October 19, 2002 - Kalamazoo College vs. Olivet College (MIAA Contest)

KALAMAZOO, Mich. - Kalamazoo College's football homecoming was spoiled as Olivet College defeated the Hornets 49-34 on a cold and overcast day at Angell Field.

Olivet's ground attack controlled the game. The Comets ran the ball 69 times for 392 yards, with three different players rushing for over 100 yards. Mick Fassen had 169 yards on 23 carries. Travis Sleight had 109 yards on 22 carries. Damien Brown finished with 103 yards on 12 carries. Each scored one touchdown. Dwight Houston also found the endzone despite having only three carries for five yards.

Olivet quarterback Rick Mason had only eight pass attempts in the entire game, but he made the most of those opportunities as he completed six passes for 112 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions. Running back Travis Sleight had three catches for 70 yards with two receiving touchdowns. Andy Storey had two catches for 25 yards and a touchdown.

The Hornets' offense matched its average in terms of yardage, however two interceptions in the first half led to a pair of Olivet touchdowns.

Bryan Gnyp was 22-of-35 passing for 305 yards with four touchdowns and two interceptions. He was sacked three times. Gnyp has 21 touchdown passes this season, the second-highest single-season total in school history.

T.J. Thayer led the Hornets with 120 yards on seven catches. Andy Graham made eight catches for 87 yards with three touchdowns. Graham now has 111 catches in his career, tying him for second-best with Wade Thomson on the Hornets' all-time list. Graham now has 1,520 career receiving yards, moving him to fourth place on the all-time list. Zach Ellis made three catches for 67 yards. Ben Farkas and Zach Burton each had two catches, with Burton reaching the end zone on one.

Dwight White rushed for 62 yards on 15 carries with one touchdown.

Kyle Bainbridge and Jeremy Vanisacker each had 15 tackles to lead the Hornet defense. Dan Derksen had 13 tackles and Brent Klein finished with 10. Brett Foster had a quarterback sack.

Kalamazoo will host Albion College next week at 1 p.m.

Game Statistics