

Gilbert's goal in OT propels Pirates by Lakers

GUILFORD — Bryce Gilbert's goal in the second overtime lifted the Piscataquis Community Pirates to a 5-4 high school boys soccer victory over the Greenville Lakers Thursday.

HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

Brian Moulton netted two goals while Dillon Drew also had two for the 2-1 Pirates. Tyler Febus had 14 saves on 21 shots.

Noah Pratt, Nick Foley, Noah Bilodeau and Connor DiAngelo had a goal apiece for 0-2 Greenville. Evan Bjork saved five of 12 shots.

East Grand 2, Highview 0

At Charleston, Phillip Farley scored two first-half goals including a penalty kick 11 minutes into the game to lead the East Grand Vikings by Highview Christian Academy.

Thomas Holman and Tyler Frye combined to save 9 shots for the 2-1 Vikings. TJ Sheldon saved 9 of the 11 shots he faced for the 0-1 Knights.

Medomak 3, Belfast 0

At Waldoboro, Zidane McMurrin had a goal plus an assist for Medomak Valley in the win.

Cameron Hopkins and Cale Gee added goals for the Panthers.

Orono 5, Central 3

At Orono, Calvin Murphy and Joseph Astumian scored two goals apiece for Orono as it held off Central.

Nathan Shemwell added a goal for 2-0 Orono while Nathan Reid had 10 saves.

Andrew Speed had two goals and Caleb Shawn one for the Central (2-1) Red Devils. Gage Paulin had seven saves.

Bangor Christian 9, DI-S 1

At Bangor, Tyler Lehman had two goals and one assist and Tyler Welch two goals and two assists as the Patriots rolled.

Josh Palmeter and Erik Gorczok had a goal plus an assist for 2-0 Bangor Christian, and Luke Chandler and Dean Grass and Micah Martin one goal apiece.

Lee 3, Katahdin 0

At Stacyville, Hoang Chu had two goals while Mike Noyes had one in the win for Lee Academy.

Matty Knowles and Song Thai combined on two saves on six shots for 1-1 Lee.

Tanner Lane saved six of 13 shots for the 0-3 Katahdin Cougars.

Schenck 0, PVHS 0

At East Millinocket, the Wolverines and Howlers could not score through two overtimes.

Travis Thompson and Justin Thompson combined to make 10 saves on 12 shots for Schenck and Jaeden Folster made 15 saves on 20 shots for Penobscot Valley.

Hampden 1, Skowhegan 0

At Hampden, Johnny Wolfington's goal just over a minute into overtime lifted Hampden past Skowhegan.

Sam Lilley and Andy Farnham combined for three saves on three shots for Hampden while Gavin Patton stopped three of five shots for Skowhegan.

Field Hockey

Cony 6, Bangor 1

At Bangor, Delaney Keithley netted three goals and Kami Lambert and Molly Silsby two apiece to power Cony to the win.

Jacqueline Carlton had seven saves on eight shots for Cony.

Lily Waddell had Bangor's lone goal. Kahia Maheux saved 15 of 23 shots.

Brewer 3, Lewiston 0

At Lewiston, M.J. Sellers notched a goal in each half

to propel Brewer to the shut-out over the Blue Devils.

Bre Severance added a goal in the second half while Cassie Roberts had two assists and Maria Maxsimic chipped in one.

Brewer goalies Michele Maybury and Jenna Geiser combined for eight saves on 10 shots while Lewiston's Ashley Cronkite made 12 saves on 15 shots.

JV: Brewer 3-0

Edward Little 2, Hampden 1

At Hampden, Kaylie Vallee scored once in the first half and again in the second for Edward Little (3-1).

Daija Misler scored a first half goal for the Broncos (2-2). Lisa Reitmayer made 4 saves on 6 shots for the Broncos, while Delaney Morneau and Emmy Lashua combined for 3 saves on 4 shots for the Red Eddies.

JV: Edward Little 5-0

MCI 3, Leavitt 1

At Turner, Keely Manzo scored with 3:22 left in the first half to give the visiting Huskies a 1-0 halftime lead en route to the win.

Addi Williams scored at 26:57 of the 2nd half before Hailey Demascio put Leavitt on the board. Williams added another goal off a Victoria Friend assist with 3:23

left in the game to wrap the scoring.

MCI goalie Elspeth Taylor had 11 saves while Leavitt goalie Mallory Casey had 9 saves.

MCI is now 4-0 and Leavitt is 3-1.

