

Harriers run into Sectionals

The past three weeks have been very good to the Harriers. The team took second when it hosted four other teams and then took third in Districts, qualifying for Sectionals.

On Thursday, October 15, the Harriers ran against CBC, DeSmet, DuBourg, and Vianney in Forest Park. The Harriers took second, pushing the Spartans of DeSmet hard for the win. In consideration of the stiff competition that they were up against, the Harriers had hoped to edge past the Vianney Griffins. Much to their surprise, the Harriers not only beat the Griffins, but also their top rivals CBC and DuBourg.

Leading the team to their second place finish were some Harriers that turned in outstanding individual times. As usual, sophomore Mickey Luna led the Varsity squad with his third place time of 17:25. Behind Luna, junior Angelo Directo came in fifth place with a time of 17:36.

Junior Brian Lawler finished on Directo's heels with a the seventh place time of 17:59. This race was espe-

cially significant for Lawler because it was the first time he broke the elusive 18 minute mark. Sophomore Jerry Kester finished fourth for the Harriers and 17th in the race with a time of 18:41. Right behind Kester was Junior John Sadlo in 18th place at 18:43.

Last Saturday, the Jr. Bills went to the Ladue Junior High School "Speedway" to race in their District Meet. The top four teams from Districts qualify for Sectionals. Out of the 10 teams that raced, SLUH finished third, qualifying them to run in the Sectionals tomorrow at Sioux Passage State Park. There they plan to be serious competitors.

As has been the case the last two years, the District race was held in heavy rain and cold temperatures. However, the Ladue Junior High course usually produces very fast times, often the best of the season.

Rain had been falling for thirty hours before the race, and the course was full of slick mud slides and shin-high puddles which slowed the runners' performances. Many run-

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POLOBILLS GO 5-1; RANKED #1

The Polobills finished their regular season on a high note, winning five of their last six and capturing the number one spot as they prepare for the League Tournament next week.

On October 16, the Water Warriors took on last year's State Champion, the Country Day Rams. Country Day scored first, but that goal was followed by a tidal wave of seven unanswered SLUH goals, three of them from sophomore Jeff Zimmerman. Meanwhile the Polobill tri-captains held Country Day's leading scorer, Johns Hopkins, scoreless. Though the Rams came back near the end of the game, they failed to close the gap, and the Polobills won 3-4. This victory, before the largest SLUH polo crowd of the year, catapulted the Jr. Bills to number one in the state.

After sinking Country Day, the Aqua Jocks swam past their opponents in the next three games, outscoring them 39-12. The first to sink were the Waterhounds of Clayton. Zimmerman continued his domination of opposing goalies,

scoring five off of Jeremy Schonfeld (regarded as the best goalie in the league). Josh Romeis and Jay Struckhoff both chipped in with two a piece to give the Polobills their tenth win by the score of 12-3.

Mike DeGreef scored three and Mike Kelly had two as the Polobills dunked the once mighty Lindbergh 15-6. Then the Jr. Bills clenched their top seat (for the second time in history) in the tournament by defeating the Vikings of Parkway North by the score of 12-3. Ted Baudendistel scored three and John Lake added two as the Water Warriors ended their season and handed Coach Busenhart a first place finish.

In a series of non-league games against CODASCO and Parkway West, the Aqua Jocks gathered momentum for the upcoming tournament. A fired up Country Day squad came out shooting and pulled to an early 3-0 lead. The Polobills, lacking the inspiration they had in the previous match,

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Gridbills lose 2

The floodgates opened the last two weeks upon the Jr. Bills as they lost both to the Columbia Kewpies and the DeSmet Spartans. These losses bring the Bills' overall record to 2-6.

When the Gridbills went to face the Kewpies, the rain started at seven o'clock and did not let up until the fourth quarter.

The Kewpies overcame the weather and the Jr. Bill defense and scored with 5:11 to play in the first quarter. Chris Turner capped off a short but powerful drive with a 1 yard run. The PAT was kicked through by Jeff Dockweiler, and the Kewpies led 7-0.

The Kewpies struck again early in the second quarter when quarterback Tony Kenny broke loose for a 60 yard touchdown run. Dockweiler added another point, and Columbia led 14-0.

Rain and the danger of lightning delayed the game for twenty minutes, and visibility was reduced making it hard to see across the field. The players were covered with mud, and the players' cleats tore the field to pieces. Yet the game went on.

Play resumed with the Kewpies receiving the ball on a punt by Scott Gilbert. Kenny dropped back to pass and found Leron Monroe, who slogged 53 yards for another touchdown. While attempting the PAT, the Kewpies fumbled, but the holder recovered the ball, bounced off a few tackles and passed the ball to the kicker, who ran in for two points. The score was then 22-0.

But the Gridbills were not to be shut out. Tim Hasteley led the Bills down the field where Brian Keenan capped the drive with a one yard touchdown run. The two point conversion failed, and the Kewpies ran out the remaining 2:56.

On another muddy day for football, the Spartans of DeSmet proved too tough for the Jr. Bills as they downed the Gridbills 14-0.

