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# Boys Lax Notebook

# Murphy Cup Stays Put, Yorktown Edges Lakeland/Panas, 15-14

Briarcliff Falls to Rye, Rebounds to Shock Mamaroneck

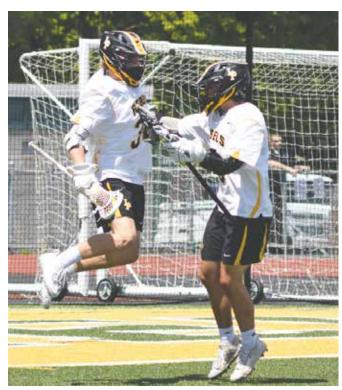
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When Yorktown resident Charlie Murphy, who passed in 2005, dipped into his checkbook back in the mid-'60s as the founding father of one of the finest lacrosse programs in the world, his vision was based on Yorktown High starting a lacrosse trend and growing the game. That vision was crystal clear and all the more evident last Saturday when Coach Sean Carney's visiting Cornhuskers edged Coach Jim Lindsay's rival Lakeland/Panas club, 15-14, to win the coveted Charlie Murphy Cup for the 28th time in 31 tries. #TheCupStaysPut and the shine on both programs remains.

The number 15 is the key here, so listen up. Both teams honored the life and times of former Yorktown and Syracuse University All-American Rob Kavovit, who tragically passed last March as a result of depression, something the Kavovit family openly acknowledges and hopes to fight against in his honor.

"Unfortunately, Rob was taken over by depression which led to his death," his father, Dave Kavovit said. "With that said it is our intention to reach out to all people, especially in the lacrosse world, and it's our intention to start a foundation to help others suffering from depression.

"We have lost an amazing son and brother to his siblings," he added. "A loving wife and two beautiful sons have lost a husband and father. It is amazing to see and hear the impact Rob had in the lacrosse world both in Yorktown and the many stadiums he was blessed to play in and where opponents



Lakeland-Panas' Liam Burke (L) and Nick Graap celebrate Burke's goal in 15-14 Murphy Cup loss to Yorktown.



Yorktown A Dylan Beck goes behind back for shot on L-P pole Tyler Santucci in Huskers' 15-14 Murphy Cup win over Rebels Saturday.

admired his skill and sportsmanship playing lacrosse. It is important to take into consideration what the world is going through with the COVID-19 pandemic. It has brought to people deeper sadness and stress than they needed to encounter. It did have an effect on Rob through his work in the medical field. He would want to have everyone be aware of their family, friends, teammates when they don't seem to be themselves. Reach out and help them, let Rob's and our loss be your win over depression."

That said, it was No.15 Jack Duncan who scored Yorktown's 15th and final goal on a game that was played on May 15th with a 12:15 p.m. start. Wait, there's more No.15 freakout at play. Rob Kavo's two sons played in their first lax tourney today in Florida Saturday afternoon, and the two lads totaled 15 points in two games between them

(Luke 1G, 4A; Landry 6G, 4A). There were heavenly forces at work behind Yorktown, which withstood a furious Rebel rally, and with the win Yorktown (5-0) remains the top seed for the Class B Section 1 tournament while the Rebels (5-2) will have the harder route to the Class B finals.

Yorktown junior A Harry Griff, who was everything as advertised, helped spot the Huskers a 6-1 firstquarter lead with two goals and two assists in what looked like a laugher of a game until Lindsay, oft-lauded as the finest chess master in the section, adjusted. Those tweaks Yorktown's celebration on hold until Rebel Conor Hufnagel's rip in the waning seconds hit a pipe, allowing the



Huskers hoist Murphy Cup trophy after 15-14 win over Lakeland-Panas Saturday.

Huskers to regain possession and run off the final 18 seconds. Griff finished with three goals and two assists. Will Embury added a hat trick for the Huskers while teammate Spencer Norris had one goal and two assists. Evan Makar had one goal for the Huskers.

It was all Yorktown at first until L/P junior Nick Graap (2G, 2A) took over and eventually tied the score at 9-9 with 6:16 to go in the third quarter, what might have been the Rebels' best quarter against Yorktown since 2010.

On the next possession, Husker G Adam Norris (13 saves) thwarted a Conor Hufnagel (2G, 4A) shot, but the rebound careened toward a pile of humanity and Graap swiped at Husker Jack Carlin's pole and batted the ball into the cage for the Rebels' first lead at 10-9 at 5:45 of the third, but Yorktown coolly regained composure and went on 5-1 run to take a 15-11 edge with 5:21 to go.

It was at this point when Yorktown senior A Dylan Beck (6G, 1A), the star of the game, took control. Beck tied the game at 10-all with 5:49 left in the third and then put the Huskers up 12-11 with :25 left in the third quarter. Beck followed with two more goals for a 14-11 lead at 8:13 of the fourth.

"No one has worked harder," Coach Carney said of Beck. "His teammates are



goal despite Yorktown's Ethan Andrews in his grill in Rebels' 15-14 loss to Huskers.



Yorktown senior M Spencer Norris makes his move against L-P mid Chris Macaluso in Huskers' 15-14 Murphy Cup win over Rebels.

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L-P senior A Conor Hufnagel (5) celebrates clutch goal in 15-14 Murphy Cup loss to Yorktown Saturday.

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happy for him as they have seen how hard he works and named him captain this season. He is a great athlete and one of the best shooters in the section.

"That was a stressful win," Carney admitted. "Jimmy's boys always fight to the finish. We got up early and then they started



Somers' Zach Nyikos races in transition as Hen Hud's Dean Hiltsley chases in Tuskers' double OT win over Sailors.



Somers' T.J. Deagan, seen here looking to get past Hen Hud's Ryan Clark, scored the game-winning goal and tallied three goals total in a 9-8 OT win.

to outwork us. This year is one of those years where things are going to be a little sloppy. Jimmy and I talked about that before the game. The season has more of a tournament feel than a regular season. We scored 15 goals, so we're happy with that, but on the defensive side we need to stop teams a little bit more. The conversation when we got off the bus was to stop their runs. They're going to start yelling and screaming and get excited as they should get, but we just gotta keep our heads, keep an even keel and step up when we have to. That's their job and now their name's on the cup."

After jumping out to what seemed to be an insurmountable 7-1 lead, Yorktown had to adjust to Lindsay's adjustments after Griff went full speed at the L/P cage, hit the brakes and switched to left hand at 10:32 of second quarter to put Yorktown up by six.

Lindsay had seen enough and threw a shadow on Griff in the form of senior pole Eddie Hylka, who locked down Griff for much of the final three quarters.

"We had to make some adjustments when they adjusted by locking me off," Griff said. "We had to involve other shooters on our team. Everybody else is fast and can shoot.



Yorktown senior A Will Embury celebrates goal set up by junior A Harry Griff in Huskers' 15-14 Murphy Cup win over Lakeland-Panas.



Somers players celebrate their 9-8 double OT triumph over Hen Hud Saturday.

We just needed to get them all involved. We're hoping to see them  $(L/\!/P)$  again down the road because it would be another great game. This really feels special to win a Murphy Cup after sitting out my freshman year with an injury and then COVID last year, so helping these seniors win it this year feels great."

L/P's Reed Thompson (4G, 1A) was huge during the comeback attempt. Liam Burke and Tyler Nocito each had two goals and one assist for the Rebels while Justin Stabile (1G, 1A), Mark Cummins and Augie Kocaj scored once.

"This one is tough to swallow," Lindsay admitted. "We didn't come out strong and they jumped all over us. You can't spot them six or seven goals, but I'm proud of the kids for settling down. This could have turned ugly like Mamaroneck and it didn't. They showed me something today. We came up a pipe too short. A bounce here or a bounce there and maybe we're taking that trophy home today, but we'll see them again."

