Sports October 12, 2001 Footbills rock Howell North for sixth in a row Jr. Billsretain undefeated streak with Pettit on hand

John Stewart Reporter

The varsity football team traveled to ■ Francis Howell North this past Friday night with heavy hearts due to the recent diagnosis of cancer to captain Mike Pettit's father Steve. Determined to play well for Pettit, the team came out of the box strong, scoring 21 points in the first quarter on their way to an emotional 42-7 victory over the Knights.

Both defenses were successful in stopping the opposing offenses on their first possessions. The Jr. Bills, not used to being stopped on their first drive, decided to make up for it by scoring on their next three possessions. Chris Carter capped off an impressive drive by scampering 9 yards for a touchdown to give SLUH a 70 lead six minutes into the contest.

Carter is making a solid argument with fantastic play this season to be named the running back for the First-Team All Conference team. He is putting up ridiculous numbers running the ball, as he has 408 yards on just 40 carries. He is one of five running backs in the area that average better than 10 yards a carry with at least 40 carries. His explosive speed and quickness have given the team an extra dimension on the offensive side of the ball.

On their next possession, the Footbills wasted no time in adding to their lead as Chris Finney blistered through the line and scampered for a 66-yard touchdown run to give the Jr. Bills a 14-0 advantage. A little over a minute later, Finney revisited the end zone as he picked up a fumble forced by junior Joe Gilfoil and darted

into the end zone from 15 yards out. Brad Johnson's PAT was successful and gave SLUH a 21-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

"Gilfoil made a great stick to knock the ball loose," said Finney. "I was fortunate to be in good enough position to pick up the ball and get into the end zone."

Howell North managed to score a touchdown less than two minutes into the second quarter. The 15-yard touchdown reception by Dustin English slimmed the lead to 14.

"We've really played well on the defensive side of the ball this year," said junior Joe Neely. "One of our goals is to pitch a shutout, but we keep coming up one stop short. We believe that we will accomplish this goal by the end of the

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XC primed to run over competition at Conference

Brian Gilmore Reporter

omorrow, the 10th annual MCC L Championship meet will be held at Chaminade College Prep. The Flanabills have won the meet seven times, most recently in 1999 en route to a state championship. With a year's hiatus from the top of the MCC throne, the Jr. Bills are poised to take back what has usually been theirs. As head coach Jim Linhares said, "We're looking to win on all three levels."

In the varsity race, everyone is quietly confident. It will be the first time this season that the strongest seven will be running, and as Linhares says, "expectations are higher than they've been all year." With Tipper O'Brien and John Parr

finally back at full strength after battling injuries and sickness, these are realistic expectations.

O'Brien and Parr will join Pat Leinauer and junior Peter Schaefer in a fearsome foursome looking to finish in

first team all-MCC position (top 7 overall). If this is the case, and if Drew Noblot, Kevin Crean, or Kyle Gonnerman can step up and close the distance between



Racers at the Metro Invitational on October 5

four and five for SLUH, it will definitely be a happy day in Camp Linhares.

"Both DeSmet and Chaminade are the strongest they have ever been, but we are fit, focused, and ready to fight to the end. We are looking forward to Saturday, much like a pride of lions awaits a pack of antelope," Parr mused.

The junior varsity has already proven their status as top dogs in the St. Louis

> area. However, with DeSmet having a history of surprising powerful SLUH teams in the past, nobody is taking them lightly. Paced by sophomore studs Brennan Connor and Andrew Linhares, the JV looks to have a large pack at the front of the race. Andy Skosky, Geoff Stewart, Matt Killiany, Sean McDonald, and Pat Kim should be in this group. Even beyond them, the team's depth is astounding, with no visible holes, other than the absence of junior Win Tandler, who won the Metro Invitational JV race last Thursday.

On the freshman level, the team is fired up and ready to hand DeSmet a loss. Since the CBC-DeSmet tri-meet about a month ago, the team has been unable to defeat DeSmet again, and everyone is sick of losing to the rival Spartans. Henry Samson is back in the

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its scoring spirit as SLUH breezed by Chaminade 11-2, with goals coming from across the board. Abram, Szewczyk, and senior Brendan Sanders combined for 7 of SLUH's goals, with DesPain, Klein, and juniors Billy Dahlman and Mike Leuchmann adding 1 a piece. After an outburst by Chaminade coach Dan Casey, fans were overheard shouting "Good thing he's yelling at the ref's this may be the turning point in the game."

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Mouldon, a member of the eight person committee, explained the requirements for the job. An applicant must have 45 graduate hours, a masters' degree, and almost enough credits in education to warrant another degree. The candidate must also have a good deal of teaching experience.

The committee members as well as Sheridan were vague as to how many people would apply, but all seemed to agree that they hoped to have around three very qualified, very serious candidates after some are weeded out.

Essentially, the search committee, after interviews, merely makes an informed recommendation to Sheridan, who has the responsibility of the final decision.

Mouldon said that he hoped to find a candidate who would "be able to take SLUH to the next level." He went on to explain that, to him, this meant an educational leader, a person who wanted to keep SLUH growing educationally. Sheridan added to this desire, saying that he also wanted a person who could "relate to students and faculty, a person of integrity, an engaging ... supportive person."

Until Oct. 21st, the principal search will rest. At that point, the committee will either extend the deadline for applications or begin to make decisions about the existing applicants. This process should end

around mid-November, but looking for a new principal is always hard, especially after having a man like Bannister. "(He) will be hard to replace, he's a special person," said Sheridan.

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fold after an injury, and looks to join his brother Charlie at the top of the race. Joe Carlson, John Kelly, and Pat Mannhard hope to be in good position as the 3-4-5 men, all ahead of DeSmet's 3-4-5. If they can do that, the team will have a good chance at winning the championship.

Assistant coach Tim Chik expects that "All three races will be decided by a very close margin. Every place matters. We have some very strong potential, and our strong focus should help us realize this potential."

Linhares concurred, saying, "It will be the hardest fought conference meet ever."

Race times for Saturday are later than usual, due to SAT testing in the morning. The C-team races at 12:30, JV at 1:15, and Varsity at 2:00. Linhares says that "This could be one of the biggest days in SLUH cross country history".

Support and goodwill is always appreciated. For more, including results from last Thursday's Metro Invitational at Parkway Central, check out www.sluh.org/xc/xc.htm.

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"Unbeknownst to most of us, Mr. Mouldon leads a second life as a drummer for two bands. One, Progress plays top 40 covers at wedding receptions, company parties, and proms, and other functions. But the real excitement is focused on his other band, called Danny Liston, which has recently recorded an album titled Every Beat of My Heart. The album should be avaliable in record stores in a week or two."

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"Baseball Stars of Past and Present to Appear On Father's Club Program"

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