JV: MCI 2-1

Belfast 5, Oceanside 0

At Belfast, Kylie Nelson's four goals led the Lions past Oceanside of Rockland/Thomaston.

Victoria Curtis and Amy Giaero added goals for the 4-0 Lions. Morgan Fernald saved four of five shots.

Mattie Hooper saved 11 of 29 shots for the 0-3-1 Oceanside Mariners.

Girls Soccer

East Grand 3, Highview 2

At Charleston, Natalie Golding's goal from a Madison Oliver assist with a little under 15 minutes left in the game proved to be the game winner as East Grand got past Highview Christian.

Trailing 2-1 at the half the Vikings got a goal from Jordyn Cowger 1:50 into the second half before Golding's game winner for the 1-2 Vikings.

Javona Philbrick and Hannah Goulet scored the goals for the 0-1 Highview Christian Knights.

Hampden 4, Skowhegan 1

At Skowhegan, the Broncos scored four unanswered goals to knock off the Indians.

Ashley Mahoney had a goal and two assists for 2-1 Hampden while Melissa Reichel, Christie Woodside and Helen Shearer had a goal apiece. Adie Hughes and Emily Dysart combined for five saves.

Sydney Ames scored for 0-2 Skowhegan. Amber Merry finished with seven saves.

John Bapst 4, MDI 0

At Orono, Gracie Philippon and Gina Cambria had two goals apiece as John Bapst shut out Mount Desert Island.

Anna Zmistowski added two assists for the Crusaders. Kayla Massey saved three of 10 shots.

Cassia Barnes blocked 10 of 25 shots for MDI.

Shead 3, Woodland 2

ShAt Woodland, Kresha Scott had two goals, including the game-winner in overtime for visiting Shead of Eastport.

Jacquelyn Cook scored the other goal for the 2-0 Tigers. Madison Greenlaw finished with nine saves on 15 shots.

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hats on Week 1," he added, "but it helps."

Windham Eagles (1-0) at Bangor Rams (0-1), 7 p.m. Friday: Coming off an 18-8 loss at Edward Little of Auburn in Week 1, Bangor welcomes one of the pre-season favorites in Class A North to Cameron Stadium for its home opener. Windham is led by one of the state's most experienced quarterbacks in senior Desmond Leslie, who passed for two touchdowns and rushed for a third in Windham's 41-8 win over Lewiston. Bangor is expected to still be without two key players in Luke Tuell and Philip Slick, both sidelined by early season injuries.

Mt. Blue Cougars (0-1) at Brewer Witches (1-0), 7 p.m. Friday — BDN Game of the Week: A rebuilding Mt. Blue team — 20 of its 22 starters from a year ago graduated last June — struggled against Taylor Heath and the Cony of Augusta passing offense in a 41-22 loss. The Cougars must try to regroup against a powerful Brewer rushing attack. The Witches churned out a 38-20 win at Nokomis of Newport last Saturday with halfback Trey Wood rushing for 141 yards and three touchdowns. Quarterback Cody Wood was an efficient five of six passing for 61 yards, and the Brewer first-team defense pitched a shut-out through three quarters. The Brewer-Mt. Blue game will be streamed live at bangordailynews.com.

Madison-Carrabec Bulldogs (1-0) vs. Foxcroft Academy Ponies (0-1), 7 p.m. Friday at Dover-Foxcroft: This battle at Oakes Field matches two Class C North teams with high expectations that split two meetings a year ago. Madison-Carrabec shut out Oceanside of Rockland-Thomaston, with Sean Whalen and Nick Mo-