Afterwards, the media's attention turned toward a potential rematch in the sectional



Briarcliff's Aidan Murnane sprints across midfield in 15-14 loss to Rye.

finals

"Honestly, I don't need another heart attack, so we'll see," Carney said. "There's a lot of good teams in Class B this year."

Lindsay concurred.

"We got a long way to go before we think about that," Lindsay said. "We've got to get healthy and there's a lot of really good teams



Briarcliff's All-World junior middie Mat Waterhouse goes on the attack against Rye.



Briarcliff's Nico Santucci looks to elude a Rye defender in 15-14 loss.

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Hen Hud's Luke O'Neill attacks from behind the cage while Somers' Zach Nyikos pressures in Sailors double OT loss to Tuskers Saturday.

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in Class B, so it's loaded and we gotta work, but our kids are resilient and as long as we learn from this we'll be fine."

Lakeland/Panas crushed Brewster earlier in the week, 15-2. Thompson had four goals and five assists. Graap added four goals and two assists. Hufnagel finished with three goals and two assists and Nocito scored twice.

**BRIARCLIFF** bounced back from a tight loss to Rye with a program-defining 11-6 road win over Mamaroneck on Saturday. The Tigers boast a roster with a boatload of players who are committed to Division 1 schools.

"This was a huge win for our program," Bears coach Al Meola said. "I think it will give us a nice boost and get us back on track after a tough loss to Rye. The key to this win was sticking with our game plan whistle to whistle and not deviating."

Elliot Jones paced the Bears with four goals and an assist. Nico Santucci added three goals and two assists. Jack Ricciardi (1G, 2A), Matt Waterhouse (2G), Aidan Murnane (1A), Brandon Rispoli (1G) and Lucas Proctor (1A) were contributors offensively. Evan Van Camp came up huge in net with 22 saves.

The Bears staged a furious late rally but fell to visiting Rye 15-14 last Tuesday. Briarcliff trailed 13-6 early in the fourth quarter but outscored the Garnets 8-2 the rest of the way.

Jones netted a behind-the-back goal to cut it to 14-12 with 4:36 to go. The Bears then couldn't convert on an EMO and Rye answered on the other end with three minutes left. Ricciardi unleashed a shot on the run and scored for the Bears with 1:23



Hen Hud's Chris Connolly, Rocco Capicotti, Luke O'Neill and Sailors will look to bounce back from a crushing 9-8 double overtime loss to Somers on Saturday.



Hendrick Hudson's Thomas Popolizio goes on the attack as Somers' Evan Lasseter defends in Sailors' double OT loss to Tuskers Saturday.

left. Briarcliff took a timeout and found Proctor in front to cut it to 15-14 with 13 ticks left. Rye won the ensuing face-off and was able to run the clock out.

"I told them to keep their heads up," Meola said of his message to the Bears after the loss. "They showed a lot of perseverance and they didn't let down for one second. I was proud of all of them. It was a great game to learn from. We made a lot of mistakes but it's a good teaching moment for them."

Johnny Hartzell, a Colgate commit, won 25 of 30 face-offs for Rye.

"I think he's the best and the guy we faced the other day at Bronxville (Henry Donohue) is probably the second best," Meola said when asked if Hartzell is the toughest on face-offs in the area that he's seen. "That kid's nasty (Hartzell) and he's a sweetheart of a kid. I'm happy for him."

Ricciardi (3G, 4A), Proctor (2G, 2A), Jones (3G), Waterhouse (2G), Rispoli (3G, 1A), Santucci (1G, 1A) and Van Camp (10 saves) led the Bears.

Briarcliff (4-1) cruised past Croton-Harmon, 17-9, on Thursday. Proctor (1G, 1A), Jones (2G, 1A), Ricciardi (1G), Waterhouse (2G), Santucci (1G, 1A), Rispoli (2G), Brett Lachtman (2G, 2A), Murnane (1G), Matt Zaretsky (1G), Alex Kirshenbaum (1G, 1A), Josh Newman (3G, 2A) and Jameson Wong (13 saves) helped fill up the stat sheet.

Games with Mamaroneck and Rye will only make the Bears better down the line as they pursue a Section 1 Class C title. Briarcliff is scheduled to host rival Pleasantville at 4:30 p.m. today. They then head to **WESTLAKE** on Wednesday (4:30 p.m.) and travel to Yorktown on Friday (7



Mahopac's Mike Rettberg celebrates one of his career-high five goals in win over Westlake.

p.m.) for another big test.

(4-2) posted a 9-6 road win over a perennially strong John Jay-Cross

River team last Thursday. Senior Hayden Fruhling sparked the Bobcats with four goals while Gavin Javorsky added two goals and two assists.

Benny Rakower, Ben Weinhoff and Jake Teitelbaum notched a goal and an assist apiece.

"We all played together. We played smart and as one and it allowed for us to make big plays on both sides of the field," Fruhling said. "Weinhoff dominated at the face-off X and we had the ball a ton. Our defense played lockdown and communicated. Jack Quinn is settling in in the cage and he's really special and a huge part of our success.

"We try and preach neutral thinking so although we were super pumped with such a large program victory we are already focused on our next opponent. With such a young team it's important to be excited about the win but focus on the little things we need to fix in order to continue with this level of success moving forward."

Fruhling netted three goals in a 9-6 road loss to a strong Scasdale team on Saturday. Quinn made 14 saves in the setback.

In a 17-4 senior day win over Ossining last Monday, Fruhling went off for six goals and four assists. Michael Oronzio (1G, 5A), Sean Siegel (2G, 2A) and Teitelbaum (3G) also made big impacts.

WHITE PLAINS had a 2-1 week to improve its record to 7-2. The Tigers cruised past Rye Neck (14-4), were shut down by



Westlake's Andrew Llamas (5) takes a run at Mahopac's John Kearney in Wildcats' loss to host Indians Saturday.



**BYRAM** HILLS Mahopac's Mike Harney (2G, 4A) cranks shot against Westlake's Stefano (4-2) posted a 9-6 road Ammaturo in Indians' 14-3 win over Wildcats Saturday.

Scarsdale (8-1) and came from behind to defeat Ossining (9-7).

"If you told me we were going to be 7-2, I'd sign up for it at the beginning of the year, no problem," White Plains coach Mark Armogida said. "I'd be ecstatic."

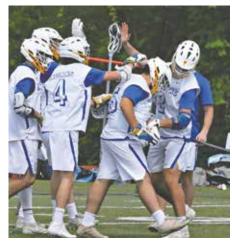
At Ossining on Saturday, the Tigers trailed 7-6 in the fourth quarter. Colin Walsh (3G) tied the game up with seven minutes to go then Ryan Ortiz (3G, 1A) ripped a goal on the EMO from Paolo Medelius to give White Plains the lead with 3:12 to play. Danny LaSalle (2G) added an insurance goal less than 20 seconds later after Jack Herman won a face-off and set up the goal.

Herman was critical on face-offs for the Tigers and won 14 of 19. Nicolas Spista made six saves.

"Jack Herman's lights out," Armogida said. "He created some transition for us even though he didn't score himself. He gave the ball up at the right time. Right now, he's No. 1 in the section in terms of percentage at 79 percent on face-offs. He trains year round. He used to be a wrestler and he loves that one-on-one competition. He really did a nice job of stepping up."

Ossining was sparked by Stone Turnquist (3G), Jacob Miller (2G, 1A) and Caden Hallinan (3A).

Walsh (5G), Ortiz (1G, 3A), Nick Armogida (1G, 2A), Medelius (1G, 2A), Jake Strobel continued on next page



Mahopac players get their goalie Tommy Jacobellis after knocking off Westlake Saturday.

