



Aquajocks ready to meet Rams at State

While the rest of SLUH hit the books in preparation for exams, the Varsity Water Polo team hit the water in preparation for this week's state tournament. Reeling off five more wins, the 1989 Aquajocks became the first polo team in SLUH history to end the regular season undefeated.

Two weeks ago, today, the Polobills advanced to the finals of the Country Day Invitational by dumping Ladue 11-5. Highlights included Jeff Zimmerman's five goals and Dave DiMarco's hat trick, as the Aquajocks whipped the Eudals without the help of starter Paul Baudendistel. Saturday night, the Bills defeated Country Day 6-4 on the strength of Zimmerman's four goals, Dave "Faith" Grimmer's single tally, and junior John Sampson's lob shot. Although three Jr. Bills were one personal foul away from being ejected from the game and Baudendistel was

still ill, the team played well enough to come back, lead 6-2 with four minutes left, and hold on for the victory.

On October 23, the Polobills drove to Parkway South and earned a 17-0 shutout, the team's third this year and only the tenth in SLUH polo history. The dominating offense was anchored by Zimmerman's four goals, junior Paulie Navarro's hat trick, and Jeff "Batman" Smith's two tallies. Last Friday, the Aquajocks crushed Parkway Central 16-4 to finish the season with nothing but wins. Hat tricks by Zimmerman, DiMarco, and Baudendistel led the assault, as the Polobills committed no personal fouls for the first time this year.

The Billikens also advanced to the semifinals in the state tournament by outscoring John Burroughs 17-6 on Wednesday, raising

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Soccerbills enter post-season ranked first

The Soccerbills finished out regular season play with four victories and one tie upping their record to 17-4-3. Victories over Granite City, Vianney, Chaminade, and Kennedy, plus a tie to Francis Howell North extended the Bills undefeated streak to thirteen games and left the Bills ranked number one going into post season play.

The Granite City Warriors traveled to the Soccerbills cold and snowy home turf Thursday, October 19 and once again fell victim to the Jr. Bills 2-1. The game started off as a midfield battle as both teams took a while to warm up in the intense cold. With ten minutes left in the first half, both teams decided to turn the heat on high. End to end play with numerous goal chances resulted. Among these chances J.J. Ossala scored the lone goal of the half. Following two pile ups in front of the SLUH goal in which Brian Leahy and Jeff Krekemeier saved almost sure Warrior goals, the Jr. Bills retaliated. Steve Held crossed a free kick to a towering Ossala who headed the ball into the net, tallying the Bills first goal and

sending them to the bench up 1-0.

The Jr. Bills were hot to start the second half and scored within the first two minutes. John Anderson provided the shot that went into the far corner of the net extending the Bills lead to 2-0. The Warriors though, were quick to cool off the Soccerbills as a cross to the middle and resulting head ball into the goal set the score at 2-1. The rest of the game was scoreless, but not uneventful as the Bills rolled on to a 2-1 victory.

Francis Howell North visited SLUH the following night and played a very defensive game in an all out effort to secure a tie with the Jr. Bills. This strategy resulted in a scoreless and rather dull 0-0 tie. The Soccerbills started out as usual with play in the midfield and then slowly took control of the game. The domination was complete by the end of the first half, and the Jr. Bill attack continually pounded at the Francis Howell net for the rest of the game. The goal, however, remained elusive as the Bills ended regulation scoreless.

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Seven Harriers qualify for State

Over the past two weeks, the JV and C Cross Country squads completed very successful seasons, while the varsity squad advanced a full team to the State Meet in Jefferson City for the first time since 1968.

SLUH's C-team raced in both the Hazelwood and Lindbergh Invitationals while the JV squad joined the Cees at Lindbergh. The Hazelwood "C" Invitational, regarded as the freshman version of State, was held on the cold, blustery day of October 18th. The freshmen took to the hills of Sioux Passage Park and came up with a respectable sixth-place finish out of the 23- team field. Mark Hochburg led the freshmen, finishing in 21st place with a personal best of 19:52,

becoming the first freshman to break the 20-minute barrier. Despite sore ankles, Tim Probst finished second for SLUH and 31st overall with a time of 20:13. Matt Dougherty (33rd), Brian Jaskiewicz (35th), and Brad Sikorski (37th) rounded out SLUH's medalists.

A week later, the JV squad joined up with the freshmen for a race on the ultra-fast and slightly too short Lindbergh course. This race provided an excellent opportunity for all of SLUH's JV and C teams to have their best races of the season, and the times reflected the speed of the course. Jeff Bierling led SLUH's JV with his astonishing 8th place finish and time of 16:16. Johnny Miles took 20th with a 16:34:34, while Steve Brockland finished 24th with a 16:37. John Rotter (16:43) and Chris Schmidt (16:49) rounded out SLUH's top five finishers. All five medaled as they led SLUH to a 3rd place finish overall.

On the freshman level, SLUH took eighth out of 18 teams. Tim Probst led the charge in 30th place with a time of 17:44. Mark Hochburg (36th) and Brad

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Gridbills win four straight, look to playoffs

The Varsity Footballs aced their first two exams of the district playoffs with victories over the Spartans of DeSmet and the Griffins of Vianney.

With a 13-3 victory over DeSmet and a 20-15 victory over Vianney, the Jr. Bills grabbed first place in their district, consisting of CBC, Vianney, and DeSmet. The Gridbills need just one more victory to clinch a berth into the state playoffs.