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Bucksport at MCI	10-42	20-21	20-35	14-24	14-34	15-21	13-7	14-32	
Dexter at Mattanawcook	21-34	14-16	13-14	12-21	16-28	13-14	20-10	7-20	
Ellsworth at Orono	10-27	6-27	6-17	8-20	12-24	12-20	12-24	8-27	
Gardiner at Skowhegan	14-34	19-23	6-24	21-27	8-28	24-31	21-24	24-32	
Houlton at Washington Ad.	20-19	10-12	6-7	12-10	18-12	7-6	16-14	8-14	
Lawrence at Brunswick	17-40	22-24	13-20	10-17	21-35	17-24	12-28	34-46	
Lisbon at Maranacook	21-20	14-8	14-13	16-13	22-16	16-17	21-12	21-7	
Madison at Foxcroft	23-14	13-14	20-24	14-13	20-21	22-24	14-27	6-24	
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MDI at Belfast	30-13	21-7	21-20	17-8	28-14	16-12	21-12	24-20	
Mount View at Stearns/Lee	28-14	18-14	7-6	14-13	20-16	12-6	7-20	32-14	
Mt. Blue at Brewer	7-34	15-20	13-27	17-24	20-30	17-21	21-27	20-26	
Nokomis at Hampden	20-27	14-12	6-14	19-21	22-26	16-14	15-14	24-28	
Oceanside at Old Town	10-30	6-28	13-20	7-24	12-30	12-21	14-32	38-12	
Oxford Hills at Lewiston	17-14	20-15	14-7	17-14	16-18	22-24	27-20	24-20	
Waterville at Hermon	27-14	13-14	14-7	23-24	20-22	12-16	21-20	24-8	
Windham at Bangor	40-10	23-12	31-7	21-14	31-14	23-14	20-13	42-14	
Mt. Blue at John Bapst	49-7	28-7	24-13	28-17	30-6	21-12	34-17	46-6	
Maine at Toledo	10-24	24-28	20-35	20-27	21-31	19-27	21-27	21-28	
Stony Brook at Temple	13-30	21-23	10-21	21-24	10-28	17-21	14-21	14-24	
LAST WEEK	13-7	17-3	16-4	15-5	14-6	14-6	13-7	13-7	
SEASON	13-7	17-3	16-4	15-5	14-6	14-6	13-7	13-7	
PERCENTAGE (*combined guests)	.650	.850	.800	.750	.700	.700	.650	.650	

Pete Warner was quick out of the gates among BDN staff members with a 17-3 record and grabbed the early lead in the 51st season of the BDN Football Forecast.

Ryan McLaughlin turned in a 16-4 week, while Joe McLaughlin wound up 15-5 to

round out the top three staffers. Renee Cloukey of WAGM-TV in Presque Isle kicked off the season for the weekly guests with a 13-7 effort.

This week's guest is Matt Taylor of South Portland, an avid sports fan who helps

run a University of Maine hockey Facebook fan page.

Taylor, a 2002 graduate of South Portland High School, owns a journalism degree from Springfield College. He is a fan of all the New England professional sports teams and UMaine hockey.

rales combining for more than 200 rushing yards. Foxcroft took the tough trip to Mount Desert Island and trimmed a 21-0 second-quarter deficit to a single point before falling 28-20. Senior running back-linebacker Billy Brock was a two-way standout for the Ponies.

Bucksport Golden Bucks (1-0) vs. Maine Central Institute Huskies (1-0), 7 p.m. Friday at Pittsfield: MCI extended its winning streak against LTC Class D North foes since the

start of the 2015 season to 21 games with a Week 1 win against Stearns of Millinocket. Josh Buker threw four touchdown passes in his first start at quarterback and also returned a punt for a touchdown. Bucksport, led by junior quarterback Chase Carmichael, eased past Washington Academy of East Machias in its opener but faces a much more formidable challenge in trying to slow down the two-time defending regional champs. Dexter Tigers (1-0) vs.

Mattanawcook Academy Lynx (1-0), 7 p.m. Friday at Lincoln: Two 2015 LTC Class D North playoff teams will square off in an early bid to get the jump on one of the four postseason berths available. Both teams showed the potential for diversified offenses in their season openers, with quarterbacks Carter Ward of Mattanawcook and Brayden Miller of Dexter each throwing two touchdown passes to complement their teams' respective rushing attacks.

Mt. Blue invades Brewer for game of the week

Doyle Field in Brewer will be the venue on Friday night as the Bangor Daily News and SportsNet Maine present the second live streamed football game of the season.

The 1-0 Brewer Witches, the 2015 Class B North runners-up, are set to take on perennial playoff entry Mt. Blue of Farmington (0-1) at 7 p.m. Jim Churchill of SportsNet Maine and veteran BDN sports reporter Ernie Clark will have the call of the contest.

Games, which are sponsored by Quirk Auto Group, will be streamed live by clicking on bangordailynews.com/gameoftheweek, starting with the pregame show at approximately 6:45.

Fans later can watch a 60-second game recap with video highlights. The games are rebroadcast on Tuesday from 8 to 10 p.m. on Time

Warner Cable, Channel 9. Archived games will also be available at DriveShow-Maine.com and on TWC/Charter local video on demand.

Last week's game, the highlights from which can be watched at bangordailynews.com/gameoftheweek, featured two-time defending Class B regional champion Brunswick's 54-20 victory at Hampden Academy.

