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Girls Soccer Downs Brookwood *Anna Leavitt Nets a Hat Trick*

When Bartlett Field was just too wet from the weekend's rain the GUS girl's soccer game on Monday was moved over to Brookwood. Despite playing on the road, instead of the anticipated home game, the girls avenged an early season loss to this same Brookwood squad by earning a hard fought 4-2 victory. Anna Leavitt notched 3 first half goals to give the GUS girls a comfortable 3-0 lead at halftime. The first goal came in the 5th minute courtesy of an excellent crossing pass from Barrett D'Orio from the right corner to the well positioned Leavitt. Just one minute later she struck again. This time she intercepted a clearing pass on the left side and drilled a shot just inside the far post. GUS continued to control the play and Leavitt made it 3-0 in the 25th minute when she corralled a Brookwood goal-kick and her hard, low shot was

too much for the keeper. Mikaila Bennett was also instrumental at her stopper position seemingly turning back every offensive advance from Brookwood. She was supported well by backs Ani Stephan, Aisling Twombly and sweeper Ava Meyer. Elsa Reulet, Luka Bornhorst also

logged some time on the back line to go with their duties in the midfield. Kryn Fortune, Zoe Moriarty, Parker Leavitt and Maggie Delay also played well in the midfield. Piper Shepherd was in net and made several saves in blanking Brookwood for the half.

After the halftime break Brookwood came out determined to begin the second half and quickly the GUS lead to 3-2 in just the first five minutes of the half. On both goals Brookwood was able to gain control of the ball and attack the goal. GUS was able to regain their composure fairly quickly and hold off the Brookwood. For the next 20-minutes of play both teams had their chances but neither could find the net. Then with just under five minutes to go the Boars were able to up their lead on a beautiful play. It began with D'Orio, now in goal, making a good save. She proceeded to roll a lead pass up to Shepherd on the right side. After a quick dribble Shepherd made a forward pass to Anna Leavitt. Leavitt in turn rushed up the right side of the field before crossing an excellent pass to Eliza Loring who knocked in an excellent shot past the keeper. With the GUS lead now 4-2 the defense took over and held on for the victory.



Anna Leavitt scored 3-goals.



Anna Leavitt & Eliza Loring celebrate a goal.

Boys Swamp Brookwood

It what turned out to be their final game the GUS boys soccer team ended their season on a high note with solid 4-1 victory at Brookwood on Monday. Leo Bertone struk first in the game scoring for GUS in the 18th minute. Sammy Kniker attacked up the right side of the field and as he moved towards the goal a Brookwood defender knocked it away where Bertone gained control and found the back of the net in the bottom right corner. GUS held the 1-0 lead until the final minute of the half when Brookwood scored a nice goal from a tough angle 18-yards from the goal. His sent the game to the halftime break knotted at 1. It was a very good half for GUS especially on the defensive end. Ben O'Connor and Walter Nelson spurred the effort from the sweeper and stopper positions respectively. Nathaniel Flynn and Max Crafton began at wing back with Michael Todd and Morgan Proops rotating in. Luke Kotwicki and Cal White lined up at center midfield with Bertone, Freddy Kniker and Elliott Thompson on the sides. At striker Coaches Bartsch and DesBois used Ciaran Mohan, Ethan Watts and Marshall Aptt. Sammy Parisi was in net where he made a few strong saves.

After the mid-game break GUS came out strong and controlled the play throughout the second half. GUS grabbed the lead back in the 40th minute when O'Connor headed in a very nice goal on a Parisi corner kick. GUS made it 3-1 in the 53rd minute. Parisi made a strong and low cross from the right side and Freddy Kniker was able to stretch himself to the limit to get a foot on the ball and off a defender and past the keeper. A true hustle goal. Nelson closed out the scoring, and the game, scoring in the 59th minute when he launched a beautiful shot from 20-yards out. GUS had some other chances when the hit the crossbar on a shot and also a missed penalty kick. Coach DesBois was very pleased with the team's effort and highlighted the good passing the team displayed in linking the defense, midfield and strikers.



Sammy Kniker did not allow a goal in 2nd half.

