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Another fantastic team: 1935 Loggers

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Before there was Ferndale, there was Eureka.

Ferndale High (9-1) ended its regular season last Saturday with their seventh shutout in 10 games.

The 2007 Wildcats, who have averaged 35.7 points per game while giving up just four points per contest, host Sacred Heart Prep (8-2) today at 1 p.m. in the NCS playoffs.

Included in the Wildcats' seven shutouts was a run of six consecutive season-ending whitewashings of Little 4 conference opponents South Fork and Hoopa -- both teams headed for the North Coast Section playoffs -- and St. Bernard's.

Many people wondered if any North Coast football team before Ferndale had ever shut out all of their league opponents, and the answer is yes -- provided courtesy of Mark McCulloch (aka Mr. Fish on Broadway).

You have to go back a few -- 72 -- years, but the 1935 Eureka Loggers -- known as the "Wonder Team" (not to be confused with the "Dream Team" of 2003) -- shut out all eight of their opponents.

The game-by-game scores of the 1935 team, coached by Jay Willard (think gymnasium), who averaged 35.2 points per game:

Eureka 38 Arcata 0

Eureka 34 Ferndale 0

Eureka 41 Del Norte 0

Eureka 18 Arcata 0

Eureka 47 Del Norte 0

Eureka 58 Fort Bragg 0

Eureka 6 North Sacramento 0

Eureka 40 Ferndale 0

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