

Two named state Heisman winners

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Talor Hamilton of Ellsworth and Maeve McGowan of Morse High School in Bath have been named state winners of the 2015 Wendy's High School Heisman award.

Hamilton and McGowan are among 100 state winners from around the country in the running to be one of five senior boys and five senior girls named national final-

ists, which will be announced Nov. 23.

National finalists then will be considered for the national high school Heisman award to be presented on Dec. 11 in New York City.

The Wendy's High School Heisman honors the highest-achieving high school seniors for their academic and athletic accomplishments and leadership in their communities.

Hamilton is a star swimmer at Ellsworth High

School. He was named performer of the meet at the 2015 Class B state championships, where he set a state record while winning the 100 backstroke in a time of 52.2 seconds and also won the 100 butterfly and was part of a championship-winning 200 medley relay team.

McGowan is a cross-country and track and field runner at Morse.

McGowan and Hamilton were selected from Maine's group of 17 state finalists, a

list that also included Sarah Blometh and Chase Malloy of Madison, Ashleigh Collins of Bangor Christian, Blake Woods of Hodgdon, Sydney Petrie of Mountain Valley of Rumford, Donald Hustus of Brooks and Mount View High School of Thorn-dike, Aspen Cote of Madawaska, Jacob Cressey of Woolwich and Morse High School, Emily Lobleby of Marshfield and Washington Academy of East Machias, Joshua Perrin of Crystal

and Southern Aroostook Community High School, Jessica Willerson of Falmouth and Catherine McAuley High School of Portland, Jacob Trask of Winslow, Mackenzie Edwards of Gardiner, Rachel Bunker of Ellsworth, and Logan Huck-ins of Machiasport and Calais Middle-High School.

For more about Wendy's High School Heisman or to view all the state winners and national finalists, visit www.WendysHeisman.com.

Richards leads UM to win over Dartmouth

HANOVER, New Hampshire — Audra Richards scored two goals to lift the University of Maine women's hockey team by the Dartmouth College Big Green on Tuesday night.

Richards scored her first goal with an assist from Mikayla Rogers 2:32 into the second period to give the Black Bears a 2-0 lead after Catherine Tufts had scored unassisted with 51 seconds left in the first period.

Dartmouth responded at the 5:48 mark of the second period when Morgan Turner scored off an assist from Kennedy Ottenbreit.

The Bears resumed their two-goal lead just 2:49 into the third period when Eve Boissonneault scored while Alyson Mattea picked up an assist. Richards added her second goal with 4:06 left in the game, with Brooklyn Langlois notching an assist.

Dartmouth outshot Maine 27-16, but Bears goalie Mariah Fujimagari finished with 26 saves. Christie Honor had 12 saves for Dartmouth.

Maine is now 6-6 and Dartmouth is 2-2-2.

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Muehlbauer made his debut last weekend after sitting out with an injury.

"I've been on some other teams that didn't start well, and the only thing you can do is stay positive," junior alternate captain Cam Brown said. "We know we can turn it around. It's hard because we're playing well, but we just aren't burying our chances. We have to bear down and finish our chances. Once we do that, we'll win games."

Junior Dan Renouf and freshman Sam Becker, who are both defensemen, have never been on a team that went nine games without a win.

"I've been trying to deal with it in different ways. We'll figure something out," said Renouf. "We ran into a hot goalie [Thatcher Demko] last weekend, and besides not being able to finish, we played well. We dominated play at times. If we start putting pucks in the net, we'll start winning a lot of games."

"This is a new experience for me, but we're all sticking together, which is positive," said Becker. "Both games against BC were pretty even, we just couldn't score. If we keep putting pucks on net, we'll get our goals."

"We feel good about ourselves. We're confident in ourselves. We just haven't produced yet," added Becker.

Clukey

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She posted the second-best final run, which was faster than Germaine but not by enough to overtake her in total race time or total seeding points.

The Park City venue generally has not been kind to Clukey, who was edged out of an Olympic berth here two seasons ago by only 0.013 of a second.

The 30-year-old Cony High School graduate did rebound the day after the final seeding race to finish third at the Norton National Championships, also held at Park City on the course used during the 2002 Winter Olympics.

Sweeney won the two-run event in 2 minutes, 57.922 seconds, with Britcher second in 2:58.165, and Clukey earning the bronze medal in 2:58.374.

Clukey won the Norton National Championship in 2012 and finished second in 2009.

Rockies shortstop arrested in case of domestic abuse

THE SPORTS XCHANGE

Colorado Rockies shortstop Jose Reyes was arrested on Halloween night after being accused of grabbing his wife by the throat and shoving her into a sliding glass door.