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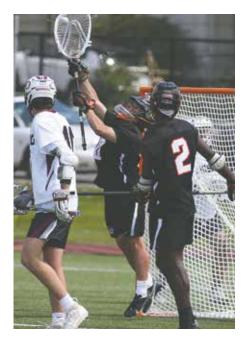


Mahopac G Brett Crecco lines up save in win over Westlake Saturday.

continued from previous page (2G) and Trent Munch (2G) led the way for White Plains against Rye Neck.

The Tigers' defense has been critical toward its success this season while the offense has had its moments.

"On offense, we just have to settle down and we have to shoot better," Coach Armogida said. "Too many shots right into the goalie's stick; not enough bounce shots. We just have to finish our opportunities. On defense, today (against Ossining), we let up



White Plains junior goalie Nicolas Spista is one of the top goalies in Section 1 and helped lead the Tigers to a 9-7 win over Ossining on Saturday.



White Plains' Ryan Ortiz looks to pass while Ossining's Faaris Haque defends.



White Plains' Trent Munch goes on the attack while Ossining's Vincent Bernardo pressures.

a few easy goals. We're not normally like that. Our defense, all year long has been stellar. Nick Spista in goal is phenomenal and always comes up with big saves. I think he's No. 6 in the section with save percentage. And our poles, Eli Pierre, he did a great job on Caden Hallinan. And then our other poles, Rudy DeFilippis does a great job."

PLEASANTVILLE narrowly defeated John Jay-Cross River (8-7) but fell to Pelham (8-6) and Somers (10-8) last week in tight contests to see its record fall to 7-2.

Jack Collins netted the game-winning goal against John Jay on a feed from Brennan McDermott with just eight seconds left. McDermott tallied three goals and two assists. Ryan Challice added three goals and an assist.

McDermott notched three goals and three assists in the loss to Pelham. Daniel Picart had a goal and an assist.

**SOMERS** remained hot after its 9-8 double OT triumph of **HEN HUD**.

Somers senior sniper T.J. Deagan's hat trick gave the Tuskers the win in OT. Hen Hud led 8-3 heading into the fourth quarter, but Tuskers Kieran Gill provided another hat trick for the Tuskers and triggered the comeback. Deagan forced overtime with 51 seconds to play. Henry Ellison (2G, 1A) was also big for Somers. Thomas Popolizio (4G, 1A) led Hen Hud while Dean Hiltsley added



White Plains' Matt Prout looks to unleash a shot while Ossining's Gianni Ramirez-Downes goes for the stick check.



Carmel freshman Matt Risley puts one between pipes in Rams' 10-7 loss to Wappingers.

two goals and one assist.

Hen Hud did chalk up an 11-3 win

over Ossining when Luke O'Neill put five between the pipes and Popolizio (1G) set up five others for the Sailors. Hiltsley (3G, 2A) was huge for Hen Hud.

WESTLAKE (2-3) picked up a win over North Salem (11-4) but lost to Bronxville (12-6) and MAHOPAC (14-3) when the combination of Mike Rettberg (5G), Jake Degnan (4G, 2A) and West Point-bound Mike Harney (2G, 4A) were too hot to handle.

In the victory over North Salem, Matt Sardo (3G, 1A), Aidan Pray (3G), Anthony DelDuca (3G), Connor Cronin (2G, 2A), Andrew Llamas (4A) and Edward Olszewski (8 saves) paced the Wildcats. Llamas (3G, 2A), Sardo (2G) and DelDuca (1G) led the team in the loss to the Broncos.

On senior night in the Valley last Friday, **PUTNAM VALLEY** saw its seniors rise to the occasion in a 14-1 win over Pawling. Senior Ethan Mounier had five goals and one assist and junior Ryan Denike did the serving (1G, 5A). Seniors Garrett Leitmann (3G) and Jack Murphy (2G) were also big for the Tigers, who were up 6-0 after one.

The Tigers followed that up with an impressive 10-5 win over Class A Arlington. Andrew Dzubek (3G, 2A) had a career day for the Tigers. PV went on a 6-1 run to put the Admirals away behind Denike (2G, 4A) Mounier (2G) and Leitman (2G).

FOX LANE was crushed by Yorktown



White Plains' Nick Armogida works his way to the cage past Ossining's Gabe Flores.

15-2 last Tuesday but bounced back with a 16-3 throttling of host **HORACE GREELEY** on Thursday. Everett Banks exploded for seven goals and three assists. Will Shepherd (2A), Jake Wollman (2A) and Matt Magidson tallied two goals apiece.

The Foxes cruised past Carmel 18-7 on Saturday to improve to 6-2.

Greeley secured a low-scoring 5-4 win over Carmel last Monday. Matt Hutchings netted the game winner on a feed from goalie Sam Rosenberg with seven minutes to go. Carter Meehan (2G), Jeff Lungen (1G) and Patrick Holub (1G) chipped in for the Quakers. Matt Risley had two goals for Carmel.

Rosenberg made 17 saves for the Quakers in an 11-4 loss to North Rockland on Saturday.

HALDANE saw hotshot Darrin Santos pour six goals into the cage, including the game-winner in OT, in a 15-14 victory over O'Neil. Evan Giachinta added a hat trick and set up three others. Jordan Henkel made 25 saves. Liam Gaugler, Daniel Santos and Rowen Kuzminski each scored twice for the Blue Devils.

**CARMEL** came up short in a 10-7 loss to Wappingers despite freshman A Matt Risley's hat trick, plus a pair of tallies and three assists from senior M Ryan McDonald and three assists from Ryan Aabel.



Ossining's Caden Hallinan has been a force all season as White Plains' Jake Strobel and Tigers discovered.

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# DeMarinis/Kittredge Connection Been Clicking for Years Varada on Fire, Surging Hen Hud Shocks Yorktown, Mahopac

**By Tony Pinciaro** 

When Noelle DeMarinis and Ella Kittredge began kindergarten they also began playing lacrosse and it would eventually lead to a chemistry that has given opposing teams headaches

The **SOMERS** seniors are a high-scoring midfield tandem that has enabled the Tuskers to dominate games. Opponents can't focus on stopping one because if they do, the other will still generate goals or set up scoring opportunities for their teammates.

DeMarinis and Kittredge each scored nine goals as Somers registered two more wins -- 20-12 over Lakeland/Panas and 18-4 over Brewster.

Both players are outstanding athletes, excelling in other sports. But it was lacrosse that introduced them to each other.

"The creativity that each individual player can bring to the game of lacrosse stood out to me compared to my other activities," said DeMarinis, who will attend Columbia University in the fall and play lacrosse. "I loved that lacrosse granted me the freedom of developing a unique style of play while still being in a team atmosphere."

As the girls got older, they realized that lacrosse was their passion and it would eventually be their sport in college.

"I didn't become serious about lacrosse until my sophomore year," said Kittredge, who will attend Holy Cross in the fall and play lacrosse. "I was very involved in soccer and loved both sports, but eventually chose to pursue playing lacrosse collegiately."

DeMarinis and Kittredge became varsity players freshman year. Even though they, along with all student-athletes were



Somers' Noelle DeMarinis, who recently surpassed 125 career points, sprints in transition in 18-12 win over Pleasantville.

sidelined in 2020 because of the COVID pandemic, they have made up for the lost year without skipping a beat.

"Ella and I have been side by side since the beginning of our lacrosse careers."



Julie Sirchia, Lauren McCartin, Ella Kittredge and the Tuskers picked up big wins over Lakeland-Panas and Pleasantville last week.

said DeMarinis, who intends on majoring in Business or Statistics and concentrating in Analytics. "Our history has instilled an unbreakable trust between us. The reassurance and encouragement that Ella has bestowed on me has helped me develop into the player I am today."

