

## **Saxons remain perfect with 45-21 victory at Norwich**

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NORTHFIELD, VT - Senior quarterback Paul Keeley (Caledonia, NY/Caledonia-Mumford) completed 23-of-28 passes for 290 yards and three touchdowns in the Saxons' 45-21 victory over host Norwich Saturday afternoon. Keeley became Alfred's all-time leader in career passing yards with 5,722, which moved him past the 5,712 tallied by 1984 AU graduate Glenn Law (1981-83). Keeley's completion percentage for the game was an impressive 82.1 percent, also a new school record, besting Law's 78.1 percent set against Rochester in 1983. The Saxons (4-0, 2-0 E8) scored the games first five touchdowns building a 35-0 lead with 4:50 left in the third. Senior wide out Saucobie Riley (Rochester, NY/Marshall) snagged a 33-yard touchdown pass from Keeley to open the scoring 3:09 into the contest. Sophomore tailback Vinson Hendrix (Rochester, NY/East) found the endzone from three yards out with two minutes to play in the first to put AU on top 14-0. Junior wideout Trevor Bork (Fishers, NY/Victor) caught a two-yard pass from Keeley midway through the second quarter and Hendrix scored on a nine-yard run with 47 seconds left in the half to give AU a 28-0 lead at intermission. Riley caught a 47-yard touchdown pass from Keeley to put the Saxons up 35-0 before Lemi Joyner scored on an 11-yard run with 2:11 left in the third to put Norwich on the board. In the fourth, Alfred got a one-yard touchdown run from senior tailback Elmer Newsome (Cadosia, NY/Hancock) and a 47-yard field goal from senior placekicker Chris Reynolds (Pittsford, NY/Pittsford Sutherland). Tailback Darnel Jackson had two fourth-quarter touchdown runs for the Cadets. Alfred rolled up 442 yards of total offense in the game. Hendrix finished with 108 yards on 24 carries, expanding his streak games with at least 100 yards rushing to four. Riley and Bork each had seven receptions, for 132 and 110 yards, respectively. The Saxons held Norwich to 99 yards on the ground. The AU defense was paced by junior defensive end Jake Syracuse (LeRoy, NY/LeRoy), who made seven tackles (one for loss) and a sack. Junior defensive back Ron Smith (Lyons, NY/Lyons) made his presence known in the secondary, picking off two passes and making five solo tackles, while senior defensemen Ryan Katta (Forestville, NY/Forestville) finished with six tackles (two for loss) and 1.5 sacks. Norwich quarterback Guerschom Jean Gilles finished with 200 yards passing, but was intercepted four times. Wide receiver George Whigham caught a team-high six passes for 75 yards. Jackson finished with 68 yards rushing to lead the Cadets. Linebacker Jason Springer led the Norwich defense with a game-high 10 tackles (five solo), while sophomore safety Donovan Brown had seven stops (six solo, one for loss). Alfred is in action next on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 1 p.m. when they host conference rival Hartwick College in Alfred's annual Homecoming Game.