

QV Boosters laud soccer coverage

To the editor:

On behalf of the Quaker Valley
Soccer Boosters Association and
the PIAA-AA Championship

Quaker varsity soccer team, I
would like to thank you and Rich
Bottles, (former) sports editor,
for your fine coverage of the 1991
soccer team.

It was rewarding for these
young men who worked so hard
and represented their school
with such pride to be recognized
for their efforts in the local
newspaper.

Yours truly,
Marnie McKnight
Edgeworth

Sports

National soccer coaches honor QV girls

The National Soccer Coaches Association (NSCAA) honored the Quaker Valley High School girls soccer team for its National Championship in 1991.

The coaches meeting included nearly 1,500 soccer coaches from around the country. In attendance were a number of the U.S. National Women's Team, who won the first Women's World Cup tournament held in China in November.

Several college coaches were also in attendance, including Anson Dorrance, coach of both the Women's National Team and the University of North Carolina team.

Dorrance, who conducts several coaching clinics, has asked several Quaker Valley girls to demonstrate techniques at his clinics: Liz Gaadt, Julie McDaniel, Liz Neidlinger, Angel Vezza, Kara Csensich, Tina Jordan, Jen Tedesco, Kari Wheeler and Rachel Stroup.

"The girls worked hard all year and as a team," said QV girls coach Dom Vezza. "Someone was always stepping up to lead the on-field efforts, with our senior captains providing great leadership."

The Quaker Valley girls completed the 1991 high-school season undefeated, 23-0, 26-0 overall, including shutting out all opponents in the WPIAL playoffs. They were in the top 10 nationally all year in the Gatorade/NSCAA poll.



PICTURED HERE is the 1991 WPIAL and Section 1 champion Quaker Valley girls soccer team, which accumulated a 25-0 season record. First row, from left — Rachel Stroup, Tina Jordan, Julie Poister, Liz Neidlinger, Liz Gaadt, Kari Wheeler and Emily Bikowski; second row — assistant coach Rick Clark, Carrie Bikowski, Chrissy LaForte, Jen Tedesco, Kara Csensich, Julie McDaniel, Ann Tirimacco, Angel Vezza, Jill Moody

and head coach Dom Vezza; third row — Ashley Hoehl, Natalie Hoepf, Lily Johnson, Donna Provenzano, Jessica Grandey, Katie Hayes, Blair Daniels, Annie Riley, Kathy Seymour and Laurie Mueller; fourth row — Courtney Baker, Kristy Csensich, Erin Beers, Maureen McDaniel, Lisa Tirimacco, Kristen Norris, Beth Bogdewic, Krysta Steines and Courtney Smith. Missing from the picture are Bridget Sullivan and Sharon Lauffer.

Sports

Superstar Arnold Schwarzenegger pens fan letter to QV soccer team

On behalf of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports (PCPFS), I am pleased to congratulate the Quaker Valley High School Girls Soccer Team on your WPIAL Championship and on being designated by USA Today as the number one high-school girls-soccer team in the country.

I played soccer when I was growing up in my native Austria. It is a great game and is played in over 165 countries, making it the most popular worldwide sport.

Soccer demands alertness and a commitment to teamwork. Valuable lessons about perseverance and sportsmanship are learned, and I hope each of you will continue to strive to be the best that you can be.

I am proud to say that eight women currently

serve on the President's Council, speaking out on fitness and sports issues in the nation's best interest.

Participation in team or individual sports is a good way to promote good health, while at the same time developing leadership and communication skills and enhancing athletic talent.

The PCPFS carries out a Presidential Sports Award Program, emphasizing regular exercise. One of the more than 10 sports/fitness categories included in the program is soccer.

Stay fit and healthy and best wishes for continued success.

Arnold Schwarzenegger
Chairman

▼ SOCCER



ENJOYING THEMSELVES after being selected to the Olympic Development Team (ODP) are, from left: Liz Gaadt, Tiana Jordan and Liz Neidlinger.

Local soccer players make select squad

Five girls from the Sewickley Valley area have been selected to Pennsylvania West Youth Soccer Association Olympic Development Program (ODP).

Named to the under-19 team were Liz Neidlinger and Liz Gaadt. Tiana Jordan made the under-17 team, and Lori Gross and Bethany Csensich will play for the under-13 team.

ODP teams represent the best 16 players in each age group brought together to improve their skills by providing a high level of coaching, training and competition.

They will participate in various development tournaments in Virginia, Massachusetts and Indiana from May through July.

The under-19 and under-17 teams will compete for the Pennsylvania Cup this July in Philadelphia.

• Liz Neidlinger was selected to the team for the fifth time, this year as the starting under-19 goalkeeper.

• Liz Gaadt was selected for the third time as a midfielder.

• Tiana Jordan was selected to the under-17 team as a defender.

• Bethany Csensich, a seventh grader, is making her second appearance on the ODP as a forward and midfielder.

• Lori Gross is making her first appearance on the team. She was selected to the team as both a goalkeeper and a field player.

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QV's success rooted in youth programs

For the past two seasons, the QV Lady Quaker soccer team has enjoyed great success under Coach Don Vezza.

The team has accumulated an 44-2-1 overall record, including a WPIAL and National Championship last year.