Kittredge knows that she and DeMarinis are in lock-step with each other each time they take the field.

"Noelle and I have been playing together for years so we have been able to build up our chemistry," said Kittredge, who plans to major in Economics with a minor in Business. "I think we can read each other's minds, at this point, which has led to most of our success."

Not only are both girls happy to be back working their magic together, they were psyched coming into the season being reunited with their teammates. This has resulted in team success.

"I credit our success to the receptive nature of our team," DeMarinis said. "As open-minded players, we adapt and absorb advice from our coaches and fellow teammates quickly and efficiently. Our drive to improve each day is critical in a shortened season where time is limited."

DeMarinis led Somers with six goals against Lakeland/Panas, Lauren McCartin added five goals and Kittredge scored four goals.

Kierra Ettere had six goals and five draw-controls for Lakeland/Panas.

Kittredge had a team-leading five goals and six draws in the Brewster game. DeMarinis added three goals and an assist, including her 125th varsity point, Molly Fink had a hat trick and Julie Sirchia set up four goals.

Somers defeated visiting **PLEASANTVILLE** 18-12 on Saturday



Somers' Molly Fink attacks from behind the cage while Panther goalie Maia Mayers pursues.



Somers' Gabby Parisi looks to make her move while Pleasantville's Rowen Kennedy pressures in Tuskers' 18-12 win.

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Pleasantville's Abby McAllister looks to work around Somers' Ella Kittredge.

continued from previous page behind six goals and three assists from Kittredge. Teagan Ryan added four goals and an assist while DeMarinis tallied three goals and an assist. Abby McAllister paced the Panthers with five goals. Reilly Byrne added four goals and three assists.

The Panthers fell to powerhouse Bronxville 23-11 a day earlier but defeated Scarsdale 15-7 earlier in the week. Byrne (5



of host Yorktown Friday.



Pleasantville's Analese Picart possesses at midfield while Somers' Julie Sirchia defends.

goals), Grace Capko (4 goals) and McAllister (3 goals) led the way against Scarsdale.

It was a busy, but perfect week for HEN HUD as the Class C Sailors went 4-0, highlighted by an 8-7 victory over perennial Section 1 Class B power Yorktown, the Sailors' first win ever over the Huskers.

"The girls battled all game and the defense really stepped up to hold a great offensive team to seven goals," Hen Hud Coach Rob Molfetta said. "The win was a total team effort."

Kira Varada finished with five goals and four draw controls. Jordan Porter added a goal and an assist and Katie Bell and Gigi Deak each had a goal. Madison Porter handled six shots.



Iona-bound Hen Hud senior Kira Varada scored five goals and set up three more in Sailors' 8-7 upset Yorktown's Aliza Garofalo rolls up on Hen Hud's Kira Varada in Huskers' first loss ever to Sailors.

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Yorktown's Haley Caricati is hounded by Hen Hud's Kira Varada in Huskers' loss to Sailors.

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Aliza Garofalo and Sophia Spallone each had two goals for **YORKTOWN** and Alexa Borges registered two assists.

While Hen Hud's offense scored in double-digits in all four games, the defense held its opponents to single digits in goals -- 14-6 over Rye, 17-4 over Mahopac and 16-3 over Carmel.

Varada scored six goals against Rye, followed by Fiona McGovern with four and Claire Popolizio added three. Seventh-grader Addy Flinchbaugh made five saves between the pipes.

McGovern took over against Mahopac with a career-best seven goals and she added three assists. Varada added a hat trick and Paige Montgomery and Popolizio had two goals apiece.

Varada and McGovern each had three goals to help Hen Hud add the exclamation mark to the 4-0 week. Katie Bell and Deak each had two goals. McGovern and Porter each set up three goals.

"The team is playing well and defensively we are shutting down opposing offenses," Molfetta said. "The defense is anchored by Gigi Deak and Colleen Ryan. We are also controlling the draw circle with Gigi Deak taking the draws and Colleen Ryan and Kira Varada on the circle.

"Gigi is putting the ball in the right place and Colleen and Kira are picking up the ground balls. The offense is led by attacker Fiona McGovern, who is able to create offense by feeding or dodging. I am very proud of our team and how they are coming together. We are getting contributions from all of our players."

Don't look now, but the Sailors are the Class C favorites to win it all.

**CARMEL** has added a couple of firsts to what has been an excellent season, to date.

The Rams swept Pawling (15-10) and Wappingers (12-9), improving to 5-3 this season. Among the five wins are first-time victories over rival Brewster and Fox Lane in the program's 10-year varsity history.



Byram Hills' Lilly Ceisler, who recently achieved her 100th career goal, had five goals and four assists in a 17-4 win over Rye Neck.

Laila Rosenquest led Carmel with a hat trick and two assists against Wappingers and Taylor Roth also had three goals.

Alex DeFlippo and Ally Taranto netted two goals apiece and goalie Cat Tonchuk made 15 saves.

"We are very happy that we have the opportunity to play this year after losing our season last year," Carmel coach Kerry Hackert said. "It's so exciting to see more milestones in our Carmel Girls' Lax history since we started at the varsity level in 2011."

**MAHOPAC** split a pair of games, dropping a17-4 verdict to a red-hot Hen Hud before rebounding to beat Putnam Countyrival, Brewster, 16-7.

Mahopac, now 5-4 this season, went into halftime with a 12-4 lead on Brewster.

Audrey Colucci and Avery Przmylski each scored four goals against Brewster. Nicole Panny added three goals and Ally Savino finished with two goals and two assists.

Przmylski also collected nine ground balls and won 14 of 19 draw controls.

"It was great to be back at home and get things back on track," said Mahopac coach Jim Lieto of the Brewster game. "The team played well and we look forward to keeping that going into our final two weeks of the regular season."

Hen Hud held a double-digit lead at halftime against Mahopac, holding the Indians to a season-low four goals.

Gigi Genovese, Julia McGrinder, Colucci and Panny scored for Mahopac.

"This was a tough way to start league play," Lieto said. "Hen Hud dominated the time of possession and we just couldn't create scoring chances on offense."

**OSSINING** senior and Iona commit Kacey Scarduzio reached a milestone in the Pride's 9-7 win over Hastings.

Scarduzio rang up five goals, including the 100th of her varsity career. Megan Spedaliere and Malin Turnquist each added two goals.

"Scoring my 100th goal was one of the best feelings ever," Scarduzio said. "I've been through a lot, in terms of injuries, and not being able to play last year due to the pandemic.

"That held me back from achieving this a long time ago. I'm just so grateful to have this opportunity and achieving this was an amazing feeling."

Scarduzio collected six goals in an 18-10 loss to Kennedy Catholic and Turnquist added three goals. Scarduzio scored eight in a 21-11 loss to Sleepy Hollow. Turnquist had two goals and Bailey Lapolla scored once.

After opening the week with a pair of losses -- 16-11 to Our Lady of Lourdes and 11-5 to Pawling -- **PUTNAM VALLEY** closed with a 16-3 victory over Beacon.

Catherine O'Sullivan had a big game against Beacon, scoring seven goals and assisting on one. Lindsay Cohen added four goals and an assist and Eva DeChent contributed three goals.

Jordan Tucker highlighted the offense against Lourdes with a hat trick and three assists. Cohen added two goals and two assists and O'Sullivan and DeChent each had two goals.

Jessica Walsh, Cohen, O'Sullivan, Tucker and DeChent scored against Pawling.

**BREWSTER** was on its way to its first win of the season when its game with Pawling was suspended because of weather as the Bears were leading 9-4 with 20 minutes remaining in the game.

The Bears lost a pair -- Mahopac (16-7) and Somers (18-4) -- prior to the Pawling

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Byram Hills' Lilly Ceisler fires a shot in 17-4 win over Rye Neck.

