

Malvern Prep's Chris Downs (21) scored touchdowns on runs of 4, 30 and 50 yards in a 45-6 victory over Sun Valley on Friday. The senior had a fourth TD negated by a penalty.

Malvern Prep routs Sun Valley

The Friars' passing game complemented running back Chris Downs' 200-yard performance.

By David T. Shaw
PHILADELPHIA — The key to beating Malvern Prep is stopping the Friars' running back Chris Downs. Unfortunately for them, opposing teams now have something else to worry about — quarterback Shaun Gallagher's right arm.

Downs had another great performance Friday night, and Gallagher stepped up to help make about work of Sun Valley in a 45-6 win.

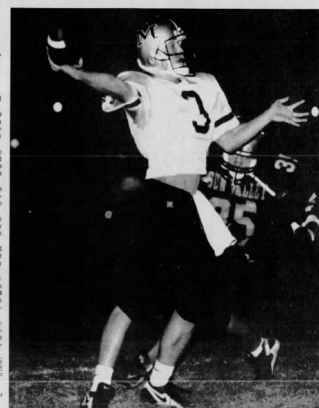
Gallagher was also 12 passing for 146 yards and three touchdowns, thanks to the station of coach Camp Pellegrini.

"Malvern Prep can throw the ball," Pellegrini declared after his team improved to 4-1. "Shaun Gallagher has had all the tools and special ability but just hasn't been able to show it. Tonight he did. This is going to do a lot for his confidence and his team's confidence."

Gallagher entered the game having completed 11 of 42 passes for 182 yards. He came out with newfound zeal.

"I've been struggling with my confidence and trust. Everything I've done has been a bust. I've had the right I got it all back. The line backed up, and I got that ball in what I can do with a little bit of time."

And, of course, Downs pitched in.



Malvern's Shaun Gallagher tries to get a pass off as Sun Valley's Tim Scarpone (number 30) Gallagher completed 9 of 12 passes for 146 yards. He had just 11 completions all season before Friday's game.

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