The alleged assault reportedly took place at the Four Seasons Resort on the Hawaiian island of Maui.

According to reports, hotel security called police, and Reyes was arrested. His wife, Katherine Ramirez, sustained injuries to her thigh, wrist and neck.

Reyes was released on bail. The Rockies released a statement Monday night that read, "We were extremely disappointed and concerned to learn of the allegations involving Jose Reyes. We continue to gather information and will address this matter appropriately, in accordance with Major League Baseball's Joint Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Policy."



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Indianapolis Colts quarterback Andrew Luck is helped up after a hard hit during the second half Sunday at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. The Colts beat the Broncos 27-24, but will lose Luck for two to six weeks because of a lacerated kidney and a partial tear of the abdominal muscle.

Luck injury latest adversity for Colts

THE SPORTS XCHANGE

INDIANAPOLIS — The Colts announced Tuesday that quarterback Andrew Luck will be sidelined two to six weeks after being diagnosed with a lacerated kidney and a partial tear of the abdominal muscle.

"It happened early in the fourth quarter on a scramble play going into the end zone I think right before we threw a touchdown to (running back Ahmad) Bradshaw," Colts coach Chuck Pagano said during a conference call with the team's media. "Andrew was sore after the game. Probably felt worse Monday afternoon."

"We sent him for some tests and the tests revealed that he had a laceration to one of his

kidneys and a partial tear to an abdominal muscle. We don't feel like at this time that it is going to require any surgery and he'll make, obviously, a full recovery. Timetable right now is probably two-to-six weeks. Again it's probably too early to forecast which end of that it will be. We'll just continue to listen to our doctors and evaluate Andrew on a week-to-week basis."

Backup quarterback Matt Hasselbeck will now take over as Indianapolis' starter. Hasselbeck is 2-0 already this season as he directed the Colts to wins over the Jacksonville Jaguars and Houston Texans while Luck was nursing a right shoulder injury.

"Yeah, I think certainly from a confidence standpoint

from everybody — players, coaches and everybody in this organization — to know that you got a guy that's got the volume of snaps and plays under his belt and the experience of Matt and the fact that he's gone out and won two football games for you already this year is obviously very positive moving forward," Pagano said.

Indianapolis is next scheduled to play at the Atlanta Falcons on Nov. 22. It's expected that any plans Hasselbeck may have had for the bye week will be put on hold as he prepares himself to be the team's starting quarterback against the Falcons and beyond.

The Colts will probably be looking for another veteran quarterback to take over the

No. 2 spot. Second-year veteran Matt Blanchard was on the practice squad but he was released Tuesday afternoon after the Luck injury announcement.

Indianapolis added Alex Tanney to the practice squad later in the day, Tanney (6-4, 220) had been with the Colts earlier this season. The team also signed safety Dezmen Southward to the practice squad and released offensive guard Kitt O'Brien.

Indianapolis had announced Monday that rookie defensive tackle Henry Anderson had suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament against the Broncos on Sunday and would be lost for the remainder of the season. And now the news about Luck.

Patriots

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England early after establishing himself as a core playmaker in the NFL's No. 1 scoring attack.

The team has already placed left tackle Nate Solder and interior lineman Ryan Wendell on injured reserve, along with projected starting cornerback Tarell Brown (foot). The team also entered Sunday's game with tackle Marcus Cannon (toe), guard Tre' Jackson and (knee), Jamie Collins (illness) listed as inactive, while center Bryan Stork (concussion) and wide receiver Brandon LaFell (foot) recently returned from injured reserve and PUP, respectively.

Though the long-term sta-

tus for Vollmer is unknown and Lewis isn't the first Patriots passing back to be lost to injury over the years, even the second half action against Washington showed their absences would clearly affect Tom Brady's offense. Stork, a career interior lineman, had to play right tackle while second-year practice squad call-up Cameron Fleming had to man the ever-important left tackle spot, a job he'd never held at any level.

Belichick, rarely one to address injuries, acknowledged the issue in his news conference.

"We obviously had to grind it out and had a lot of guys step up maybe that hadn't played as much that had to step in and play, played well and did a good job of being ready to go," Belichick said. "Left some

things on the field that we could have executed a little bit better, but overall I thought it was a good job by everybody being ready to go."

"As I said, we had to call on a lot of people, some who haven't played a lot for us or haven't played in some of the positions that they ended up playing today and did a good job."

Next man up is always the mantra in New England and for the most part this season it has been successful. Veteran Brandon Bolden stepped in for Lewis and caught an 18-yard touchdown. Stork actually saw action at center, guard and, for the first time in his career, right tackle. That's a trench trifecta of action that Belichick said he never before saw in his 40-plus years on an NFL sideline.

