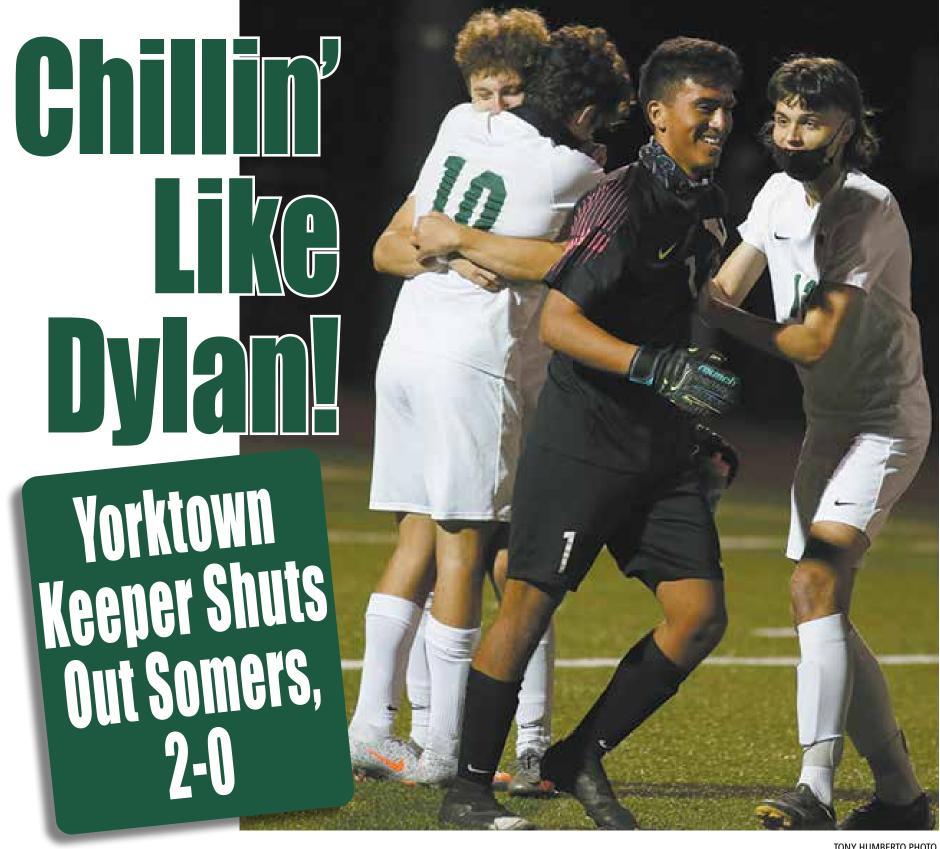
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Boys' Soccer Notebook

Shockers: White Plains Stuns Ossining, Yorktown Upsets Somers

By Ray Gallagher Examiner Sports Editor@Directrays

Two of Section 1's premier Class AA soccer programs locked horns last Thursday when reigning champion Ossining hosted White Plains in a rematch of last year's semifinals. White Plains got a goal from Jair Cano goal for 1-0 lead before Rueben Collazos banged home a PK for the final margin late in the second half to secure a 2-0 league win.

"I thought our adjustments at the 20-minute mark made a huge difference," White Plains Coach Michael Lambert said. "We started playing smarter and reading the game much better."

Smarter, sharper and more aggressive to the ball were Tiger traits this day, and the White Plains defense shut down a once-proficient attack, which led to just the second home loss in three years for the Pride.

"Defensively, our outside backs were strong," Lambert said. "Junior Alejandro Vega and senior Jonathan Calpeno were everywhere. Senior Victor Flores held it all together at center back."

The big strike came when Calepno made



RAY GALLAGHER/TONY HUMBERTO/BOB CASTNER/BILL KENNEDY PHOTOS

Yorktown's David Dippolito goes up for a header with Somers' Alex Cabo on his back in Huskers' 2-0 win over Tuskers Saturday.



Ossining senior F Kevon Evans gets tangled up with White Plains soph M Diego Martinez in Pride's 2-0 loss to Tigers Thursday.

a beautiful run off his pass, which set up the eventual game winning goal. Cano, who split the defense, buried the game's first goal.

"Our depth was key," Lambertsaid. "We maintained our possession and shape even with rotating subs throughout our midfield. Senior captain Eric Ramirez was the glue for us there. We're very pleased with the play of several sophomores and juniors who stepped up on a big stage. We aren't where we want to be just yet. We have a lot of work to do but we are heading in the right direction. You need to be better each game to stay up in Section 1. The boys are hungry and excited for our upcoming challenges and showing what we can really do."