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Sasha Kulo and Morgan Brace each had two goals and Emily Monaco had one goal and two assists against Mahopac.

A 10-day break in playing games was not what **WESTLAKE** wanted, but when the Wildcats resumed play, they went 3-0 for the week.

"We had a 10-day pause because of closeopponent contact," Westlake coach Dan Smith said. "I am really proud of the way the girls have played together and are committed to playing hard for one another.

"We have faced well-coached teams that have been prepared for us and we have risen to the challenge. Our midfield and draw-circle has been very strong, backed by solid defensive performances and timely goalkeeping."

Westlake improved to 4-1 with wins over New Rochelle (15-11), Irvington (12-10) and Valhalla (10-7).

Gianna Eglauf and Francesca DeMartino each scored four goals against New Rochelle. Eglauf also added three assists. Ellie Barnett contributed three goals and Kyla Anderson and Alexa Hudd had two goals apiece.

DeMartino also scored four goals against Irvington. Eglauf collected three goals and three assists and Vanessa Theriault added two goals. Barnett had one goal and one assist.

A perfect 3-0 week catapulted **BYRAM HILLS** to 5-3 as the Bobcats erupted offensively, outscoring their opponents, 52-

Byram Hills opened the week with a 17-4 triumph of Rye Neck as Chloe Siegle scored seven goals, registered three assists and had eight draw controls. Lilly Ceisler netted five goals and added four assists and Irene Byrnes had four goals and four assists. Defensively, Anastasia Byrnes caused six turnovers.

In the win over Yonkers, Kiley Blackmar, Jojo Wolf and Jamie Kaplan scored their first varsity goals.

Siegle (three assists), Ciesler and Byrnes each registered a hat trick and Morgan Aronsky and Byrnes had two goals apiece. Piper Siegle made three saves.

The offensive exploits continued against Blind Brook on Senior Day as Byrnes led the way with six goals. Ceisler rang up seven assists and scored five goals, Chloe Siegle had four goals and three assists and Irene Byrnes added a hat trick.

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"Through eight games we have an extremely well-balanced offense, with four players having 30-plus points," Byram Hills coach Jack Kensil said. "And our defense is led by Jess Kahn and Lily Feldman.

"I have never been so excited for the game, on both the men's and women's side. It is great to be back out there every day, and we are enjoying every moment of it together."

**BRIARCLIFF** played on consecutive days, falling to Fox Lane (16-6), but bouncing back to defeat Valhalla (9-3).

Cassie Lawler was the catalyst offensively with four goals against Valhalla. Paola Galiano had a goal and two assists and Charlie Fink added one goal and one assist. Charlotte Baer made four saves.

Lily Shafiroff had two goals against Fox Lane, Dylan Krsulich had a goal and an assist and Galiano registered two assists. Baer finished with a season-best 17 saves.

Extra time was needed to determine **HORACE GREELEY's** only game of the week, but it was Mamaroneck prevailing, 14-13.

"I am so proud of the effort, poise and improvement we demonstrated against a quality opponent on the road," Horace Greeley coach Dennis Hurlie said. "We are getting better every day and despite a grueling schedule, the girls remain positive knowing that come playoff time we will be as battle-tested and as ready to go as any team in the bracket."

Molly Byrne found the net six times and also had two assists.

Erica Rosendorf added three goals and collected nine draw-controls.

Bae Bounds chipped in two goals and Mia Scott and Finley Pollard each had one.

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Byram Hills' Irene Byrnes tallied four goals and four assists in Saturday's 17-4 win over Rye Neck.



Byram Hills' Anastasia Byrnes runs across midfield in win over Rye Neck.

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#### **Sports**

#### P'Ville's, Browne Strong in Return; Carmel Walks Off on Fox Lane Hen Hud Reels off Six-Straight W's; Briarcliff Continues to Produce

By Ray Gallagher **Examiner Sports Editor @Directrays** & Rob DiAntonio @RJD\_Photos

Just two weeks removed from appendix **PLEASANTVILLE** Thomas Browne took the hill in a league showdown against WESTLAKE, the defending Section 1 Class B champions last Thursday.

The Panthers fell to the Wildcats 10-0 just two days prior but Browne wasn't about to let that happen again. The senior struck out 14 batters over six innings while allowing just four hits in a big 2-0 win.

"Thomas Browne is a class act," Panthers Coach Dan Iorio said. "The reality is that setbacks in sports are inevitable at some point in everyone's career. In Thomas' case, he has aspirations of playing at the college level and proved that his hard work and resiliency will allow him to achieve that goal. Thomas is extremely consistent with his performance and his behaviors, and that's what has helped him improve his game throughout the years. He always rises to the challenge.

Joseph Reich pitched the seventh inning for Westlake to record the save. Browne beat out an infield single to score Will Lent to get the Wildcats out to a 1-0 lead in the third inning. The Panthers added an insurance run in the seventh.

"The first step was to coach our players to take responsibility for their performance," Iorio said of the Panthers bouncing back from a lopsided loss in the first meeting with Westlake. "And this goes for every loss. It's very easy, especially with a young team, to become comfortable with the feeling of defeat. The players did a great job bouncing back and not accepting the previous performance.'

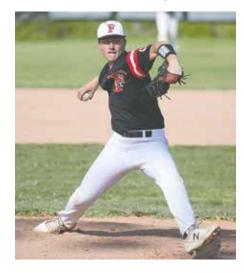
Marc DeNunzio went 5.2 innings and struck out 14 for Westlake while allowing just one hit and one earned run.

The Panthers (4-4) fell to visiting HEN HUD 10-0 the next day but finished up their rollercoaster week by handing previously unbeaten and rival BRIARCLIFF its first loss, in a 12-5 victory. Pleasantville pounded out 13 hits and received home runs from Browne and Lent.

"Although we are a young team, we do have some strong senior leadership, especially in our only two returners, Matthew Satriale and Thomas Browne," Iorio said. "Our players depend on and motivate each other no matter what. They work hard at doing things together for our community outside of just playing baseball. That is what makes this team so special—win or lose.'

Nick Mulvey pitched a five-inning nohitter for Westlake in a 10-0 win over Pleasantville last Tuesday. DeNunzio, Justin Silva and Ray Lubrino led the Wildcats' offense with a double and two RBI apiece.

Westlake crushed Bronxville 18-3 on Wednesday. Anthony Arrichiello went four innings for the win. Lubrino (2 hits, 4 RBI) and Tommy Giaccone (2 hits, 3 RBI) led the



Fox Lane's Michael Lombardi pitches against Ossining in the Foxes' 15-5 win over the Pride.

to Pleasantville with a 16-3 six-inning rout of Haldane on Friday. DeNunzio (home run. triple, 6 RBI, 2 runs) and Giaccone (2 hits, 4 RBI, 3 runs) led the offense. Silva struck out 11 over six innings for the win. Westlake lost to Rye Neck 5-3 on Saturday to see its record drop to 5-2.

Despite the loss to the rival Panthers, Briarcliff is still 7-1 and picked up a pair of wins over league foe Blind Brook earlier in

In a 6-2 win over Blind Brook on Tuesday at home, Jackson Mauro went 2 for 3 with



Fox Lane's Matt Antolino slides in safely just under the tag of Ossining catcher John DeAngelis in Foxes' 15-5 win over Pride.

two RBI, three steals and three runs scored. He also scored on a pivotal suicide squeeze on a perfect bunt by Zack Diamond. Mauro, the Bears' leadoff hitter, is batting close to .700 through seven games.

