

Soccer

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has hindered them all season.

The Jr. Bills had three excellent chances to tally in the first half. Jamie Hartley passed the ball through the line of defensemen for Matt Walter. Walter drew out the keeper and chipped the ball across the goal, but Jerry Deters headed the ball wide at 22:36.

Jim Wolfe hit a nice cross-field pass for Hartley on the right side. Hartley fired a rocket at the goal, but the net-minder scooped it up at 11:52.

Rick Calcaterra led Matt Walter with an excellent pass, but the keeper just got a hand on Walter's blistering low shot. Prep North did not threaten in the first half, and the game remained scoreless.

At 30:59 of the second half, Jim Wolfe launched a free kick from well behind the halfline for Jamie Hartley twenty-five yards in front of the goal. Hartley skillfully headed the kick to Jerry Deters who broke through unmarked but shot the ball just inches high of the goal. The Jr. Bills finally got on the scoreboard at 12:43.

Though tackled in the right corner, Matt Walter managed to regain possession of the ball. Dan Kitts took Walter's pass and put the ball into the back of the net.

A victory seemed imminent, but with just 2:54 left, a Prep North forward battled through the SLUH defense and placed a shot just inside the far post to send the game into overtime.

Kurt Reinagel got the game-winner at 4:25 of the first overtime period. Positioned at the top of the area, he ripped a shot just under the crossbar.

Jamie Hartley added an insurance goal at 4:51 of the second overtime period after a fine through-ball by Dan Kitts.

The SLUH defense nullified any chances for Prep North and SLUH won 3-1.

On Monday, the Jr. Bills made up a rescheduled match with fourth-ranked Vianney in "Griffin Country." Because of last week's rain and the recent frigid jet stream from the North, the pitch was creatively adorned with small, frozen clumps of dirt that caused

Harriers fall in Sectionals; Behm and Woodward in State Race

In the sectionals at Sioux Passage Park Saturday, the SLUH Varsity Cross Country team finished fourteenth out of sixteen teams. Despite the team's dismal performance in its last meet of the year, Chris Woodward and Rob Behm will advance to the state meet as individuals.

Junior Chris Woodward placed seventh, while senior Rob Behm finished nineteenth to mark the first time SLUH has ever sent more than one finalist to the state meet. The state meet will be held at noon on Saturday in

Jefferson City.

Behm has placed 100th as a sophomore and 49th as a junior among the nearly 180 runners in the state meet the past two years. Behm points out that last year's state-champ, Chris Borsa of CBC, also finished 49th in his junior year and hopes this one may propel him to victory.

The state meet will be Woodward's first, but he will certainly contend for one of the top thirty places in the meet.

Dan Alsop

strange rolls and bounces of the old Mitre.

Paul Rulkkoetter was constantly trying to adjust to these foreign bounces early in the match. Several times he was forced to hurl his body in the direction he thought the ball would bounce. Rulkkoetter did this beautifully and smothered several unintentional rebounds early in the first half.

SLUH seemed tentative in the first half, letting Vianney control play and luckily escaped the half facing only a 1-0 deficit.

Vianney's goal was a strange one as a cross came over from left wing and was lightly flicked on by a Vianney player into the abandoned SLUH net.

Undaunted by the first half, the Jr. Bills stormed out of the locker room, pressuring Vianney's goal nearly the entire second half.

Jamie Hartley crossed one from the right wing that squeaked its way through to Jim Wolfe. Wolfe caught the ball in full stride and unleashed a blazing shot that Vianney's goalie stopped, seeming only to protect his face, but in any case, preserved the Griffins' one-goal lead.

Although SLUH seemed in control, Vianney fought back and with about twenty-five minutes left in the game made it 2-0.

Griffin midfielder Marty Mattingly stole a play from the SLUH playbook as he blasted a "wormburner" of his own into the far right corner from about twenty-five yards out.

With about fifteen minutes left, Jamie Hartley showed a

great deal of speed and ball control as he weaved through the Vianney defense and threaded the needle between the goal post and the Vianney goalie from a tough angle to cut the Vianney lead in half.

The true-blue SLUH faithful got their money's worth as Vianney continued to stumble on defense. With twenty-five seconds left to play, obstruction was called against Vianney just outside the eighteen-yard mark and Bob Trigg made the Griffins pay for their mistake.

Trigg ran onto the rolling indirect free kick and blasted a shot through a maze of Vianney defenders into the upper shelf of the net. As the clock wound down towards the ten second mark, SLUH players were saying among themselves "Have one, Trigger" and have one he did.

The ensuing twenty-minute overtime produced several good chances for SLUH but the Jr. Bills were unable to capitalize. The Bills settled for a 2-2 draw against the always formidable Griffins.

Mr. Dunn was very pleased to see his team show its character by rallying from a two-goal deficit to tie Vianney.

The varsity Soccerbills defeated Vashon yesterday afternoon to advance to the district finals. Mr. Dunn warned that a 10-0 victory can often cause a team to pick up bad habits. The Bills' next opponent will be the winner of the Soldan-Beaumont game.

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