

Penquis girls soccer team knocks off Howlers

MIL0 — Freshmen Camryn Rolfe and Cymeria Robshaw combined their scoring efforts to propel the Penquis Patriots to a 3-2 high school girls soccer victory over the previously unbeaten Penobscot Valley Howlers on Tuesday.

HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

With one minute into the game, Rolfe scored on a through pass from Robshaw. Later in the half, Rolfe notched her second goal on a Krista Dearborn assist.

Late in the second half, Robshaw scored on a break away to cement the win for the Patriots.

Scoring both goals for the Howlers was Arianna Mckinnon with assists from Amy Hallett.

In goal for the Class C Patriots (8-5-1), Jordan Durant had 24 saves on 26 shots. Sami Ireland had 11 saves on 15 shots for the Class D Howlers of Howland (13-1).

Houlton 4, Mattanawcook 0

At Lincoln, Katie Condon recorded two second half goals and an assist to propel Houlton to victory over Mattanawcook Academy.

Alexis Miller scored the only goal of the first half on an assist by Chelsea Gentile and Mia Hanning added a goal in the second half for the 12-1-1 Shiretowners.

Emma Hines and Hannah Foley combined to make five saves on seven shots for Houlton. Symone Malbaurn made 18 saves on 28 shots for the 5-9 Lynx.

Schenck 6, Bangor Chr. 2

At Bangor, Emma Alley and Samantha Falone each tallied two goals to lead the Schenck Wolverines past the Patriots.

Changeling Lane and Anna Sewell each added goal.

For Bangor Christian, both Sydney Tozer and Jasmine Brown scored.

Taylor McLaughlin had six saves on eight shots for Schenck. Bangor Christian goalie Morgan Hobert made 19 saves on 29 shots.

Central 4, Piscataquis 1

At Corinth, Emma Campbell netted two goals to propel Central to the win over Piscataquis.

Campbell opened the scoring at 35:43 in first half with a Brooke

Byers assist. Sydney Allen added the second goal and Brittany Caruso scored on a penalty kick for a 3-0 Central lead at the half.

In the second half half, Campbell scored at 22:42 and the Pirates got on the board with a goal from Hope Adkins.

Rachel Smith of Central had five saves on eight shots. Piscataquis goalie Haylee Patterson made 14 saves of 24 shots. Central finished the regular season at 10-4 while Piscataquis dropped to 3-11.

Searsport 3, Dexter 0

At Jeffrey Parola Field in Dexter, Anna Bucklin, Melinda Ogden and Karigen Coffin each scored a goal to lead Searsport to the shut out over the Tigers.

Keeper Brooklynn Alberts made six saves on 12 shots for Searsport and Reagan Patterson had 11 saves on 17 shots for Dexter.

Boys Soccer

Foxcroft 1, Hermon 0

At Dover-Foxcroft, Blake Arno scored the lone goal of the contest to give Foxcroft Academy the win over Hermon in the last regular

season game for both teams.

With 10 minutes left in the first half, Arno put the goal in on a deflected ball by Hermon goalie Jordan Potter after it was kicked by FA's Chandler Rockwell.

The Ponies' (10-3-1) Logan Butera made nine saves on 11 shots. Potter made 18 saves on 27 shots he faced for the 3-9-2 Hawks.

Bucksport 2, Mattanawcook 0

At Bucksport, Dustin Colson broke a scoreless tie with an unassisted goal at 21:38 of the first half, sparking the Golden Bucks to victory.

Colson set up a second-half goal by Austin Mason for 2-11-1 Bucksport. Cody Larsen made 3 saves on 5 shots.

Nate Merrill came up with 22 saves on 28 shots for Mattanawcook Academy of Lincoln (4-8-2).

Old Town 5, John Bapst 2

At University of Maine in Orono, Old Town scored the go ahead goal with 20 minutes remaining in the second half and went on to defeat John Bapst. Jacob Ketch led the way for the

Coyotes with three goals.

Jacob Harrison and Niko Knapp each chipped in a goal while Drew Coulombe had an assist.

For John Bapst, Michael Wells scored off a Minh Le assist and Nate Reese scored off a Tanner Ackley pass early in the second half.

