

Sports



Cardinals elated over victory

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ST. LOUIS — Every member of the St. Louis Cardinals got a game ball for their upset victory over the previously unbeaten Dallas Cowboys — but Roy Green probably should have gotten three.

Besides playing on special teams and batting down two passes as a defensive back, Green also caught five passes for 89 yards, including a leaping, one-handed grab in the end zone for a 30-yard touchdown as St. Louis beat Dallas, 20-17.

"It was one of the greatest all-time catches I've ever seen in my life," Coach Jim Hanifan said of Green's score that put St. Louis ahead 17-10 early in the third quarter.

Green, a defensive back his first two years in the league, said he has been practicing catching with Pat Tilley, the Cardinals' All-Pro wide receiver.

"Tilley told me to try catching the ball with one hand in practice cause you have to concentrate a lot more," said Green. "I guess I owe it to Patty this one."

But Green's most important contribution might have come in the final drive, after Dallas

had scored on an 11-yard screen pass to Tony Dorsett to tie the game at 17-17.

With 4:28 remaining, St. Louis put the ball into play at its own 22 following a punt and a 15-yard unsportsmanlike penalty on Dallas' Timmy Newsome.

On the first play, Hart threw 20 yards to tight end Doug Marsh, who made a fingertip grab. On a second-and-10, Hart saw Green streaking across the middle and hit him with a 19-yarder to the Dallas 48.

Three running plays and a penalty later, the Cardinals faced a fourth-and-1. Neil O'Donoghue trotted out and kicked a 37-yard field goal with only 23 seconds left to give St. Louis its first victory over the Cowboys in eight games.

"You can't be too hyped up about it," O'Donoghue said of his last-minute heroics. "You gotta control your emotions. It's like a golf swing. I didn't try to rush it. Everything was under control as far as I was concerned."

O'Donoghue also recovered a fumble at the Dallas 9 on the opening kickoff to set up the Cardinals' first touchdown just 18 seconds into the game.

But Dallas veteran safety Charlie Waters said the Cowboys were done in by the savvy of Hart.

"The thing that hurt us was Hart's ability to cut us up like a surgeon in the last series," said Waters. "He knew exactly what he wanted to do."

"It seemed almost like he'd rather have it that way than be 20 points ahead."

Hart, however, agreed with the awarding of the game balls to every St. Louis player.

"Each third of the team had their backs to the walls and had to respond," said Hart, "the offense getting the ball into position for the field goal, the special teams kicking it and the defense holding them."

Green said the victory reminded him of a game last year in which Dallas scored with 25 seconds left to beat St. Louis.

"I was thinking about that all game and then when Neil comes in and kicks the field goal — I know how they felt cause we've felt it many times," said Green.

Hanifan said the victory, which gives St. Louis a 2-3 mark, puts the Cardinals "back into the hunt."

Weekend payoff salvages wins for Aggie soccer club

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The persistence and determination displayed during the past three weeks by the Texas A&M University men's soccer club was richly rewarded over the weekend.

The Aggies defeated Texas Christian University's varsity squad 3-2 Friday in Fort Worth, then returned home Sunday afternoon to shut out the University of Arkansas 3-0. The two Southwest Conference Soccer League wins raise the Aggies' overall record to 4-3-1, while the club's SWCSL record is 2-0-1.

with goals in the second half.

"Mainly it was an opportunity to look at the players who don't play too often," Franco said. "When you substitute a lot, it's hard to get the good, sharp passing all the time."

Franco said he's satisfied with the play of his club, and hopes that his players continue playing the "quality brand of soccer" they're playing now. He said the Aggies are on schedule for the conference championship which he said was a

"realistic goal" before the start of the season.

The club travels to Lubbock Saturday to play the Texas Tech soccer club at 1 p.m. Following that match, the Aggies play three non-conference matches before playing Southern Methodist University in the most important SWCSL matchup of the season. The varsity Mustangs have the most talented team in the SWC, and have been nationally ranked for two years.

After losing consecutive non-conference matches by scores of 2-0, 2-1 and 1-0, then playing the University of Texas to a 3-3 tie, the club welcomed the two wins.

Coach Telmo Franco said although the 3-2 score doesn't indicate it, the Aggies dominated the Horned Frogs throughout Friday's match. However, the victory didn't come easy for Texas A&M.

TCU scored the first two goals of the game during the first 20 minutes, but Franco said the scores were the only positive plays in the game for the Horned Frogs.

The Aggies' Neto Walsh scored about 30 minutes into the first half, and Paul Winston kicked the tying goal with five minutes remaining in the half. Winston scored on a penalty shot when teammate Curtis Eng was cut down from behind by one of the TCU players.

For 40 minutes of the second half neither team scored, and it seemed the Aggies would have to settle for another tie. However, Richard Zimmerman scored with about five minutes left in the game to give the Aggies the 3-2 win.

"This was a game that we had to win," Franco said. "As a result, the players were tense. Probably that's one of the reasons it looked like we weren't going to score (after tying the game)."

The Arkansas club didn't provide the Aggies with much of a challenge, as Franco played everyone on the team during Sunday's shutout. Forward Scott Gamble scored the first goal 10 minutes into the game, while teammates Carlos Gutierrez and Ramon Marin finished the scoring

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