White Plains opened the season with a 2-0 win over Eastchester when Mario Martinez-Jimenez set up Ramirez for a 1-0 lead and then found Alan Meneses to give first-year



Yorktown's Jack Prybylski goes for the slide tackle while Somers' Bennett Leitner pushes the pace late in the second half of 2-0 Tusker win over Huskers.

coach Lambert his first win. Tiger G Thomas Pisapia made five saves to get the shutout and had two clean sheets through two games.

But the Tigers were off their game Saturday in a 1-1 tie with Fox Lane. Eric Ramirez spotted the Tigers a 1-0 lead on a first-half penalty kick, and Fox Ben Belfiglio answered with his own PK in the second half. White Plains dominated territorially and Fox Lane G Charles Della Penna (16 saves) came up big. Pisapia made just two saves for the Tigers

Ossining answered back with a 3-1 win over Port Chester when Yo-Yo Douglas got loose for a 1-0 lead just four minutes in and then assisted on Gilbert Chuva's tally just before the half. He added another assist when he set up talented Mariano Marr's first varsity goal just after the break.

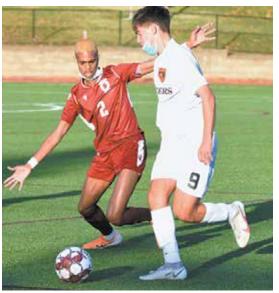
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White Plains M Eric Ramirez back-flips ball into transition in Tigers' 2-0 win over host Ossining Thursday.



White Plains senior D Victor Flores bicycle kicks to clear zone in Tigers' 2-0 win over host Ossining Thursday.



White Plains sophomore F Gael Baraldi sets up a move on Ossining senior D Malcolm Phillips in Tigers' 2-0 win over Pride Thursday.

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Yorktown senior captain Teddy Kozera clears zone in 6-0 Husker win over visiting Brewster.



Yorktown senior M Tony Granitto nets one of two goals he would score in 6-0 win over Brewster.



Mahopac's Dimas Augustin-Mendez breaks into full gallop in Indians' 4-2 loss to visiting Arlington.



Yorktown senior M Chris Judge is slide-tackled by Brewster's Darwin Ventura in 6-0 Husker win over Bears.

So here's a stab at a meaningless poll, which literally amounts to nothing and is done strictly for fun, for boys' soccer teams covered in the Examiner (from White Plains to Carmel).

Examiner Area Top 10 Boys' Soccer Poll

No.1 YORKTOWN -- A 2-0 win over rival Somers gives Coach Polchinski's Huskers (2-0) a real edge in the League II-D title chase, not to mention some serious respect throughout the section. Husker G Dylan Lopez (11 saves) was a monster between the pipes. Peter Tinaj and George Popovic each scored a goal and Chris Judge set up both for the Huskers, who have opened the eyes of Section 1 after a physical, hard-fought chal-



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Somers' Daniel D'Ippolito (L) fights for possession with Yorktown's Marco Landocino in Tuskers' 2-0 loss to Huskers Saturday.

Mason Murphy, Teddy Koezera, Jack Pryblski and Reuslan Semenko were solid on the back line.

"Chris Judge, who we got back from the academy system did a great job of jump-starting our counter attacks and slowing the game down when we needed to," Huff said. "Marco Landicino was all over the field for us, with some tough, tough defending, and was a huge presence. Then our dynamic duo of Peter Tinaj and George Ppovic were able to work nice combinations under great pressure from the Somers defense."

Popovic started off the week with two goals and two assists in a 6-0 romp of Brewster.



Mahopac senior captain Mario Bunjaj cranks shot off wing in Indians' 4-2 loss to mighty Arlington.

lenge with the Tuskers.

"We were happy to let Somers possess, and were more focused on our defensive positioning and staying disciplined," Husker Assistant Coach Justin Huff said. "It was a very physical game, one that the refs lost control of early on. We have spent the last few weeks working our system and the team stayed very disciplined throughout the game. We had few opportunities but took full advantage. Our defense played lights out."

Tony Granitto scored twice and Judge dished three assists, so, yeah, the upstart Huskers are No.1 through Week 1 on the pitch.