Keeper Austin Sheehan made eight saves on 14 shots for the Coyotes. Bach Nguyen and Zach Grindle combined for 10 saves on 17 shots for John Bapst.

Ellsworth 3, MDI 2

At Ellsworth, MDI's Zachary Charette scored the only goal in the first half before the Eagles scored three straight goals in the second and never looked back.

With 31:02 in the second half, Dagan Berenyi scored on a PK. One minute later, Trent Goodman scored on a rebound, assisted by Kyle Golding. At 8:02 minutes, Golding netted a 35-yard direct kick under cross bar to the far post over the keeper's head.

Griffin Maristany scored for the Trojans with 2:15 left in the game.

Collins, Maddon provide entertaining subplot

BY NEIL BEST
NEWSDAY

CHICAGO — The NLCS has been billed from the start as a matchup of the Mets' talented young pitchers against the Cubs' talented young hitters with New York taking a 2-0 series lead entering Tuesday night's game.

NLCS

But one of its most entertaining subplots has featured a pair of sexagenarian baseball lifers who have charmed the public and press, and first worked together when many of their current players were around kindergarten age.

It helps, of course, that the Mets' Terry Collins, 66, and the Cubs' Joe Maddon, 61, are in contention for the National League Manager of the Year Award — not to mention the World Series.

Nostalgic stories and colorful quotes tend to be less adorable when the person telling them has a losing record.

But here we are, and it has been fun to watch and listen as Collins, the underdog in this battle of news conferences, has more than held his own against his old pal Maddon, whom he hired as his bench coach with the Angels in 1997.

Most fans outside New York had not heard much from Collins before this season, while Maddon's "Most Interesting Man in the World" routine and his resume from a previous stop in Tampa Bay made him well known nationally.

Maddon is so accustomed to this stuff that he played along after Monday's off-day workout with several followup questions regarding his decision to blast the theme from "Rocky" in the visiting clubhouse at Citi Field after Game 2.



Chicago Cubs manager Joe Maddon (left) shakes hands with New York Mets manager Terry Collins (right) before Game 1 of the NLCS at Citi Field in New York on Oct. 17.

ROBERT DEUTSCH | USA TODAY

The average baseball manager — and any football coach alive — would have lost patience after question No. 2.

Collins, meanwhile, seems incapable of the evasive answers that are standard in modern coaching and managing, perhaps never more so than when he admitted he had no idea what was going on during the Wilmer Flores crying incident in July.

On Monday most coaches would have talked around the state of Matt Harvey's shoulder after he was struck by a line drive in Game 1 Saturday. Collins admitted the shoulder was swollen, then admitted he was surprised by how swollen it was.

My thought at the time, perhaps colored by covering

professional hockey and football for several decades: I am surprised you are telling us about this, and even more surprised you are telling us you are surprised.

Then someone asked Collins about "managerial fatigue" and whether his mind is going 24/7 these days.

"Yes," he said. "Umm ... 'It is?'"

"Yes, sleep's the enemy right now."

Then Collins mentioned his concerns over Harvey's swelling again, and what his pitching alternatives are for Game 5.

"Those things are always there," he said. "Unfortunately, they stick with you. Like the conversation level with my wife has gone downhill, so there's too many other things that take place right now

for me. That's just me."

That is the key. Maddon and Collins are just being themselves in front of reporters, as they are in front of a far more important constituency: their players.

Before Game 2 someone asked Collins whether he has changed as a communicator since his more intense, more uptight earlier stage as a manager.

"I've always thought my whole life that I've had the ability to hold a conversation," he said to laughter, then added, "In recent years I think I spend more time in conversations with my players than I ever have before. When I first came here, one of the things that I absolutely worked on every single day was to talk to every player on the team."

Piscataquis, Dexter advance to semifinal showdown

GUILFORD — Jordynne Littlefield scored the lone goal of the game in the second overtime to give the Piscataquis Community Pirates a 1-0 victory over the Winthrop Ramblers in a Class C North field hockey quarterfinal Wednesday.

