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# Title tilts, broken records highlight holiday football

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Championships were clinched, records were broken, and tears were shed as football teams across the North Shore concluded their regular seasons on Thanksgiving morning.

Masconomet defeated North Andover, 42-14, in a winner-take-all situation to highlight the full slate of games. The Chieftains dominated their biggest rivals to capture the Cape Ann League Large and advance to the Division 2A playoffs, where they will play Gloucester on Tuesday.

Manchester-Essex, a 27-7 winner over Georgetown, also clinched the Commonwealth Conference Small title to lock up a spot in the Division 4 playoffs, and Swampscott rolled over Marblehead, 42-16, in its final tuneup before playing in the Division 3 postseason on Tuesday.

On the record-breaking front, Beverly's Greg Pierce ran for 206 yards to become the Panthers' all-time leader in single-season rushing yards. Pierce finished his senior year with 1,648 yards, breaking the mark set by Pat Bailey a year ago.

Bobby Tarr, meanwhile, closed out his high school football career at Bishop Fenwick by moving into second place on Massachusetts' all-time rushing list. Tarr accumulated 131 yards in his team's victory over Austin Prep, and he will graduate with 5,598 career rushing yards.

For more information on these games and others, turn to Page C1.