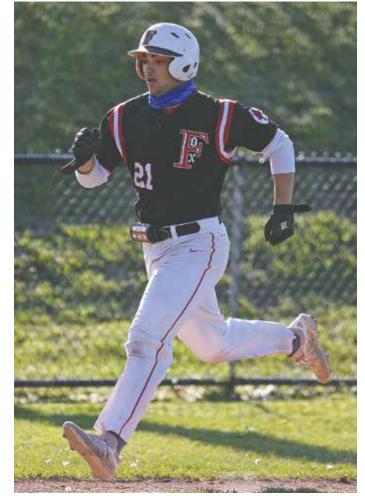
"He's doing an excellent job table setting,"

Briarcliff coach John Schrader said of Mauro. "He does a nice job in the outfield and gives us a nice spark at the plate."

Chris Beard, Owen Healy and Max Haberman each had an RBI. Giulian Greco

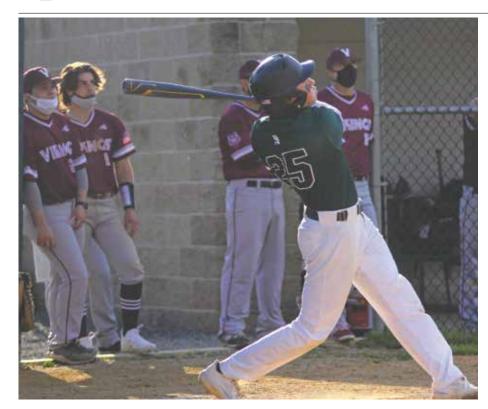


The Wildcats bounced back from the loss Fox Lane's Aidan Hicks hustles for third base in win over visiting Ossining.



Fox Lane's Nick Cutaia scores a run in win over Ossining

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Valhalla players watch in dismay as Yorktown's Kyle Zaslaw crushes three-run yard-bomb in Huskers' 12-4 win Friday.

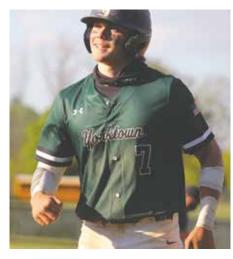
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had two hits and a run scored. Tom Poggi pitched four innings and struck out eight while allowing no earned runs to pick up the win.

Jayden Amador had three RBI while Haberman had two RBI and a homer in a 9-0 win over Blind Brook on Thursday. Marc Milano added two RBI. Jack Manganello tossed five shutout innings of one-hit ball



Ossining's Gino Manicchio hits a sacrifice fly in 15-5 loss to Fox Lane.



Yorktown's Jon Sica is all smiles after delivering 2 hits, 3 RBI in 12-4 win over Valhalla Friday.

and struck out eight for the win.

"Believe it or not, usually at this time of the year we've been working out since December," Schrader said. "Because of COVID, everybody's been tied up. But I have to give them credit. All of the kids have worked out hard on their own safely. Everybody's doing a nice job."

Schrader said the team's goal is to win the league and obtain a high seed in the Section 1 Class B tournament. The Bears were the Section 1 runner up to Westlake in 2019.

"A high seed would mean home games being we're playing at the higher seed this year (for the championship game)," Schrader said. "Obviously, a section title (is another goal)."

**HEN HUD** (6-2) won for the sixth-straight time after starting 0-2. It's all



Yorktown's Kyle Zaslaw is all wide-eyed happy in dugout after his three-run yard-bomb in Huskers' 12-4 win Friday.

coming together for the Sailors, including timely hitting and tidy pitching. Sailor hurlers have allowed just one run over the last 28 innings. The team ERA during the current winning streak is 0.65.

"That has been the key to our success,' Sailor skipper Van Vourliotis said.

In a 2-0 win over Nanuet, P Noah Lipton earned the win while David Buscetto and Nick Kelly each drove home a run. In a surprising 6-0 win over Byram Hills, Donovan Burns fired a complete game shutout. In a 10-0 win over Pleasantville, Josh Shea hurled complete game shutout, followed by a 7-1 win over **BREWSTER**, in which Nick Hiltlsey went the route for the win with Josh Gillison delivering three RBI.

"The message was simple after Saturday's game against Brewster; I'm proud of everyone but at the end of the day six wins doesn't get us anywhere or accomplish anything," Vourliotis said. "Six wins doesn't win league, doesn't win a playoff game, and doesn't win a championship. Continue to compete, compete and compete at

everything we do."

**SOMERS** also handed Brewster a pair of losses, 7-0, and 8-3.

"The team at- bats were grinding to score all day," Somers Coach Anthony Nappi said after the 7-0 win.

P Dan Turner notched the win with four solid innings (2 hits, 1 walk, 5 Ks). Reliever George Creighton also provided two strong innings with four strikeouts and nobody reaching base. The Tuskers started their current surge when Matt Kapica and Brandon Iorizzo both hit big two-run bombs in a 12-8 win over Beacon to open the week.

WALTER PANAS produced another solid week behind the big bat of sophomore Sammy Stafura, who is hitting over .500 through eight games. Panas defeated John Jay CR, 3-1. Jackson DiLorenzo got the win on the mound firing seven superb innings, He sent 12 batters down K-way, allowing one walk, two hits and one run. Danny Witters had two RBI and Stafura added another for support. Panther Travis Carlucci

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Yorktown senior Kevin Weitman (7IP, 1BB, 8K) gets hug from Coach CJ Riefenhauser after firing no-hitter in 9-0 win over Beacon Saturday.



Carmel's Brendan Murphy (2 RBI in 13-3 win) and Rams had plenty to smile about after sweeping rival Mahopac last week.

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Carmel C-OF Anthony Febo has been on a tear, delivering clutch hits in wins over Fox Lane and a sweep of Mahopac.

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The Panthers also defeated Brewster, 11-8. Jack Laughlin pitched 2 -2/3 innings allowing one run with 5K's to earn the win. Anthony Caputo and Ben Feraca both went 2 for 3 and had 2 RBI each. Smoothstroking Aidan Cohall went 2 for 3 with a pair of doubles. Panas also defeated Horace Greeley, 5-0, when Carlucci pitched a gem, allowing 2 hits and no runs with nine whiffs in the compete-game victory, Stafura went 3-4 with a triple while Witters went 2-4 with a RBI. Travis Carlucci also went 2-4 for the streaking Panthers.

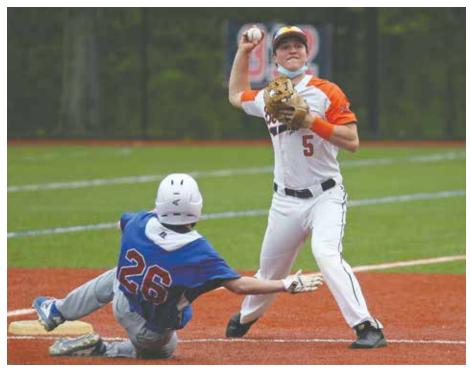
BYRAM HILLS went 2-1 on the week to improve to 5-3 and capped it off with a thrilling 1-0 win over host Lakeland in an 11-inning marathon Friday. Bobby Chicoine's solo home run proved to be the difference in the top of the 11th. Chicoine pitched the final two innings for the win while Jordan Baskind started the game and tossed nine scoreless innings.

The Bobcats began the week with a 13-2 blowout win over Harrison on Tuesday. Chicoine, Jared Cohen (3 for 4, 5 RBI), Brady Carp and Daniel Bernstein each hit a home run. Chicoine pitched four innings while allowing two hits and striking out five for the win. Byram was blanked by Hen Hud, 6-0, on Wednesday.

**FOX LANE** lost to Carmel (7-6) to open the week but bounced back with wins over Ossining (15-5) and New Rochelle (8-2) to improve to 5-2.

Nick Cutaia went 4 for 4 with a home run, triple and five RBI in the win over Ossining. Michael Lombardi got the win (3 innings, 6 Ks) on the hill and also went 2 for 3 with three RBI. Matt Antolino added three hits. Jack Williamson pitched the final three innings for the save.

