finished. He rumbled 54 yards on the final play of the third quarter to give the Friars a 48-7 lead.

The Patriots' Stephen Reed finished the scoring with a 74-yard run at 11:16 in the fourth quarter.

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