FIELD HOCKEY ROUNDUP

The fourth-ranked Pirates (9-5-1) advanced to a semifinal showdown Saturday against No.1 Dexter while No. 5 Winthrop finished at 7-7-1.

Littlefield scored unassisted with 5:29 left in the second overtime.

Corinna Coulton made nine saves on 11 shots for Winthrop. Sydney Marden saved all six shots she faced, posting her fifth shut out of the season for the Pirates.

Dexter 1, Orono 0

At Hampden under the lights, Grace Belanger scored an unassisted goal 10 minutes into the first half to lift the top-seeded Tigers to victory over the eighth-ranked Red Riots in a Class C North quarterfinal.

Dexter's Kaitlyn Paquin did not have a save as Orono had no shots on goal.

For the Red Riots, Mariah Cyr turned away 20 of 31 shots.

The Tigers are now 13-2 and will host Piscataquis of Guilford in a Saturday semifinal. Orono finishes the season 3-11-1.

Class A

Mt. Blue 3, Edward Little 0

At Farmington, Abby Wallace scored two goals to lead No. 4 Mt. Blue by No. 5 Edward Little in a Class A

North quarterfinal.

Adelle Foss also contributed a goal and Hannah LeClair added an assist for the Cougars (10-4-1). Goalie Ericka McArthur didn't have to make a save.

Mt. Blue outshot Edward Little of Auburn 32-0 and had a 14-0 advantage in penalty corners.

Karli Stubbs finished with 23 saves for Edward Little (9-6).

Mt. Blue advanced to a Saturday semifinal against No. 1 Messalonskee in Oakland, which beat No. 8 Mt. Ararat of Topsham 7-0 in their quarterfinal.

Class B

Gardiner 4, Camden Hills 1

At Gardiner, Nickyia Lovely scored two goals and set the school career scoring record to lead the top-ranked

Tigers by the eighth-seeded Windjammers in a Class B North quarterfinal.

Gardiner (13-2) will next host No. 4 Lawrence of Fairfield in a Saturday semifinal. Lawrence eliminated No. 5 Old Town 4-0.

Lovely scored her first goal on pass from her sister, Hailee, with 14 minutes left in the first half, breaking the career goals mark of 61 held by Hailey Chadbourne.

Hailee Lovely scored Gardiner's first goal three minutes into the game. Camden Hills cut the lead to 2-1 on Emily Daggett's unassisted goal with 11 minutes left in the first half.

Maddy Beaulieu and Nickyia Lovely added second-half goals for the Tigers. The 'Jammers finished at 7-8.

UMaine

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Quinnipiac completely dominated the first period to the tune of a 19-4 shots-on-goal advantage.

Tommy Schutt, Devon Toews (power play) and K.J. Tiefenwerth expanded the lead in the second period as

Quinnipiac built a comfortable 4-0 margin after two periods.

Schutt capitalized on a glaring error by the Black Bears to make it 2-0 at the 5:08 mark of the second period as a Maine clearing attempt landed directly on his stick and he beat Morris with a low 40-foot slapper through traffic to the far corner.

Toews extended the lead

5:46 later when he chased down the puck, had it pop off Riley's stick and helmet when they both poke-checked it and swept a one-timer through Morris.

Tiefenwerth scored with 2:20 remaining as he carried the puck down the right wing on a two-on-two, sliced to the net front as both Maine defensemen faded to the middle and tucked home

his own rebound from five feet out.

Quinnipiac outshot Maine 33-12 through two periods.

Maine sophomore goaltender Sean Romeo made his 2015-16 debut in the third period and stopped all seven shots he faced.

Maine will host the University of New Brunswick for an exhibition game at 7 p.m. Friday.

UMF women shut out Husson University

BANGOR — Ashley Gleason scored two of the University of Maine-Farmington's three first half goals as the Beavers rolled to a 4-0 women's soccer victory over the Husson University Eagles Tuesday at Boucher Field.

It was UMF's first shutout over Husson since 2010. Bridget Humphrey scored UMF's first goal from a Dayle Jordan assist at 14:37 and Humphrey set up Gleason's first goal six minutes later. Gleason added an unassisted tally at 32:55.

Katie Clark added an unassisted second-half goal at 77:57 for UMF, now 6-9-1 overall and 3-4-1 in the North Atlantic Conference.

