Sports

Soccerbills advance to district finals

The Soccerbills wrapped up their regular season this past week with a tie against Chaminade and a win over Kennedy to conclude their regular season record at 17-4-2.

The Soccerbills played on a gloomy day last Thursday at Chaminade and struggled against a team they had previously beaten to come away with only a tie. Tony Ribaudo put the Jr. Bills ahead early when he headed a Mark Strothkamp pass into the net three minutes into the game.

For the majority of the rest of the half, the Chaminade Red Devils controlled the play, and they quickly struck back with two goals in the next ten minutes to take a 2-1 lead that shocked the Soccerbills. The Jr. Bills came close to tying the game many times but could not score until Pat Madigan received a pass from Jeff Bannister, beat the goalkeeper, and shot the ball past a defender into the open net. The half ended that way with the score tied 2-2.

In the second half, the Soccerbills pressed the Chaminade goal but were unable to capitalize and secure a victory with a winning goal. The game ended 2-2.

Saturday evening, the Soccerbills journeyed to Kennedy High School to face the Celts in the Soccerbills' final regular season game. After the Celts had to replace their injured goalkeeper early in the half, Tony Ribaudo scored a quick goal off the replacement keeper. The play developed from a cross by Tim McBride which slipped by a defender to the wide open Ribaudo. The Jr. Bills relied much on defense the rest of the half as they had few scoring chances but preserved a 1-0 lead at the half.

In the second half, the Soccerbills had a few good scoring opportunities but failed to add an insurance goal to their lead. The Celts kept continued pressure on the SLUH defense and came very close to scoring many times. Matt Wohlstadter preserved the shutout and helped the Soccerbills to a victory, making some superb saves near the end of the game and robbing the Celts of seemingly sure goals. The Soccerbills added a 1-0 victory to their record and awaited the approaching district playoffs optimistically.

The SLUH Soccerbills advanced to the final round of their district play Wednesday evening by handily defeating Southwest High School in our stadium. The Soccerbills struck very early when Jason Steuber scored from his own rebound just 40 seconds into the game. Tim McBride later scored his first goal of the season on a pass from Mark Strothkamp, which he headed off a defender and into the net. The second stringers then took the field with about twenty minutes remaining, and although they fired many shots toward the goal, none reached the back of the net during the remainder of the half.

The Jr. Bills came into the second half determined to increase their 2-0 lead. They came through on this desire as they pumped 5 goals into the net in the first twelve minutes of the half.

John Traina started off the scoring just thirty seconds into the half. Goals on a Strothkamp corner kick, another by Strothkamp, and others by McBride and Ribaudo followed. All these were assisted by Pat Madigan except for the corner kick goal. Strothkamplater added another from McBride to complete a hatrick. Jeff Bannister and John Anderson finished off the scoring for the Soccerbills with the assists going to Kevin Cobb and John Gambaro respectively. The final score came to 10-0, the highest for the Jr. Bills this season as they easily walked into the district finals against the Dragons of St. Mary's.

Dom Smith



Harriers end year, Luna advances to state

The Harriers ran in their Sectional Meet last Saturday at Jefferson Barracks Park. The top 4 teams in this race qualified to compete in the State Meet at Jefferson City. Unfortunately, the team finished sixth with a score of 140 points.

Despite the loss, junior Mickey Luna qualified to run at the State Meet as an individual. Luna's quick time of 16:48 on the 3.1 mile course placed him in 8th place. Behind Luna came senior John Sadlo. Sadlo ran an impressive time of 17:23 giving him 29th place, just 4 places short of qualifying. Junior Jerry Kester was right behind Sadlo with his 31st place time of 17:26. Seniors Brian Lawler and Jamie Cummings finished close together in a pack. Lawler finished 41st with a time of 17:48, and Cummings came in 45th with a time of 17:49.

Going into the meet, the Harriers ranked fifth just behind De Soto. Because of this placement, they had their sights set to defeat the De Soto squad. In spite of all their preparation, the team was caught by surprise by Cape Girardeau, which finished fourth with a score of 131 points. Though the Harriers are disappointed because they were eliminated from State as a team, they are even more disappointed by the fact that the new sectional assignments put them at a disadvantage. With the new assignments, the St. Louis area was divided into a North and South section with Highway 40 as the dividing line. As a result, SLUH was place in the South Section.