No.2 SOMERS -- Matching up against Coach Lanzetta's Class A Tuskers (1-1) is going to be a serious challenge, which very few teams in Section 1 will do effectively. In a 5-1 opening-day win over host Panas junior snipers Bennett Leitner and Daniel D'Ippolito

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Grgurovic, Bobcats Gain Early Lead, Fend off Quakers

By Rob DiAntonio & Ray Gallagher

BYRAM HILLS Coach Julianne Marinaro wasn't thrilled with the way her squad played in the first half, but the scoreboard still read Byram 2, HORACE GREELEY 0.

The Bobcats picked up their play in the second half to stymie the persistent Quakers, who were able to score a late goal before time expired. It was a case of too little, too late, and Byram prevailed in a 2-1 victory over host Greeley on Oct. 15.

'In the first half we were very frantic, and we struggled," Marinaro said. "The second half, that's what we've been practicing. We've been working on moving the ball and some positional stuff that we were able to see in the second half. They were able to turn themselves around and I think that shows a lot about this team. We have a deep team and a pretty talented team."

Sara Grgurovic, a junior, tallied both of the Bobcats' goals in the first half. Elizabeth Corelli fed a perfect through ball to Olivia Tedesco, who crossed it to Grgurovic on the doorstep to make it 1-0.

With just under two minutes left in the first half, Byram senior Alexa Jindal fed Grgurovic, who lofted a high shot which bounced off the goalie's hands and into the net to stretch the lead to 2-0.

'I'm giving those (goals) to my teammates, they really assisted those," Grgurovic said. "I just saw the opportunity and took it. I've been practicing a lot over the summer, so I guess that helped me. I was just excited to play with my team again, especially after last week's game against Ardsley. I definitely didn't get a lot of shots then, so I wanted to change that this game."

Greeley rattled off 11 shots, but only one found the back of the net as the Quakers dropped to 0-2. Ramsey Edson scored on a breakaway just before the buzzer for Greeley's lone goal.

"It's painful because in practice they're getting those shots and scoring those goals," said Greeley coach Erin Tracy, whose squad fell to John Jay-Cross River 1-0 two days



ROB D'IANTONIO/BILL KENNEDY/BOB CASTNER PHOTOS

Byram's Sara Grgurovic collides with Greeley goalie Ellie Handwerger in the first half of Bobcats' win over Ouakers.

prior to open the season. "In the last couple games, we've been unlucky and unfortunate and haven't hit our target. I thought Byram moved the ball really well and were really quick. They had some great give-and-goes. They seemed to know where their players were."

Senior goalie Dylan Ertel (seven saves) and the rest of the Bobcats defense were up to the task defensively.

"Dylan was very strong in goal and I think that without her, the score would have been different," Marinaro said. "Greeley definitely tested us. I will give some credit to my defensive line in the fact that they were relentless. They were covering for each other really well. We're going to have to work on some things for the next time we play them because Greeley's very talented and put a lot of pressure on us.After finishing 9-7-1 last season and getting eliminated in the opening round of sectionals, the Bobcats (2-0) are off to a promising start in 2020.

'We're just working hard in practice and it's paying off in the game," Grgurovic said. "All of us are really close this year and it's a really good environment. We're just working off that."

The Bobcats are also just ecstatic to be able to compete despite all of the uncertainty due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"They're so appreciative that they were given this opportunity to play," Marinaro said. "They're grateful to be here and they are excited to take the field every single day. They're supportive of one another whether they're on the bench or on the field. They're also self-motivated and they make my job easier."

Around the Region

2019 Class AA runner-up MAHOPAC locked horns with Class A runner-up SOMERS with the host Indians scoring a 3-2 triumph of the Tuskers Saturday when the Indians celebrated Senior Day in a battle that went back-and-forth until Mahopac senior Mia Klammer (2G) and junior Jenna Mayer sealed the deal for the Indians. 'Pac senior Hailey Pereira assisted on all three scores while rookie keeper Madeline Mc-Crosson made eight saves. The Tuskers saw Dahlia Pepe and Ella Kittredge score.

PLEASANTVILLE struck a 2-0 win

over North Salem when the reigning NYS champs saw Katie Moses and Grace Capko each tickled twine. Lauren Mathews and Molly Baxter each had an assist.

WESTLAKE nipped CROTON 3-2 in OT behind two goals from Jennifer Straface. Krista Dronzek also scored for the 'Cats. Kalyna Raguso and Eliana Barnett both set up goals for the Hills. Olivia Sendlenski had one goal and one assist for the Tigers and Croton's Maliha Ravelo also scored.