The SLUH Jr. Bills had a solid performance against the Spartans, who were the 0-7 going into the game. The SLUH defense kept DeSmet's offense suppressed from the start. The Spartan running backs attempted to run the ball up the middle, but they seldom got past the defensive line.

DeSmet quarterback Paul McCarthy had a less than stellar day as he was continuously pressured by the defensive unit. On a trick play, McCarthy veered out towards the sideline to receive a pass from the running back. However, SLUH senior Larry Reed crashed into him as the ball met McCarthy. The ball came loose and McCarthy was down on the grass for several minutes with the wind knocked out of him.

The SLUH offense did not have any serious trouble advancing the ball against a frustrated Spartan defense, as Steve Schnur had an impressive passing game. The Jr. Bills eventually won the game, 13-3.

In front of an electrified crowd last Friday night, SLUH out-fought the Vianney Griffins and won, 20-15. Vianney came into the game with extreme confidence in their senior star running back Joe Fiorino.

As SLUH received the ball on their own 39-yard line, the offense was ignited. Schnur quickly passed to Mark Grider for a 17-yard gain. On the very next play, Larry Reed was on the receiving end of a 44-yard Schnur bomb for a touchdown.

On their next possession Vianney drove

well until Fiorino failed to get the first down on fourth and short. SLUH got the turnover and had an easy drive down the field, which included another long 50-yard pass from Schnur to Reed. To cap the drive, Schnur snuck in a two-yard touchdown run. On the last drive of the first quarter, Fiorino and Vianney were unable to muster enough offense to score and had to settle for a punt.

At the end of the first half, Fiorino finally broke loose with a 52-yard run which set up a Vianney field goal by Steve Allgeyer from 31 yards out. With their next possession, SLUH failed to score despite a brilliant 16-yard run by Mark Grider for a first down. The Gridbills were forced to punt, ending the second quarter.

After a failed 27-yard pass from Schnur to Dehner for a first down, Fiorino pushed through the SLUH defense for 17-yard touchdown run, but Allgeyer's point after was no good. A couple penalties against Vianney and some aggressive running from Grider and Hurley led to a 43-yard field goal by Leahy, making the score 20-9.

At the beginning of an emotional fourth quarter, Fiorino led the Griffins to excellent field position on the SLUH eleven yard line. This position set up a Pat Priesmeyer touchdown run, but again the Griffins failed to gain the extra points on a run.

Both teams exchanged possessions once, failing to score, until John Bollato's 50-yard punt was downed at the Vianney one yard line. Despite four first downs, two of which were from Fiorino, the Griffins could not break through the SLUH defense to score.

Strong efforts from the offense and defense as well as traditional SLUH spirit of the crowd enabled the Jr. Bills to capture a 20-15 victory over Vianney. The Jr. Bills will attempt to improve their 2-0 record in district play tonight against CBC at Busch Stadium at 8:00 PM.

Chris Jermak and Brian McMaster

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their unblemished record to 19-0. John Guerrierio had what could be considered the best game by an individual Aquajock this season. Despite getting ejected once, John scored five goals on five shots and added six assists in only three periods of play. Grimmer's hat trick and Zimmerman's (yawn) five goals bolstered the Bills' scoring.

The play of senior goalie Tim "Point

Blank" Staley has been, in a word, awesome. Staley turned aside 29 shots in the five games and the Bills' per game average of 12.9-3.5 is the best in SLUH history.

Tonight, the Polobills play at 7 o'clock with the hope of advancing to the state championship game on Saturday at 8:30. Both games will be played at Country Day, the second-seed in the tourney.

Paul Baudendistel

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Sikorski (39th) were SLUH's remaining medalists.

While the freshman and JV squads were busy preparing for Lindbergh and Hazelwood, the varsity was preparing to charge into post-season play at the District Meet at Jefferson Barracks on October 21. SLUH finished third overall in the meet, losing only to a dominating Parkway West squad to finish a mere five points behind Kirkwood. Mickey Luna took second overall with a time of 16:51, losing by a single second to District Champ Ben Davis of Parkway West. Jerry Kester joined Luna on the All-District squad with a 10th place finish and a time of 17:35. Jim Spies became the third Harrier this season to break the 18-minute barrier, finishing 15th with a time of 17:59. John Brooks (19th) and Greg Linhares (21st) also ran strong for the Jr. Bills. The remaining two spots for the Sectional squad were filled out by Shawn Halley and Curt Miles, whose times of 18:17 and 18:33, respectively, won them varsity positions.

These seven runners stepped to the line at Sectionals the following Saturday with the confidence that they could advance to State despite the severe cloud that has hung over SLUH's performances there in the past years. Their confidence carried them to peak performances for almost every runner as they took third overall at the Sectional meet at Sioux Passage. Luna again took second, this time beating Davis but losing to Ron Cross of Parkway West as he improved over the previous week by running a blazing 16:48. Kester finished fifteenth overall and improved his District time by running a 17:34. Greg Linhares was next for the Harriers, improving by 20 seconds over his District time by running an 18:01 and finishing 27th overall. Jim Spies and Shawn Halley were right on his heels with times of 18:07 and 18:11, respectively. John Brooks' 18:21 and Jeff Bierling's 18:24 (in the open race) made them the remaining two State qualifiers from SLUH. All seven runners had superb races at Sectional as they avenged earlier losses to Kirkwood and Parkway South by beating in the most important race this year.

Greg Linhares

Quote of the Week

"Suspicion breeds confidence."

—Brazil