



Photograph by Laurie Gaboard.

The Green Wave's Matt Clady (25) runs just out of the reach of Pomperaug's Don Lang in Tuesday's game at Pomperaug. It was the final game of the season for New Milford, which lost to a Panthers squad that's gone undefeated this year. The Green Wave finished 1-10.

Green Wave wraps season

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The New Milford football team closed out its season with a 42-15 defeat at the hands of SWC champion Pomperaug.

The Panthers (11-0) got off to quick start against the Green Wave (1-9), with a long

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touchdown run from Joe Melillo. On the Green Wave's first play on offense, it got an 11-yard pass play from sophomore quarterback Kevin Oberg to senior wide receiver T.J. Knapp.

Two plays later, Oberg ran to his right and was ready to pass the ball downfield when the ball slipped out of his hands. The ball was intercepted by linebacker Mike Kielt and he ran it back 45 yards to give the Panthers a 14-0 lead.

Pomperaug would score three more touchdowns by the quarter's end to jump out to a 35-0 lead.

"This is the kind of team where you can have all the success against them, but if you make one mistake, it'll turn into points," said New Milford coach Chuck Lynch.

Coach Lynch believed his team had a chance to stay with Pomperaug, but its size and strength was too much to overcome.

"Their size and strength is impressive," he said. "It's a sea of red coming at you. You just have to throw something at them and hope for the best. I knew they would have big plays, but I thought we could eliminate that to only one or two."

In the third quarter, the Green Wave got on the scoreboard with 5:14 remaining as Knapp would catch a 10-yard touchdown pass from Oberg in the left corner of the end zone. A two-point conversion then made the score 35-8. The key play of the drive was a leaping 28-yard catch by junior tailback Jamie Pisano on fourth and 11.

The Green Wave's final touchdown of the season came with 8:30 left in the fourth quarter as senior running back Matt Clady took an

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