Panos Sinis was 2 for 3 with a double and two RBI against New Rochelle. Michael Byrns fired three scoreless innings in relief to pick up the win. Cutaia and Logan Matson each had two hits and two RBI in the extrainning loss to **CARMEL** when Ram C Anthony Febo (4 RBI) went deep for a three-



Briarcliff shortstop Ben Raphael turns a double play against Blind Brook.

run walk-off win. Ram Kevin Dall doubled to start the rally. Carmel is looking as strong as any team in Class AA right now while Febo is as hot as any hitter.

Carmel had 16 hits in a 17-5 win over **LAKELAND**. Rams Nick Montagna (4-4 HR, 2B, 4 RBI). Febo (3-4 3RBI), Jack Sullivan (3-3 2B, 3-run HR, 6 RBI), Ronni Shofi (3-run HR) all supported P Mark Yorio, who earned his first varsity win.

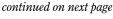
The surging Rams also swept rival MAHOPAC last week. In their 13-3 win over the Indians, the Rams pounded out 15 hits led by Febo (3-4, 3 RBI), Jonathan McIntyre, Sullivan, Matt Demme and Mason Compton each had two hits. Brendan Murphy, Compton, Demme and Sullivan

each knocked in two runs.

Carmel ace Sullivan toed the rubber in the opener against Mahopac and notched a 7-0 win. Sullivan fired a complete game and fanned 15 Indians while two hits in a dominant performance. Montagna (2-4 2RBI). Ronni Shofi (2-run HR) and Febo (2 RBI) were clutch at the plate.

Nick Moeller hit two bombs for Mahopac in a 16-5 loss to RCK in the Ketcham tourney, which was followed by a tough 4-3 loss to Clarkstown South.

WHITE PLAINS went 3-1 on the week to improve to 6-2. The Tigers started it off with a 13-5 win over Port Chester behind

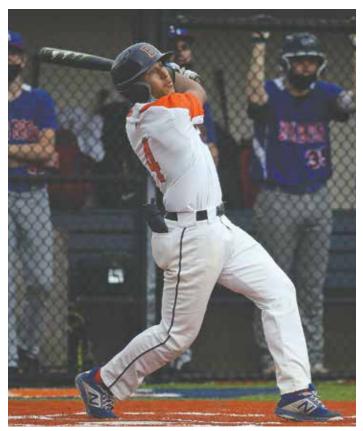




Briarcliff's Jackson Mauro has been an on-base machine as red-hot Bears' leadoff hitter, sporting a batting average close to .700.



Briarcliff's Max Haberman follows through on a swing in recent 6-2 win over Blind Brook.



Briarcliff's Jayden Amador takes a big hack in 6-2 win over Blind Brook.



Briarcliff and catcher Marc Milano are off to a solid start.

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Chris McGuire, who went 2 for 3 with a double, triple and four RBI. Nick Vendola, Declan Bruton and John Myers had two hits and two RBI each. Michael Grande pitched six innings to earn the win. He allowed three hits and struck out four.

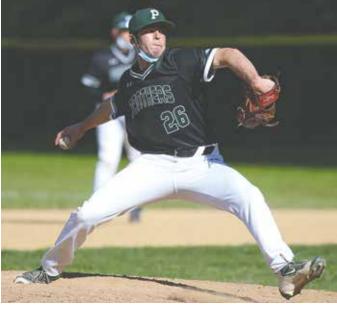
In a 10-9 nine-inning loss to Clarkstown South on Wednesday, Bruton (3 for 3, double, triple, 3 RBI), Vendola (2 hits, RBI, 3 runs) and Myers (2 for 4, 2 RBI) sparked the offense.

Mark Kent tossed a complete game shutout in an impressive 2-0 win over North Rockland on Friday. He allowed just two hits, struck out eight and walked one. Myers had an RBI while McGuire doubled and scored a run.

The Tigers cruised past Mount Vernon 17-0 on Saturday. Jesse Alfalla (2 hits, 3 RBI), Leon Marrano (3 runs), Spencer Englert (2 RBI, 2 runs, winning pitcher), Jake Dorchak (2 doubles, 2 RBI), Jay Biondi (2 RBI, 2 runs), Myers (RBI double), Nathaniel Levin (RBI), Edgar Muniz (RBI, 2 runs) and Grande (2 hits, 2 RBI) led the offense.

VALHALLA suffered two league losses to Rye Neck (14-2, 3-0) and lost to YORKTOWN (12-4) but got back on track with a 9-1 league win over Blind Brook on Saturday. Marc Weeks hurled a complete game one-hitter with 14 punch-outs for the victory as the Vikings improved to 5-4. Coach CJ Riefenhauser has the Huskers playing as well as any team in Class A. The Huskers split with Beacon to take a rare 2-0 loss this season, but in the 9-0 win senior P Kevin Weitman (7IP, 0R, 1BB, 8K) stole the show with a no-hitter. Scott Weitman (5IP, 0ER, 5K) came up big in the win over Valhalla, as did IF Kyle Zaslaw (2-3, 3-run HR, 4 RBI). P Matt Alduino (5 1/3 IP, 2 ER, 9K) pitched effectively but was the hardluck loser against Beacon.

**PUTNAM VALLEY** lost home to Sleepy Hollow 7-4. Antonio Truglio (2-3 1R),



Two weeks after appendix surgery, Pleasantville senior Thomas Browne returned to the hill and tossed six innings of shutout baseball in a big 2-0 win at Westlake.



Pleasantville's Will Lent sends it for a ride in the Panthers' 2-0 win at Westlake.

Joe Maloney (1-4 1RBI), Ryan Moriarty (1-3 2RBI) and Bryson Fritz (1-3 1R 1RBI) all supported starter Maloney (5 IP 4H 2R 1ER 8K 1BB). The Tigers also beat Hastings, 4-3.

Maloney (1-3 1RBI), Fritz (1-4 1RBI), Dylan Watson (3-4 1R) and Moriarty (2-4 2RBI) contributed at the plate to back pitchers Watson (4 IP 3H 3R 3ER 6K 5BB) and closer Matt Jacobson (3 IP 1H 0R 7K 1BB).

PV then defeated Poughkeepsie 15-1 on Senior Day in the Valley. Maloney (2-3 2R), Jacobson (2-3 2R 3RBI), Matt Borchick (1-3 1R 1RBI), Watson (2-2 2R 1RBI), Moriarty (2-2 2R 1BB) and Mike Langdon (1-3 1R 1RBI) back pitcher Moriarty (5 IP 2H 1R 0ER 8K 3BB).

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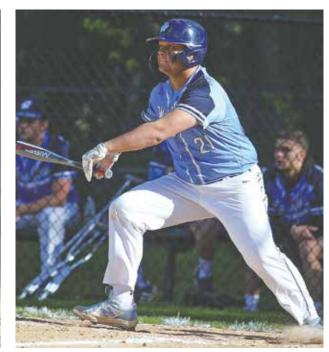
Pleasantville first baseman Alex Korn gets low to make the catch as Westlake's Nick Mulvey lunges for the bag in Panthers' 2-0 win over Wildcats.



Westlake's Marco Petrillo fields a bunt and fires to first in 2-0 loss to P'Ville.



Westlake's Anthony Arrichiello connects in loss to Pleasantville.

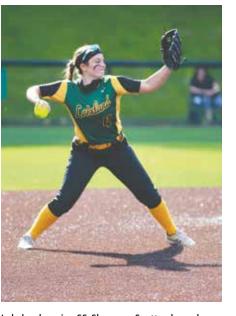


Westlake's Josh Gelman breaks out of the box in 2-0 loss to visiting Pleasantville

# Softball Notebook



Mahopac's Shannon Becker is all smiles in 2021 as the Indians remained undefeated last week after sweeping rival Carmel.