Brady, who was not sacked once and had 161 yards rushing to balance out the attack, was impressed with the guys in front of him.

"A lot of guys scrambled to figure out exactly what we're going to do," he said. "And they played really hard, so I'm proud of them. I mean, for Bryan to play right tackle, he hadn't played center this year and he goes in and plays right tackle. It's like unbelievable, and then Flem (Cameron Fleming) to go to left tackle, which ... I don't know when we thought about doing that, but that's what happens when you're a little bit under pressure."

The solid play by the fill-ins is in many ways seen simply as living up to Belichick's Do Your Job organizational mantra.

Protest

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That in turn was mindful of Heat players the year being photographed wearing hoodies in support of Trayvon Martin, another unarmed black youth who had been the victim in a shooting.

Sports celebrities such as Michael Jordan and Tiger Woods often are criticized for not speaking out about anything controversial or

political for fear of alienating sponsors or some fans.

Athletes are people first, though, and if their conscience drives them to speak out, that is their right. I won't say it is their obligation, although that's arguable, too.

At Missouri, there had been sit-ins organized by Concerned Student 1950 (named for the year the school admitted its first black students), a group that charged Wolfe with enabling "a culture of racism." There had been classes canceled by sympa-

thetic faculty supporters, even a hunger striker and a call for change by the governor. But it took a threatened boycott of games by a major-conference team to gain the national attention that applied the pressure that forced Wolfe's resignation.

As famous Missouri alum Michael Sam, the NFL's first openly gay player, said, "Things change when sports gets involved."

If the people who care the most about the University of Missouri and are on campus believe a change in presi-

dents will be a step forward, that should be good enough for those of us watching from afar.

This isn't just about Missouri, though. These things never are. There are no isolated incidents.

We need to keep a light fixed on race relations in America and keep talking about them until we get them a little bit closer to right than they are today.

The Missouri Tigers football team helped do that.

The victory is theirs, and ours.

Gambling

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of thousands of New Yorkers they are not allowed to play a game they love and share with friends, family, co-workers and players

across the country."

In October, the Nevada Gaming Control Board and the state's attorney general determined that daily fantasy sites should be defined as sports gambling and need a license to operate in that state. FanDuel and DraftKings immediately stopped operating in Nevada.

FanDuel's headquarters are located in New York and DraftKings is based in Boston. Both sites advertise heavily in New York City and around the country.

"Our investigation has found that, unlike traditional fantasy sports, daily fantasy sports com-

panies are engaged in illegal gambling under New York law, causing the same kinds of social and economic harms as other forms of illegal gambling, and misleading New York consumers," Schneiderman said. "Daily fantasy sports is neither victimless nor harmless."

Bangor

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one," said Bragg, who is a guard in basketball and third baseman in softball.

The team chemistry also was vital. The seniors have played together since they were young.

"We're very close. We're best friends, and that really helped," said Bragg.

Johnson said the senior leadership was "awesome," and they made all the newcomers feel welcome.

"The freshmen fit in really well," said Gilmore, who is a guard in basketball and center fielder in baseball.

Johnson thought it would be difficult to replace Boulier and Butler, "but we did it with a lot of people."

Eight players scored at least three goals, and six had at least one goal in their four playoff wins.

Freshman striker Libby Spekhardt, Bragg and junior midfielder Katie Butler led a balanced attack with 16, 11 and eight goals, respectively; senior striker Erynne Sauda had six, and junior midfielders Grace Morris and Megan Conner had five each. Fleet-footed sophomore Luci Clein (three goals) created problems for opposing backs.

Gilmore said Spekhardt's impressive preseason gave her confidence that goal-scoring wouldn't be an issue.

Spekhardt's had a team-high three playoff goals. The Rams received two pieces from Butler and Morris. Conner and speedy sophomore Maddi Cormier also scored.

Cormier finished with a team-high 14 assists to go with four goals.

And Gilmore was superb, making a bunch of game-changing saves while allowing just two goals and posting three shutouts in the postseason. She wound up with 13 shutouts overall and made 120 saves including 12 against Gorham.

"Emily would have been the most valuable player of the state game," said Johnson.

"Our defense was strong. Maeve [Harrigan] controlled everything back there, and they cut the angles off for me," said Gilmore.

Freshman Bella Varisco, junior Kira Yardley and sophomore Maddie Symonds and Lauren Young joined Harrigan in the reliable and resourceful back line.

The Rams had a very deep team, and Johnson played a lot of players, which will bode well for the future.