

1982

***Class D-2 (Eight-Man-2)---Quarterfinals:**

(9-0) Hordville 44-12 Niobrara (6-3) (@ Hordville)
(7-2) Trumbull 46-28 Arthur (6-1) (@ Trumbull)
(8-1) Loomis 55-34 Bartley (7-1) (@ Loomis)
(9-0) Odell 56-30 Elwood (7-2) (@ Humphrey, 8:30)

Semifinals:

(10-0) Hordville 26-18 Trumbull (8-2) (@ Trumbull)
(10-0) Odell 54-34 Loomis (9-1) (@ Odell)

Final: (@ Odell) (11-0) Odell 66-22 Hordville (11-0)

Champion: Odell (12-0), Head Coach - Darrell Vitosh

**Kelly Haecker won the 1982 state rushing title while also leading his team to a 66-22 victory over Hordville. The 5-10, 154 pound Odell whiz scored six touchdowns (four after intermission to break open a game). Hordville had the ball 21 out of the first 22 plays of the game. The one single play Tigers had the football, Haecker escaped for a 48 yard TD scamper and then added a late second quarter 19 yard scoring run to forge the 16-16 deadlock at intermission.

But it was all Odell and Haecker after the break.....immediately after the halftime break to be exact. Haecker set the tone by taking the 3rd quarter kick-off at his own one yard line, then sprinted 79 yards for the tie-breaking score. He then added a pair of 1 yard scoring runs and 23 yard TD sprint to spark a 2nd half Odell explosion that saw the Tigers outscore Hordville 50-6. Haecker ended the game with 173 yards on 17 carries, while Hordville's Todd Tyler, the running back he would outdistance by 213 yards for the state rushing crown, was held to 118 yards on 26 totes. Tyler did score all three Hordville touchdowns with runs of 6, 1 and 4 yards respectively.

1982 Class D-2 (Eight Man 2) Offense

End----Kevin Renner-Palisade, 5-10, 155, Senior
End----Steve Prenzlow-Snyder, 6-1, 178, Senior
Guard-Jeff Kallhoff-Clearwater, 6-3, 200, Junior
Guard-Dennis Weyer-Odell, 6-1, 202, Junior
Center-Lance Storer*-Arthur, 6-3, 215, Senior
QB-----Brad Koehn-Niobrara, 6-0, 175, Senior
Back----Kelly Haecker*-Odell, 5-10, 154, Sr. (1,971 yards) (State Rushing Champ)
Back----Todd Tyler-Hordville, 6-0 185, Senior.....(1,758 yards)
Kicker--Rob Lewandowski-Arcadia, 6-2 190, Senior

1982 Class D-2 (Eight Man 2) Defense

End----Russ Raatz-Chester, 6-2, 170, Senior
End----Randy Kuhn-Murdock, 5-10, 180, Senior
MG----Brian Bankson-Hordville, 6-3, 220, Senior
LB-----Brian Maaske-Loomis, 6-3, 205, Senior
LB-----Kelly Evans-Elwood, 6-3, 190, Senior
LB-----Robb Samuelson-Trumbull, 6-1, 175, Senior....(1,023 yards)
DB----Kent Proud-Bartley, 5-11, 170, Senior.....(1,593 yards)
DB----Ju-nay Walker-Decatur, 6-1, 165, Senior
Punter-Dave Halbert-Hildreth, 6-1 , 180, Senior

***Honorable Mention:**

Fred Calabro-Arcadia; Dan Walker-Arthur; Chad Bailey-Benedict; Darrel Francescato-Big Springs; Brett Bratten-Brady; Barry Johnson-Brule; Terry Drury, Rod Johnson-Butte; Rick Koch-Campbell; Jeff Bolling-Clearwater; Brad Albrecht-Davenport; Matt Boyle-Elwood; Brian Kindscher-Guild Rock; Mike DeMers-Hordville; Tony Krings-Lexington St. Ann; Keith Huff-Lodgepole; Ray Benson, Darwin Hansen-Loomis; Rob Ford-Lyman; Shawn McDifft-Maywood; Jody Warner-Monroe; Tim Hoatson-Mullen; Dave Oehlerking, Brian Vogler-Murdock; Robert Hanzlik-Niobrara; Kern Gydesen, Scott Kostal, Bruce Vitosh-Odell; Greg Dose-Polk; Jeff Coufal-Prague; Corey Rathje, John Sutton-Rising City; Duane Renter-Snyder; Kevin Beckman, Luke Gottula-Table Rock; Eugene Consbruck (1,127 yards), Rob Samuelson (1,023 yards)-Trumbull; Bob Kosmacek-Wallace;

****A day later, in a game delayed by rain, ice, and snow---the Class D-1 (8-Man 1) State Title Game was played in Ansley.**

***Class D-1 (Eight-Man 1)---Quarterfinals:**

(9-0) Ansley 36-22 Elgin (7-1) (@ Ansley)
(8-0) Silver Creek 41-18 Crawford (8-0) (@ Silver Creek)
(9-0) Lawrence 57-6 Dalton-Leyton (9-0) (@ Lawrence)
(8-0) Humphrey 60-28 Nebraska City Lourdes (8-0) (@ Humphrey, 7:30)

Semifinals:

(10-0) Ansley 56-19 Silver Creek (9-0) (@ Silver Creek)
(10-0) Lawrence 50-12 Humphrey (9-0) (@ Humphrey)

Final: (@ Ansley) (11-0) Lawrence 67-8 Ansley (11-0)

Champion: Lawrence (12-0), Head Coach – Curt Johnson

**Two rare first quarter turnovers by Ansley, led to a pair of Lawrence touchdowns and sparked a 30-0 opening stanza for the Panthers, who never looked back. Lawrence executed their offense and defense to near perfection enroute to a 67-8 win over one of the most storied football programs in the state.