If put in the North Section, the Harriers' chances at State would have been much greater since the squad has beaten almost all of the teams in that section. The cause of this new assignment was to thin-out the competition and relieve the crowdedness at the State Meet. Presently this change means that teams in the Northern section have an easier chance of qualifying for State.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 Pep Rally at noon rec Varsity Football vs. CBC at Busch Stadium at 6:00 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 Cross Country State Water Polo State Championship Game at U. City at 8:00 PM Coronation on the Admiral from 7:45 PM to 12:00 AM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 Open House from 1:00 to 5:00 PM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7 Deadline for Senior Project Proposals Dismissal at 12:30 PM Parent-Teacher Conferences from 3:00 to 5:30 PM and 7:00 to 9:00 PM

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 Department Meetings - Homeroom begins at 9:00 AM Mock Election Soccer State Sectionals College Representatives: Drake U. at 12:30 PM Mahattanville C. at 12:45 PM Lafayette C. at 1:30 PM Georgetown U. at 1:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9 College Representatives: U. of Virginia at 8:30 AM Trinity U. (TX) at 1:00 PM Football Districts

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10 College Representatives: Fontbonne C. at 12:30 PM Southern Methodist U. at 12:30 PM St. Louis U. at 12:30 PM CA Institute of the Arts at 12:30 PM PACT Plus for sophomores during periods 1, 2, & 3 Backer Awards Dinner at 6:00 PM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11 Backer Awards Liturgy: Fr/So period 2A Jr/Sr period 2B College Representatives: Colgate U. at 8:30 AM Harvard U. at 9:30 AM Compiled by Christopher J. Brown

Sports Cross Country

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disappointing for the SLUH Cross Country Team, the fall season was very successful. With the number of returning seniors and the impressive talent shown by returning juniors and sophomores, the Harriers' depth and strength made it a force to contend with. Throughout the season, the SLUH runners had been consistently ranked 6th or 7th within the St. Louis Area. In addition, this Sectional Meet marks the closest the Harriers have been to qualifying for State as a team in about the last 20 years.

Throughout the season, the SLUH Harriers have had many successes. One



such highpoint was undoubtedly the Eureka Coed Invitational. SLUH took 1st place out of a field of 6 including Lafayette, who previously had always won this meet. This win also marked the 1st invitational SLUH has won in the last 25 years.

The team was also very successful at the Hazelwood Invitational, which was held at the infamous Sioux Passage Park (home of the "Man-Maker" hill). Out of the 28 teams that participated, SLUH

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finished an impressive 6th.

After Hazelwood, the Harriers' next impression was left at the Parkway West Invitational. The very wet and mud-slick conditions made for an interssting race. In the end, SLUH finished 2nd just behind Parkway West.

Later, at the De Smet "speedway" Invitational, the Bills took 2nd again to their arch rival De Smet. The Harriers took 2nd again behind De Smet in the 1st Annual Tiger Classic which was held on the relatively flat course on the SIUE campus. Finally, the Varsity Harriers made their last great showing at their District Meet in which they placed 2nd once again behind Parkway West.

Under the leadership of Coach Jim Linhares and Assistant Coach Jerry Harp, the season proved to be successful as well as fun. A great sense of unity and spirit was fostered within the team. It was this unity and spirit that brought the team throughout all the tough meets and workouts that helped "put the hay in the barn." This same "hay" was used by the JV and C Harriers whose season was marked by many 1st and 2nd place performances, ranking them among St. Louis' top teams. The tremendous talent shown by these young runners promises a SLUH "dynasty" in seasons to come.

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Varsity Soccer wins Districts against St. Mary's 1-0 after long, hardfought game with a goal by John Anderson assisted by Tony Ribaudo and Jeff Bannister with 4:30 left in the first overtime period.

According to Athletic Director Richard Wehner, the administration has adopted the following formula for the football game on Wednesday. If Hazelwood East wins, the game will be played Wednesday, 7:30 PM, at Lindenwood College and we will have a regular schedule. However, in the case that McCluer North wins, the game will be played Wednesday at 1:00 or 2:00 PM at McCluer North. The schedule for the school day will be similar to the one for Monday the 7th. On that day, dismissal is at 12:30.