Cross Country Team Sweeps

After an excellent showing last week at the Jim Munn Invitational the GUS cross country team followed that up with a strong performance on Tuesday at the Iron Rail Fields. Going up against the host Landmark Vikings and the Tower Tigers the Runnin' Boars won the meet overall, and if you broke it up into boys and girls races they swept those as well. The day was overcast, cool and damp. The Iron Rail course has many different elements - woods, grass, dirt and a small hill - to navigate and the Boars attacked it very well. Manny DeAngelis led Gang Green finishing 2nd overall in 14:20, 0:13 behind the winner from Landmark. After another Viking landed in 3rd place Max Clarke checked in 4th in 15:04. The first Tiger came in 5th just ahead of Henry Nelson (6th, 15:16) and Carter Long (7th, 15:20). Thea Glass set the pace for the girls as the top finisher and 9th overall (15:30). After two boys from Landmark and Tower came a good green line led by Lucy Grant (17:12), Charlie Swanson (17:26) and Clire Lewis (17:38). Catherine Carroll (18:50) was next for GUS, followed by Wyatt



Manny DeAngelis led GUS on Tuesday

Benchhoff (19:16), Ani Bagley (19:32), Lia Kermes (21:37) and Caitlyn Miller (24:04).

When scoring the meet as one race GUS came out on top with 28 points to Landmark's 38 and Tower 50. As a boys race GUS had 30, Landmark 34 and Tower 50. Neither Landmark or Tower had enough girls to score but GUS took places 1-5 to sweep.

This was the final team race of the season, but GUS does have at least four runners headed to the Massachusetts State Middle School Cross Country Championships to be held on Saturday, November 9 in Devens, MA.

Pike Runs Past GUS Girls Soccer

The GUS girls soccer team wrapped up a very successful season on Tuesday on a bit of a sour note when they ran into a very talented Pike squad in Andover. It was a damp and dreary day on the Pike campus and that is just how the game went for the Boars. Pike scored three times in the first half and added another four in the second on their way to a convincing 7-0 victory. Despite getting beat by a better team the GUS' girls played hard from start to finish and never gave up. In fact, the score could have been even higher had it not been for the goal tending from the tandem of Barrett D'Orio and Piper Shepherd. They each played a half and saw more shots than at any other time during the season. They each several excellent saves.

GUS used Ava Meyer, Aisling Twombly, Ani Stephan and Mikaila Bennett on the back line with Elsa Reulet, Luka Bornhorst, Lila Graves and Shepherd in the midfield. Eliza Loring and Anna Leavitt began at striker. Zoe Moriarty, Parker Leavitt, Maggie Delay, Kryn Fortune played in the midfield and Reulet and Bornhorst also saw time as backs.

Despite the loss coaches Bruce Emerson and Holly Shepherd were pleased with the girls effort in the game. Emerson commented, "The girls played great as a team all year and always put forth their best effort. Today they were a bit tired from yesterday's game and just played against a better team on their home field. Very proud of this team, they were a pleasure to coach all season!"

The girls ended their season with a very good 7-3 record. They showed much improvement over the course of the season both individually and collectively as a team. They came each day to practice prepared and ready to work and they really played as a team.



Lila Graves out runs her opponent to the ball.



Piper Shepherd on the sideline.

Fruit Cup To Begin Monday

On Monday the Annual Fruit Cup soccer tournament for the 5th + 6th graders will begin. The Fruit Cup is the 5th + 6th grade version of the Cereal Bowl. The class will be divided into four teams this year with each team having 10-11 players. The teams will have round robin play each Sports over the next few weeks. On the Monday before Thanksgiving there will be playoffs with a Champion getting to hoist the Cup. One difference for the Fruit Cup is that each team gets to choose their own team name, providing it has a fruit in the name.

Next Week

Monday, November 4

Grade 8 in NYC
Grades 5+6 Begin Fruit Cup
Grade 7 regular sports

Tuesday, November 5

No Sports - 3:00 Dismissal

Wednesday, November 6

Grade 8 in NYC
Grades 5+6 Fruit Cup
Grade 7 regular sports

Thursday, November 7

Grandfriends Day rehearsal 1:00-3:00
No Sports

GSP Notes: This past week saw two alums square off on the volleyball court. Soryn Bornhorst '19 and her Academy at Penguin Hall faced off against Grace Romanelli '19 and her Pingree squad. The two teams were very well matched and in the end the Pingree Highlanders pulled out a close victory.... With the Fruit Cup beginning next week for the 5th & 6th graders and the Cereal Bowl the following week it is advised that all the students be prepared for cool if not cold temperatures out on Bartlett Field. With the clock turned back the sun heads behind the horizon a bit quicker each afternoon as as we have all heard the November winds can blow cold. We will be outside as much as we can, but if we need to be inside for play all students are encouraged to have a pair of clean and dry sneakers to wear.... Many thanks to the Proops/French family for supplying GUS themed cupcakes for the boys soccer team earlier this week.... And many thanks to all of the parents who supported our teams this fall. At many games, both home and away it seemed as tough GUS had more fans than the other schools, and that is great to see...



Soryn Bornhorst & Grace Romanelli