YORKTOWN super soph Julianna Vano went for two goals in the Huskers' 3-0 win over BREWSTER. Drita Tinaj set up both tallies. Sophia Spallone added a PK. Vano has been insane since day one, nailing a hat trick in a 3-2 OT win over LAKELAND. Kaitlyn Ward, Spallone and Grace Pearce each had an assist for the Huskers to support G Erisa Krasniqi (6 saves). Lakeland's HaiLian Rowan and Nadia Parisi both scored. The Huskers (3-0) also posted a 2-1 win over Somers and appear to be much stronger than initially thought. Put Yorktown on your radar.

BRIARCLIFF's Ashleigh Fortunate was just that when she scored the lone goal in a 1-0 win over Irvington.

OSSINING's Marlee Potillo (4G, 1A) had a hand in five Pride goals in a 6-0 win over Fox Lane. Amanda Rios and Ashley Lovastik had one goal and one assist for the winners.

LAKELAND's ava Pagliaro has a fetish with the No.51. Pags scored 51 seconds into the Hornets' 2-1 OT win over PANAS and then hit her second with 51 seconds left in the OT stanza.

Nadia Parisi and Francesca Gerbasi each set up a goal while G Sarah Pinkowsky finished with eight saves, beaten only by Kayla Guevara's PK. Panas keeper Natalia Londono was solid with a 21-save effort. Lakeland also defeated BREWSTER, 5-2, behind goals from Nicole Haughney, Francesca Gerbasi (2A), Nadia Parisi, Ava Pagliaro and Tyler Hormazabal. Bears Amanda Sherman and Sabrina Visio scored goals for Brewster.

SOMERS chalked up a 4-0 win over Panas when Kayli McMorrow, Noelle

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Byram Hills' Elizabeth Corelli scans the field for a teammate while Byram's Alexa Jindal sends a pass as Greeley's Ramsey Edson Byram's Gabriella Colabello and Greeley's Hallie Rackoff battle for Greeley's Jessica Kratz defends in Bobcats' win over Quakers.



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Olivia Tedesco and the Bobcats celebrate with Sara Grgurovic (No. 21) after she scored her second goal of the first half.



Mahopac junior D Maddy DeCola and Somers senior M Dahlia Pepe battle for control in Indians' 3-2 win over Tuskers Saturday.

DeMarinis, Ava Giudice and Annie Maguire each tallied for the Tuskers. Dahlia Pepe and Allie Zattola had an assist.

HEN HUD (2-0) posted two wins, including a 5-1 win over **HALDANE** and a 6-0 win over PEEKSKILL. Against Haldane, senior sniper Kira Varada netted a hat trick on Senior Day. Lena Johnsen (1G,1A) and Sabrina Byrne also scored for Hen Hud. Maddy Gough finished with two assists, while Allie Simonetti and Molly Gibson had



Mahopac senior F Mia Klammer sets up one of two goals she would score on Senior Night in 3-2 win over Somers Saturday.

one assist apiece. Iliana Done had four saves at goalkeeper. Katie Shields scored the Blue Devils' only goal. Against Peekskill, Kira Varada (2G, 2A), Sabrina Byrne (1G,1A), Lena Johnsen (1G, 1A), Megan Abatemarco (1G), and Kayla Cohen (1G) each scored for



Byram Hills' Regina Bisgaier looks up the field while Greeley's Riley Card pursues is Bobcats' win over



Mahopac D Marissa McCarney clears zone against Somers sophomore Ava Giudice in Indians' 3-2 win over Tuskers.



Yorktown's Abby Passarella goes up for a header in the box in traffic in Huskers' win over Somers.



3-4 win over Lakeland.



Yorktown senior M Caitlin Ward sets up a move in Yorktown soph Julianna Vano has crashed the varsity party with unlimited potential, setting up one of three goals against Lakeland.



Yorktown's Chayce Buono possesses the ball while Somers' Claudia Farina comes up to defend in Huskers' win over Tuskers.

Brewster Cashes in on Strong Start, Valhalla Ties P'Ville Sectional Champs Greeley, Lakeland Pick Right Up

By Ray Gallagher Examiner Sports Editor@Directrays

Normally, a Section 1 Field Hockey Notebook opens with 13-time NYS champion **LAKELAND.** winners of 10 of the last 11 state crowns, but we'll open this week with BREWSTER after the Bears posted two impressive showings, including a 1-1 tie with 2019 Class A sectional runner-up **SOMERS** and a 3-0 win over YORKTOWN.