The Gridbills came onto the field psyched up for

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Water Polo

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maintained a tight defense but failed to hold the ball while setting up for offense. The Rams' third goal got SLUH back on track, and Baudendistel scored the first SLUH goal. A minute later, Zimmerman scored again to pull the Jr. Bills to within one.

In this game, unlike the first, CODASCO seemed out of reach. Every SLUH goal was answered by one or two from CODASCO. In the end, CODASCO came out on top 9-5. Mr. Busenhart felt it was wise to face Country Day only ten days before the possibility of seeing them in the state finals because "playing the best competition sharpens your game."

The next night SLUH went to Parkway West to face another one of the best teams, who happily gave SLUH all the competition it needed. The Longhorns took an early lead, but then Zimmerman got going to put in four goals in the first half. The spirit that had been absent against CODASCO resurfaced, and though some of the play was sloppy, the Jr. Bills remained intense.

In the third quarter, Zimmerman fired two more in and Baudendistel added a goal of his own to give the Jr. Bills a 7-4 lead going into the fourth quarter. West came right back, scoring on a penalty shot to cut the lead to two. The Water Warriors continued to play at high intensity, but West banged another one in and cut the lead to one. With a minute remaining, West tied the score at seven. After one more SLUH possession the game headed for overtime.

The Longhorns now had momentum on their side, but Zimmerman then struck with his seventh goal.

Baudendistel scored his second goal to give the Jr. Bills a 9-7 lead heading into the final quarter. Another penalty shot allowed West to pull within one goal, but Baudendistel then scored his third goal. West shot from half-pool to pull within one, but the game ended with the Jr. Bills on top by the score of 10-9.

Wednesday evening at 9 PM, the Aqua Jocks will play the winner of Monday's game between Parkway Central and U. City.

Jack Geist

Football

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their west county rivals. On their first drive, they moved down to the Spartan's 13 yard line. Scott Gilbert tried a 29-yard field goal attempt but sliced it wide to the right.

The Spartans got the ball on the SLUH 20 yard line. Three plays later Paul McCarthy broke through for a 60-yard run. Rob Chura then added the PAT to give DeSmet a 7-0 lead.

The defense of both teams controlled the game. Passes were knocked down and batted away; runs were stopped for small gains. The Gridbill

defense was led by Kevin McLaughlin, Scott Gilbert, and Sam Romeo, who all contributed 5 or more tackles.

The fourth quarter spelled disaster for the Gridbills. A punt was fumbled by SLUH at their own 20, setting up a seventeen yard run by Nick Pelligreen. Chura kicked the PAT, and the Spartans led 14-0, a score that would remain for the rest of the game.

A series of incomplete passes at the end of the game shut the lights out on the Gridbills. Coach Marcel commented, "We're still making the mental mistakes of not blocking the right people."

Kenny Daust

Soccer

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ings, but on Tuesday the Griffins were just too strong. The final score showed the Griffins on top 4-1.

The Soccerbills controlled the ball for the first 30 minutes, except that twice the defense failed and the Griffins capitalized on these scoring opportunities. Meanwhile, the Griffins held the Bills scoreless, and at the end of the half Vianney led 2-0.

The second half started much differently than the first. Ten minutes into the half, Griffin mid-fielder Tim Schaeffer around a SLUH wall to put the Griffins up 3-0. Minutes later, the Griffins again broke through the Jr. Bill defense and scored to make their lead four.

The Jr. Bills did not give up, and senior John Barfield cut the lead to three with a shot that passed just under the crossbar. About ten minutes later, the Soccerbills had another excellent chance to score on a free kick 30 yards in front of the Griffin goal. Steve Kuntz chipped the ball over a wall to Scott Kramer, who was breaking in on goal. Scott hit the ball off the side of his foot and the ball went wide.

The SLUH defense then fought hard to keep the Griffins contained, but the offense failed to produce another goal. Thus the Griffins won 4-1.

Paul Doerrer and
Matt Jermak

Cross Country

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ners slipped throughout the race as they tried to pass other runners by racing up the slope of the hill they were on. One unfortunate Parkway Central runner slipped head-first down a hill on his belly.

Luckily for the Harriers, they had raced in almost the same conditions in last year's District Meet, and were prepared to face the dangerous terrain. Mickey Luna led the SLUH squad with a 10th place finish and a time of 17:12, and with this time won a medal.

After Luna's medal winning performance, the next SLUH runner was John Sadlo, who showed surprising talent with a 15th place finish of 17:31. This was Sadlo's best meet of the season. His participation in the Sectional Meet will certainly boost SLUH's chances of qualifying for State.

Directo finished just behind Sadlo in 17th place with a time for 17:36. Finishing 4th for the Harriers in the varsity meet was freshman Shawn Halley who ran the race in 18:27 giving him 27th place. Finally, the 5th finisher for SLUH was sophomore Jerry Kester. Kester's time of 18:31 earned him 34th place.

Tomorrow at 11 AM the Harriers travel to Sioux Passage State Park to compete in the Sectional Meet. This race will again test the endurance of the team as they take on the devastating "Man-Maker" hill.

Angelo Directo