

1978 Eight-Man---Quarterfinals:

DENOTES: 8-Man Hall of Fame Inductee

(8-1) Bladen 40-26 Leyton (8-0)
(9-0) Dawson-Verdon 40-28 Hordville (9-0)
(8-0) Greeley 54-20 Trumbull (9-0)
(9-0) Beemer 56-12 Wallace (9-0)

Semifinals:

(10-0) Dawson-Verdon 34-14 Bladen (9-1)
(10-0) Beemer 48-20 Greeley (9-0)

Final:@ Dawson/Att. 2,200 (11-0) Beemer 35-28 Dawson-Verdon (11-0) (2 OT)

Champion: Beemer (12-0), Head Coach- Ron Peck

Two time thousand yard rusher **Craig Hass** rushed for 131 yards while leading Beemer to a thrilling 35-28, two overtime win over Dawson-Verdon. Beemer's Dan Wordekemper stopped Dawson-Verdon RB Dave Fischer with a head on collision at the 3 yard-line to prevent the Jets from scoring on the game's final play. Fischer ended the game with 160 yards on 40 totes, but Hall of Fame Coach Ron Peck's veer offense, produced three 100 yard rushers for the game in Craig Hass, David Mestl and Dale Holtz. Holtz scored the Bobcat's game winner on a fourth down run in the second overtime.

1978 Eight Man All-State Offense

End----Dan Ott-Trumbull, 6-1, 180, Senior

End----Lane Walker-Eustis, 6-2, 195, Senior

Guard-Doug Zach-Humphrey, 6-2, 225, Senior

Guard-Terry Heithoff-Elgin-Verdon, 6-2, 200, Senior

Center-Kim Asmus-Beemer, 5-11, 220, Senior -

QB-----Pat Haschke-Greeley, 6-0, 168, Senior

Back----**Craig Hass*-Beemer**, 5-8, 160, Junior.....(1,526 yards)

Back----Dave Fischer-Dawson-Verdon, 5-8,170, Senior.....(1,792 yards)

Kicker--Fred Schultz-Beemer, 5-10, 170, Senior

1978 Eight Man All-State Defense

End----Jeff Liberty-Dawson-Verdon, 5-11, 217, Senior

End----Tim Skinner-Hordville, 6-2, 205, Senior

Guard-Dan Wordekemper-Beemer, 6-3, 195, Senior

Guard-Dean Steinkuhler-Sterling, 6-2, 220, Senior

LB-----Mike Cooper Bladen, 6-3, 190, Senior

LB-----Kirk Wilson-Maywood, 6-2, 200, Senior.....(1,266 yards)

DB-----Mike Nordhues-Greeley, 5-9, 150, Senior

DB-----Jeff Struebing-Rising City, 5-9, 165, Senior

Punter-Blaine Ream-Bruning, 5-10, 180, Senior

***Honorable Mention:**

Bob Auxier, Rod Burget-Dawson-Verdon; Dan Hall-McCool Junction; Marty Fye-Wauneta; Mike Eastman-Giltner (1,004 yards); Bill Wilcox-Nebraska Christian (1,003 yards); Bruce Buhr-Filley; John Laflin, Kevin Malone-Lewiston (1,004 yards); Bryan Kroese, Brad Hesser-Adams; Kevin Duis-Odell; Mark Schoenholz-Bruning; Steve Pietzyk-Elm Creek; Bill Erb-Shickley; Brad Palensky-Bradshaw; Rick Micek-Shelby; John Hartman-Paxton (1,044 yards); Dallas Dodson-Maywood; John Beard, Mark Johnson-Decatur (1,035 yards); Mark Kroger-Rosalie; Terry Herchenbach, Rick Korth-Lindsay Holy Family; Lee Tomjack-Chambers; Tim Gabriel-Republican City (1,020 yards); Calvin Treat-Doniphan; Bill Armstrong-Elgin; Gene Colson-Bartley (1,109 yards); Dennis Turner-Loup County; Bob Zahm-Greeley; Donovan Schuster-Sterling; Gerald Frerichs-Leyton; Kevin Schuessler-Potter; Dan Ricehill-Winnebago.