The rest of the 2016 football live streaming schedule is as follows:

- Sept. 9: Mt. Blue at Brewer, 7 p.m.
- Sept. 23: Skowhegan at Brewer
- Sept. 30: Belfast at Old Town
- Oct. 7: Winslow at Foxcroft
- Oct. 14: Bucksport at Mattanawcook
- Oct. 21: Old Town at MDI



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Hampden Academy's Casey Sudbeck gets pushed out of bounds by Brunswick's Alex Demars during a season-opening game at Hampden Academy last week.

Veazie woman finally lands rare MMA fight

BY ERNIE CLARK
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MMA REPORT

Despite Dana White's initial reluctance with the concept, the presence of women's divisions has become one of the biggest areas of growth in the Ultimate Fighting Championship.

But while the UFC president now embraces the idea and Ronda Rousey, Holly Holm and Miesha Tate have become household names within the industry worldwide, female mixed martial arts combatants at the regional levels of the sport aren't nearly as numerous.

But for Rachael Joyce of Veazie and Jessica Borgia of Lakeland, Florida, patience has paid off. Each will end a nearly one-year break from competition when they face off Saturday night as part of NEF 25 at the Androscooggin Bank Coliseum in Lewiston.

The show, which starts at 7 p.m., is scheduled to feature three professional boxing matches, five pro mixed martial arts bouts and five amateur MMA contests.

"Matching women's fights I liken to finding the proverbial needle in a haystack," said NEF co-owner and matchmaker Matt Peterson of Rumford. "It's incredibly challenging due to the lack of females competing in the sport — hence why we're bringing in Jessica Borgia from Florida this weekend to compete against Rachael Joyce.

"But at the same time, the payoff is almost always extraordinary because the women's bouts bring down the house when we feature them — they tend to steal the show and put on 'fight of the night' performances."

Joyce, whose training camps include Team Irish MMA Fitness Academy in Brewer, takes a 1-0 amateur record into the bantamweight (135-pound) bout.

"I've had one fight, last October. I've found it really hard to find fights," said Joyce, who holds a civil engineering degree from the University of Maine. "It's just tough. Maine doesn't have the population density for it. It's just hard to find that pool of fighters.

"Early in your career you want to build that experience close to home. It's the best thing for your whole team, given the commitment that is involved."

Borgia, a veterinary technician back in the Sunshine State, is coming off a loss in her most recent bout last November but had to compete in the 125-pound flyweight division and as a result fought nearly 10 pounds below her natural fighting weight.

"My coach has scheduled fights for me that have fallen through," said Borgia. "I was supposed to fight eight times

this year, and this will be my first one."

Borgia believes women face added pressure to make significant weight cuts due to the lack of available competition.

"I learned that I will never fight at 125 again," Borgia said. "It was my own fault. I lost 25 pounds in two weeks. I was sick in camp, and I fought sick."

Joyce, a former three-sport high school athlete, said she had opportunities to fight in New Jersey earlier this year but those bouts also would have required a significant weight cut to compete in the flyweight or strawweight (115-pound) divisions.

She looks forward to returning to the cage against Borgia.

"When an opponent is flying up from Florida, that's exciting," Joyce said. "It shows that she's really committed to it. It is hard to find opponents who are as committed as you are."

Peterson is optimistic that more women eventually will take up mixed martial arts at the local and regional levels.

"We hope that as the promotion continues to grow and as gyms in the state and throughout New England continue to expand that more female fighters will enter the fray so that we continue to put on exciting bouts for the fans because the women always deliver," he said.

'Relentless' Lacey inks NEF pact

Aaron "Relentless" Lacey may not have received an Ultimate Fighting Championship contract after his split-decision victory over John Santos at the "Dana White: Lookin' for a Fight" show in Bangor last month, but the Brewer High School graduate and Young's MMA fighter did not come up empty.

Lacey, 2-0 as a pro, recently signed a multi-fight developmental deal with the Maine-based New England Fights promotion and will compete in his first fight under that pact against Cory Trial at NEF 25 on Saturday night.

"I'm very happy to be signing with NEF," said Lacey, who was 6-1 as an amateur and won the NEF MMA amateur featherweight championship before turning pro. "It's a big step forward in my career and it shows that they have the utmost confidence in my ability.

"My last fight was an absolute war, but I was fortunate enough to get out of it without any serious injuries. If I'm healthy, I'm fighting — it's my passion."

Trial, a 41-year-old who fights out of Ruthless MMA & Boxing in Benton, will make his pro debut after an amateur career that included the fastest knockout in NEF MMA history — a seven-second stoppage of Corey Hinkley in June 2015.