

MAD DOGS/CFL POSTGAME

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The star

-- Memphis kicker Nick Mystrom made all five of his field goal attempts, including the game-winning 37-yarder with 48 seconds to play. He also made the most of his only bad play. On the second play of the fourth quarter, holder Aaron Kanner couldn't handle the snap and the ball bounced to Mystrom, who picked it up and punted it out of bounds at the Shreveport 15. The unsung hero

-- Memphis defensive end Alex Gordon, who probably deserved CFL lineman of the week honors after making seven tackles and a sack in last week's 31-22 victory over Shreveport, came back with five tackles, two sacks and a fumble recovery Sunday.

By the numbers

7: The number of tackles that Shreveport running back Norman Bradford made. That's right, Bradford, a running back, led all players in tackles. One came when he ran down Memphis cornerback Donald Smith after a fourth-quarter interception to prevent a touchdown. The others were on special teams.

15-of-20: Mystrom's success rate on field goals this season.

8-of-20: What the other three Memphis kickers - Chris Gardner, Joe Allison and Donald Igwebuike - did, handing the job to Mystrom.

22: The Mad Dogs set a team record for points in a game at home.

100: The number of victories Mad Dogs head coach Pepper Rodgers has in his college and pro career.

4,371: That's an embarrassingly low turnstile count for such a beautiful Sunday afternoon. By the way, 10,173 tickets were distributed.

Injury report

-- During the second quarter, Memphis running back Bruce Perkins was run out of bounds near the end zone, hit the padded concrete wall and suffered a mild concussion. Memphis safety Eric Nelson suffered a bruised knee, and nose tackle Rob Waldrop suffered an injured tendon in a finger. However, all of the players could be ready for Sunday's game at Saskatchewan.

Notes

-- A key for Memphis quarterback Rickey Foggie, who passed for 250 yards but had a fumble and an interception to set up Shreveport points, was the counsel of Damon Allen.

This season, as well as the past two in Edmonton, it's usually been Foggie standing on the sidelines with kind words and pertinent suggestions whenever Allen struggled. But Allen, in uniform for the first time since suffering a knee injury Aug. 12 in Baltimore, helped Foggie this time.

Foggie maintained his composure until he could hit Joe Horn for 50 yards to set up Mystrom's field goal. He also completed seven passes on second-down plays to keep possessions alive.

"Everybody started getting excited on the sidelines, but he's the guy who can't," said Allen, who expects to play Sunday. "That's what I was telling him."

-- Shreveport owner Bernie Gieberman has begun exploring other locations for his franchise. Gieberman said he would like to stay, but the team must improve its season ticket base, sponsorship revenue and walkup sales.

Milwaukee; Louisville, Ky.; Columbus, Ohio; Norfolk, Va.; and Toledo, Ohio, have been mentioned as potential destinations.

-- Memphis rookie Anthony Jordan fumbled the opening kickoff, leading to a Shreveport field goal, but he rebounded to return five kickoffs for 152 yards and eight punts for 82 yards.

- By Thomas Harding and David Williams

Mad Dogs' next foe

-- Who: Saskatchewan Roughriders.

-- When, where: Sunday, 3 p.m. CDT, at Regina, Sask.

-- Previous game: On July 14, Memphis defeated Saskatchewan, 11-5.

In another CFL game

-- Kevin McDougall completed 16 of 26 passes for 258 yards, leading the Winnipeg Blue Bombers to a 25-24 victory over the visiting Saskatchewan Roughriders.