

CBC takes down Eureka

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CBC's Sam Carenza (left) battles for a head ball against Eureka's Ryan Gardner during the second half Tuesday at the Anheuser-Busch Center.

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FENTON — From the start, the CBC Cadets were in control of the Class 3 soccer sectional Tuesday evening against Eureka at the Anheuser-Busch Center. Still, the match was scoreless with about 15 minutes to play in the opening half.

Enter Sam Carenza.

The Cadets' senior stepped up to a free kick and delivered with a 35-yard blast to the far side of the goal. Carenza

would score again on second-half breakaway as CBC built a 4-0 lead before settling for a 4-2 victory.

CBC (23-4-3) advances to play Metro Catholic Conference rival Vianney (19-3-3) in the 1 p.m. quarterfinal Saturday at A-B Center. Vianney blasted Jackson 8-0 in their sectional match.

"It'll be huge," CBC coach Terry Michler said. "We're up against a really good team and playing them for the fourth time this year."

CBC is 2-0-1 against Vianney this season.

The Cadets, who defeated Eureka 2-0 earlier this fall, finally solved the Wildcats' pack-it-in plan with Carenza's long-range goal.

"Coach kept telling us how important that first goal would be, Carenza said. "Once we scored, it forced Eureka to open up a little more and that allowed us to get a couple of more."

CBC was able to pull away with a pair of early second-half goals. The Cadets' Justin Bilyeu made it 2-0 when his corner kick eluded Eureka keeper Alex Hilton and crossed the goal.

Four minutes later, CBC's Ryan Tinsley made it 3-0 with well-placed shot to the far side from 20 yards out. The CBC lead went to 4-0 midway through half when Carenza converted a long pass from

Kyle Malle.

Eureka (16-7-1) got goals from Jeff Wallner and Carlos Espinosa to make things interesting.

"There's always a lesson to be learned," Michler said. "We were in complete control and got sloppy. So now, it's time to work a little more on closing out the game."