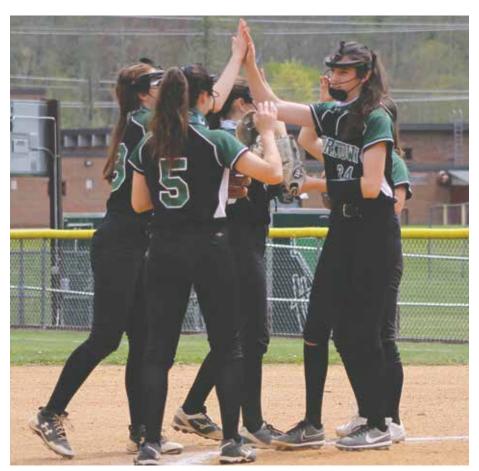
Lakeland senior SS Shannon Scotto drove home game's only run in Hornets' win over Byram Hills Friday.



Lakeland C Melody Rubino sets up during Stella Bale's no-hitter in 1-0 win over Byram Hills.

# **FOCUS ON SOFTBALL**

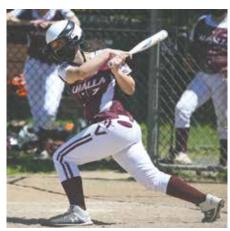
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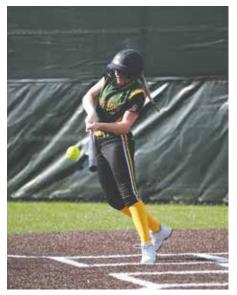
With an 8-1 start under their belts, Yorktown is poised for big doings in the 2021 post season.



Valhalla's Kathryn Wolfthal hustles to third at Pleasantville on Saturday.



Valhalla's Sophia Malandro had two doubles and five RBI in win over Pleasantville.



Lakeland's Ava Knopf makes contact in 1-0 win over Byram Hills Friday.

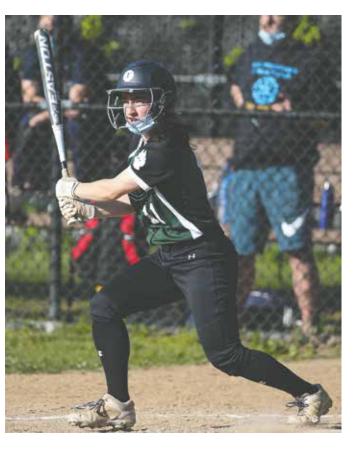


Valhalla's Julia Serena went 5 for 5 with four doubles, a triple, and six RBI in 17-0 win over Pleasantville on Saturday.

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Valhalla's Ava De Natale beats the throw to Pleasantville first baseman Anna Morea.



Pleasantville senior Mary Grace O'Neill went 2 for 3 with a home run, double and six RBI in 17-2 win over Putnam Valley on Friday.



Yorktown batterymates P Maya Servedio and C Elaina Ornstein chill after recent no-hitter.



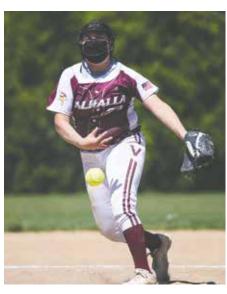
Valhalla shortstop Emma Levine fires to first at Pleasantville.



Putnam Valley's Taylor Peduto throws to first in loss at Pleasantville on Friday afternoon.



Pleasantville's Ava Portmore fires to first for the out in win over Putnam Valley.



Valhalla pitcher Tanner Smith struck out 12 over five innings in 17-0 rout of Pleasantville.



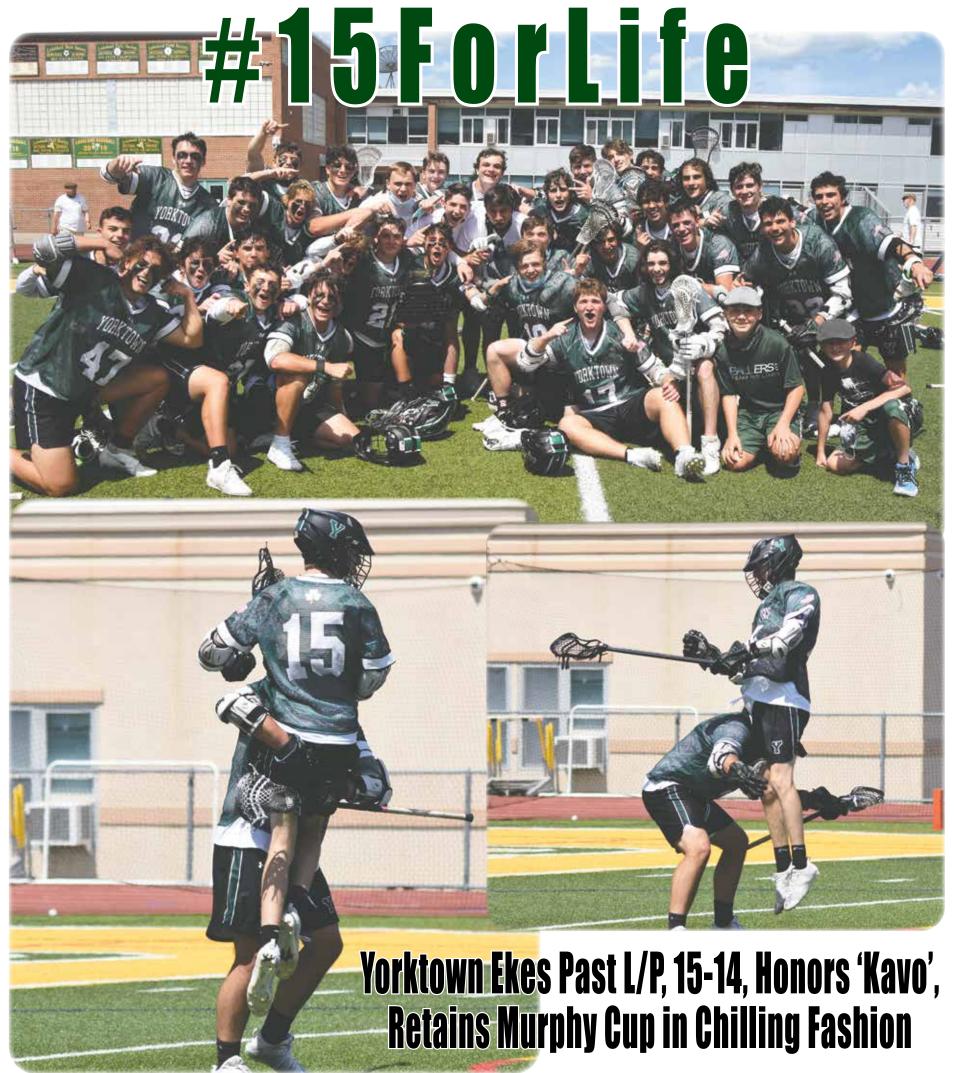
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Other forces were at work Saturday when Yorktown sophomore middie Jack Duncan (No.15) gets lifted skyward by teammate Will Embury after Duncan scored the game-winning goal in the Huskers'15-14 Murphy Cup win over host Lakeland/Panas on May 15th, when both programs honored the memory of former All-American Cornhusker Rob Kavovit, the greatest No.15 in Yorktown history who passed away last March. The Huskers also had 15 penalties on the day and the two sons of dearly departed "Kavo" cashed in Saturday with a combined 15 points in two tournament games in Florida while Yorktown won the Murphy Cup for the 28th time in 31 tries (inset photo)... see Boys' Lax Notebook