Lawrence All-Stater Bill Kucera led the onslaught with 108 yards rushing and 5 touchdowns including a 48 yard TD on the Panthers first play from scrimmage and he then proceeded to add a 5 yard score, a 79 yard kick-return, a 5 yard dash in the 3rd, and finally an 11 yard TD in the 4th.

The stout Lawrence defense limited Hall of Fame Coach Dan Moore's vaunted Ansley offense to 184 total yards for the afternoon. Meanwhile, the Panther's powerful rushing offense produced 241 yards in the game (51 more yards than Ansley's total offensive output). To this day, the 67-8 win by Lawrence is the most lopsided score in NSAA 8-Man football playoff history.

1982 Class D-1 (Eight Man 1) Offense

End----Paul Reilly-Spalding Academy, 6-3, 195, Senior
End----Greg Downey-Anselmo-Merna, 5-8, 140, Senior
Guard-Kenny Loper-Paxton, 6-1, 210, Senior
Guard-Steve Klabenes-Chambers, 6-1, 195, Senior
Center-Darren Wolfe-Macy, 6-1, 225, Senior
QB-----Ed Karmazin-Lawrence, 5-8, 150, Senior
Back----Russ Faimon-Lawrence, 5-9, 155, Senior.....(1,129 yards)
Back----Jeff Christensen-Humphrey, 6-0, 177, Senior.....(1,393 yards)
Kicker--Karl Davis-North Loup/Scotia, 6-0, 160, Senior

1982 Class D-1 (Eight Man 1) Defense

End----Randy Haarberg-Wauneta, 6-2, 205, Senior
End----Lee Herz-Lawrence, 5-10, 175, Senior
MG----Paul Kucera-Lawrence, 6-0, 187, Senior
LB----Scott Cape-Dalton Leyton, 6-0, 185, Senior
LB----Ed Menke-Lawrence, 5-11, 166, Senior
LB----Calvin Heithoff-Elgin, 6-1, 195, Senior.....
DB----Dave Muirhead-Ansley, 5-10, 175, Senior
DB----Rich Kielian-Silver Creek, 5-10, 175, Senior....(1,168 yards)
Punter-Greg Bauer-Culbertson, 6-0, 170, Senior

***Honorable Mention:**

Rob Griego, Randy Page-Adams; Rod Amsberry, Jerry McCaslin (1,223 yards)-Anselmo-Merna; Steve Crawford (1,444 yards)-Ansley; Jeff Ondrak, Dan Purcell-Arnold; Al Meredith, Jeff Ridder-Callaway; Rob Ahlers, Bill Buettner (1,037 yards)-Cedar Rapids; Greg Hoffman-Chambers; Steve Akeson (1,081 yards), Tom Olson-Chappell; Jeff Branting, Jerry Sundberg-Clarks; Jim Holscher (1,433 yards)-Cook Nemaha Valley; Jerry Stumph, Vince Veyra (1,082 yards)-Crawford; Matt Brown (1,281 yards)-Culbertson; Dan Cochran-Dawson-Verdon; Scott Roesler-Daykin Meridian; Wayne Pohlmann, Dean Schardt-Deshler; Alan Smith, Mark Williams-Elm Creek; Brad VanderHoef-Elmwood; Todd Bish, Rich Horn-Exeter; Randy Rising-Harrison; Mike Hinrichs-Giltner; Jeff Housh-Hay Springs; Scott Christensen, Greg Sjuts-Humphrey; Bill Kucera-Lawrence; Brad Baehr-Lewiston; Marty Horst, Greg Vath-Leyton; Doug Zimmer-Lynch; Wendy Grant, Shawn Parker-Macy; Willie Lehmann-Minatare; Rich Bussard, Lynn Heng-Nebraska City Lourdes; Tom Mills-Nebraska Deaf; Trent Erb-Orchard; John Hoxmeier-Orleans; Lonnie Fredrichson (1,567 yards), Donnie Fredrichson (1,267 yards)-Palmer; Dan Johnson-Pawnee City; Kraig Axmann, Dan Klein-Pleasanton; Mike Kozeal (1,695 yards), Kevin Martin-St. Edward; Fred White-Sargent; Marty Kennel, Russ Reinsch-Shickley; Chuck Kahl, Steve Pohl-Sidney St. Pats; Troy Euse, Rich Kielian (1,168 yards), Chris Klescz, Greg Rinkel-Silver Creek; Joe Carraher (1,287)-Spalding Academy; Tom Lammens-Spencer; Scott Egelhoff, Todd Steppett-Springview; Devin Empfield (1,434 Yards), Todd Godfrey, Don Polk-Stapleton; Bruce Stanley-Stella SE; Ken Hoffman-Stuart; Brian Pavlik-Verdigre; Dan Resmondo-Wauneta; Wayne Lienemann-Wilcox; Brian Kennedy (1,065)-Winnebago;