Against visiting Somers, Brewster senior Grace O'Gorman lit up Senior Night with a second-half breakaway goal to force a tie game. Somers took a first-half lead when sniper Bella DelVecchio banged the boards off an assist from Teagan Ryan. Both goalies were in it to win it with Tusker keeper Trinity Buckler thwarting seven shots and Brewster goalie Kate Vaughan notching six saves.

Brewster coach Jen Hershman was proud of her seniors and the whole unit for never

Her squad came out strong against Yorktown, too, when Ashley Goodliffe notched her first hat trick. She was fully in synch with Grace O'Gorman, who assisted on all three goals.

The Bears pushed the tempo and peppered Yorktown keepers Addy Araneo (12 saves) and Nicole Peters (nine saves). Bear keeper Kate Vaughan had one stop for the shutout.

"This program is continuing to build and our players are incredibly talented," Hershman said. "I am happy that our high school girls have an opportunity to play the sport that they love! The Varsity and JV girls have impressive stick skills and an understanding of the game. I am proud of our girls and how they came back in September ready to learn, play, and bond with their teammates. We have demonstrated our collective effort and abilities. The teamwork and perseverance is

evident when we play. The Brewster (2-0-

1) captains -- Isabella Grana, Eva Cucinell, Ashley Goodliffe and Nora Tuohy -- are stoked to be playing at such a high level to start the season.

"It was a hard adjustment at first, but our team quickly adapted to this new way of playing," the quartet agreed. "The team is son goes. We are really happy to be a part of the team. This year we are working as one cohesive unit instead of individual players and it is paying off."

Goodliffe off Saturday, leading Brewster to a 9-1 victory over Our Lady of Lourdes with five goals and two assists. Grace O'Gorman was wheel-



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Yorktown's Kaitlin Reagan (L) battles Brewster's Emily Monaco in Huskers' 3-0 loss to visiting Bears.

ing and dealing with four assists for Brews-

ter. Sasha Kulo had a pair of goals and an as-

sist. Emily Monaco had a goal and an assist.

Eva Cucinelli tallied an assist and Lindsay

Somers opened the season with a 5-0

win over Panas when Ryan Mellor (1A) and

DelVecchio (2A) both went for a pair and

Ryan (1A) added a solo for the Tuskers, who

kept the pressure on Panas freshman G Kate

Astrab, who stopped 24 shots and faced 25

expected in a 9-0 season-opening win over

host Hen Hud. The Hornets may have lost

So, Lakeland picked up where everyone

Schmitt added her first varsity goal.

penalty corners.

very close both on and off the field which has been a huge factor in our playing so far this season. I think everyone is just extremely grateful to be back on the field and playing together, especially since most of us missed our spring season last year and considering the fact that some sports did not have the same opportunity we do this fall season. We're taking it one day at a time. but we're so excited to see where this sea-

a ton to graduation, but the Sailor G Caroline Coronel (14 saves) begged to differ when Hornet seniors Keirra Ettere (1A) and Emma Fon (1A) each bagged a hat trick. Lakeland's midfield and defense dominated, holding Hen Hud to a single shot on goal. Hornets Nancy Pagliaroli, (1A), Emily Mc-Govern and Mia Smith each scored once. and junior playmaker Jaden Ray had three assists.

CLASS A

GREELEY looked like a team with intentions of repeating as sectional champions during a 12-0 beatdown of Ossining behind continued on next page

Brewster's Grace O'Gorman carries as Yorktown's Sophia Reilly and Madison Tobin give chase in Bears' 3-0 win over Huskers.



Somers' Maddy Combs sends a pass while Panas' Lily McKee defends in Tuskers' 5-0 win over Panthers.

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Lily Schoonmaker's five goals. Natalie Laskowski also scored twice for the Quakers.

MAHOPAC posted a 5-0 victory over visiting Ossining on senior night when a pair of juniors scored two goals apiece. Gabby Gonzalez and Ava Jennings combined for four goals and senior Krista Dietz added another. The Indians (1-1) also suffered a 3-1 loss to Fox Lane. Haley Giannettino beat Mahopac for a pair of scores while Samantha Reder added another. Fox goalie Ally DePalma stopped 10 shots as only Gonzalez slipped one past for the Indians.