Kiana Thompson finished with nine saves for UMF and Kayla Gordon had 11 for Husson (6-8-1, 3-4).

The Eagles outshot the Beavers 20-18 and had a 9-3 edge in corner kicks.

MMA 4, Thomas 0

At Castine, Tori Cooper scored two goals, one in each half, to propel Maine Maritime Academy by the Terriers of Waterville.

Cooper broke open the scoring in the fifth minute with a booming free kick that curved into the net.

Makayla Lewis found the back of the net in the 18th minute on a ball played up by teammate Morgan Libby to make it 2-0.

Susana DeFrank added a goal in the 22nd minute and Cooper converted a penalty kick at the 61st minute.

Maggie McConkey made four saves for MMA (8-6-1, 5-1-1) while Paige Leary finished with nine for Thomas (6-9, 3-5).

Men's Soccer

UMF 1, Husson 0

At Bangor, an own goal by

Husson gave UMaine-Farmington the victory.

With 1:10 left on the clock, UMF goalkeeper Matt Wilson lined a free kick to set up the offense. The kick was defended by Husson, but UMF's Tayoung Nuyepga was able to control the ball after Husson knocked it away. Nuyepga volleyed a pass into the box where Luke Dwornik took a shot from 10 yards out that deflected off a Husson defender and into the back of the net.

Matt Wilson made 12 saves on 28 shots for UMF (5-8-2, 3-4-1) while Steve Paquette finished with one save on six shots for Husson (7-5-1, 4-3).

The victory snapped UMF's four-game skid against Husson dating back to 2010.

Thomas 1, MMA 0

At Castine, London Steede-Jackson converted on a free kick in the 79th minute to give the Terriers of Waterville the victory.

Joakin Sternas stopped a penalty kick and finished with two saves for Thomas (11-4, 7-1) while Joshua Reeks had a save for MMA (3-10-1, 2-4-1).

Field Hockey

St. Joseph's 2, UMF 1

At Standish, Amanda Celata scored two second-half goals to propel St. Joseph's by UMaine-Farmington.

Michalia Parent assisted on each goal, the first at 43:57 and the second about 11 minutes later.

Emma Martineau scored off a Rebecca Young assist at the 29:49 mark of the first half for UMF.

Patty Smith finished with two saves on six shots for UMF (8-4) while Emma Astbury and Megan Baker splitting time in goal for St. Joseph's (11-4) with Baker making two saves.

Mariners interview Varitek for managerial job

THE SPORTS XCHANGE

Former Boston Red Sox catcher Jason Varitek interviewed for the Seattle Mariners' vacant managerial job, multiple media outlets reported Tuesday.

Varitek, 43, has worked as a special assistant to the general manager with the Red Sox since 2012 after former GM Ben Cherington hired him, but he has no experience in the dugout as a manager.

The three-time All-Star was drafted by the Mariners in 1994 but played his entire 15-year major league career with the Red Sox after he was traded with right-hander Derek Lowe in 1997 in exchange for Heathcliff Slocumb. Varitek retired as a player in 2011 with 193 home runs, 757 RBIs and a .256 career batting average. The longtime captain played for two World Series champions and was behind the plate for four no-hitters.

MLB.com reported that the other candidates interviewed by the Mariners include Tampa Bay Rays third base

coach Charlie Montoyo, Arizona Diamondbacks Triple-A Reno manager Phil Nevin, former Los Angeles Angels special assistant Tim Bogar and current ESPN analyst and former major league infielder Alex Cora.

The Mariners are seeking a replacement for Lloyd McClendon, who was let go by new general manager Jerry Dipoto after the 2015 season. Dipoto was hired by the Mariners in late September after stepping down as Angels general manager earlier this year.

If Varitek doesn't land the job or decides not to take it, his job with the Red Sox is secure, according to president of baseball operations Dave Dombrowski and general manager Mike Hazen.

Varitek, who lives in the Atlanta area with his family, works with Red Sox catchers in spring training, visits the team's minor league clubs, helps with scouting and the amateur draft and makes visits to the Red Sox several times per season to work with players.