CLASS C

Credit VALHALLA with a massive effort in a 1-1 tie with PLEASANTVILLE, which controlled the game but was hard-pressed to beat Viking goalie Carina Ciardullo (20 saves). Valhalla Kathryn Wolfthal's rode a clear well and cashed in on an intercepted Panther pass for the Viking's lone tally. Pleasantville junior Ryan Sullivan tied the score in the second quarter with a goal off a Mackenzie Ennis assist.

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Mahopac's Ava Jennings scored twice and leaps into arms of Krista Dietz in Indians 5-0 win Over Ossining Saturday.



ball as Somers looks to add to its lead in 5-0 win.



Somers' Isabella Del Vecchio scans the field against visiting Walter Panas in Tuskers' 5-0 win over Panthers.

Somers' Teagan Ryan starts a fast break as Panas' Gianna Salerno Panas' Lahiri Ascuasiati (21) and goalie Kathryn Astrab try to clear the pursues in Tuskers' 5-0 win over Panthers. Shockers: White Plains Stuns Ossining, Yorktown Upsets Somers continued from page 3

each notched a pair of goals while Oscar Szutowski added his first varsity goal and assist for the Tuskers, who better stop reading their press clippings and show up strong from here on out. Any other team and we drop them significantly in this poll, but we do believe the Tuskers find their niche in a hurry..

No.3 BYRAM HILLS -- Coach Allen's Class A Bobcats (3-0) went off in a 5-0 win over Fox Lane. Bobcat junior F Nico Bisgaier (4G, 8A on the season) has been a psycho scorer to date, adding two goals and three assists for the Bobcats, who posted a second straight shutout. Junior wing Ross Eagle also scored a pair of goals and senior M Bailey Goldstein banged home another. Aidan Cogan and Frederick Saltstein combined to make five saves for Byram's second shutout of the season.

No.4 WHITE PLAINS -- 2-0 win for Coach Lambert's Class AA Tigers (2-0-1) over defending champ Ossining was a monster statement but New Ro', John Jay EF and Mamo' serve as additional obstacles to a Section 1 crown. Looks like it's gonna be some run for the roses. The 1-1 tie with Fox Lane is vexing for sure.

No.5 OSSINING -- Too much talent to count the Pride (1-1) out after an early misstep against White Plains.

No.6 LAKELAND -- Coach Hourahan's Class A Hornets settled for a 2-2 tie with Panas. The Panthers had a tough time containing Bryan Jaramillo (2A), who set up goals by Antonio Gerbasi and Jason San Lucas. Sonny Karaqi bagged a hat trick within nine minutes of a 4-0 win over Put Valley. Antonio Gerbasi added the final goal and Derek Jaramillo set up three tallies.

No.7 MAHOPAC -- Mario Bunjaj scored one goal and set up two more in the Class AA Indians' 4-0 win over Arlington B, which was

the first career win for Coach Chris "Mully" Mulholland. The Indians also lost a 2-0 decision to Arlington's A club, which they held to 1-0 at the half.

No.8 PANAS -- Panas sniper Tristain Phillips hit a penalty kick and assisted Kyle Arriano's goal in a 2-2 tie with Lakeland. G Kyle Rizzo stopped 11 shots for Panas.

No.9 PLEASANTVILLE -- Arjun Singh gave the Panthers a 1-0 lead but the Class B Panthers and Adam Panek (six saves) lost to Blind Brook, 2-1, in OT of a game the Panthers dominated territorially (17 shots on goal to 10). The Panthers also handled Briarcliff 3-0 when Mike Collins scored and then set up Mike Saldana for another. Rainer Ducmanh added the the last of three second-half goals while Panek (8 saves) added the clean sheet for the Panthers, who also bested Valhalla, 2-0.Mike Saldana and William Peacock scored goals while Patrick Panek set up both.

No.10 HORACE GREELEY -- Too much talent here to get too far down in the dumps after a 3-2 win over Ardsley.

HM FOX LANE -- A 1-1 tie with White Plains should give the Foxes confidence to run with most. Fox G Charles Della Penna made 16 saves to preserve the tie.

HM BRIARCLIFF -- The Cliffy's scored a 2-0 win over Westlake when Tyler Cho (1A) and Nico Santucci each scored to support the 150th career win of Coach Brandon Beck. Santucci was at it again in a 2-1 win over Rye Neck, scoring twice, including the game-winner in the 74th minute.

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Mahopac's Gabby Gonzalez pushes up field in Indians' 5-0 win over Ossining.



Adam Panek notched yet another shutout.

Plucked From Thin Air!



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White Plains Knocks off Reigning Class AA Champ Ossining, 2-0