However, the skills, dedication and teamwork exhibited at the high-school level can be traced back to the youth soccer programs the girls grew up with in the area.

Youth soccer here is represented by Sewickley Area Soccer (SAS), the local club for the Pennsylvania West organization.

SAS is the local youth-soccer representative for soccer's international governing body, the FIFA, and the national govern-

ing bodies, the United States Soccer Association (USSA) and the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA).

With this comes three levels of youth competition.

The local in-house and travel teams are the grassroots level. The next level is the club, or "classic league" level, and the top of the youth-soccer level in the Olympic Development Program (ODP) by birth-year group.

The in-house and travel teams provide opportunities in both the spring and the fall. Once the players reach high-school age, the youth level teams are only available in the spring.

This becomes the time where specialized training and experimentation with new techniques and approaches occur.

The club level is where the player selection really takes shape. From under-12 and up, players try out for club teams. Only one or two from a given town may make a team.

Competition is against the similarly constituted teams in the "classic league" of Pennsylvania West and in tournaments around the country.

This in-depth training has produced some of the best girls soccer players the valley has ever seen, including Liz Neidinger, Liz Gaadt and Julie Poister, just to name a few.

One can always look back to the youth-soccer programs in Sewickley as a foundation for these top players.

SAS sign-ups now under way

Fall registration is on for Sewickley Area Soccer (SAS).

Registration forms are available at the United Men's Store, 407 Beaver St., in Sewickley, or may be submitted in person at personal sign-up day on Saturday, July 18, from 10-2 p.m. at the Car Barn Shops in Sewickley.

Registration forms also can be mailed to P.O. Box 363, Sewickley, Pa., c/o Sewickley Area Soccer.

The age groupings for boys and girls for the upcoming fall season are:

- Under-8 — birthdays Aug. 1, 1984 to July 31, 1986.
- Under-10 — birthdays Aug. 1, 1982 to July 31, 1984.
- Under-12 — birthdays Aug. 1, 1980 to July 31, 1982.
- Under-14 — birthdays Aug. 1, 1978 to July 31, 1980.

The season will commence the weekend of Sept. 12. Charges are \$25 for the first child and \$20 for each additional child player in the family.

Co-ed leagues, as well as girls leagues, once again will be offered in all eligible age groups.

Any parent interested in being a coach, assistant coach or referee can tell Sewickley Area Soccer (SAS) officials on July 18.

For more information about registration or SAS, call Julie Rickert at 741-2366.

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▼ LETTER

SAS players respond to remarks

Dear editor:

In response to the letter concerning Sewickley Area Soccer (SAS) in the Aug. 12 issue of the Herald (Parent addresses SAS in letter to the editor), we have to strongly disagree.

We are two individuals who have played with SAS since the age of 5. This coming school year, we will both be sophomores playing for Quaker Valley and Sewickley Academy.

SAS not only taught us to play soccer, but it taught us how to be part of a team and the value of sportsmanship. Neither of us was the daughter of a coach, nor did we have any older siblings who played soccer, and we don't see what that has to do with being a good player.

Soccer, like any other sport, takes practice to learn; it's not hereditary in any way.

So, to answer your question about how the skilled players acquire their skills, it is by hard work under the guidance of the coaches and the players. It must be understood that the



point of joining a team sport, like SAS, is not to be the star of the team, but to work with your teammates so that each player has equal playing time and all the individual's talents can be fused together to make one

strong team.

What makes SAS really great is that any child can play no matter what his skill level is. Also, it is not in the coaches' hands to talk about tryouts for a select team.

Coaches affiliated with select teams ask the SAS coaches for players, and the coaches may only send a few players to try out.

Believe us, if your child is eligible to play for a select team, the coach will let you know. There is no conspiracy.

We strongly recommend to you parents in this community to seriously consider giving your children the opportunity to play for SAS, even if they don't know anything about the sport because, believe us, they will be taught.

Sincerely,
Rachel Stroup
Stacy Puskar

U.S. national team to train in town

■ Aleppo resident and Robert Morris College soccer coach John Kowalski will lead the team to Hong Kong for the world championships in November.

If you missed the "Dream Team" playing in the Summer Olympics last month, do not panic: Local residents will be able catch the action this Monday and Tuesday.

Twenty of the best indoor soccer players in the entire United States will train at SporTrak this Friday through Wednesday. They will return for a second session Oct. 25 to Nov. 1.

Team USA will be coached by John Kowalski, an Aleppo resident who is Robert Morris College soccer coach. He will be prepping the squad for the second FIFA five-a-side world championships in Hong Kong this November.

First-round games for Team USA include Russia on Nov. 17, Spain on Nov. 19, and China on Nov. 21.

Kowalski's team surprised many people in the soccer world in 1988 when it captured the bronze medal in Holland.

In town will be some of the top players in the United States: goalkeeper Victor Noguero, forward Chico Borja, forward Rudy Pikuzinsky and defender Doc Lawson.

Kowalski said the purpose of the training session is to start putting the pieces of the puzzle together. He intends to cut the team down to 12 by the end of the sessions.



BRONZE MEDAL WINNERS: John Kowalski and the U.S. National Team stand proud as they surprised the world in Holland in 1988.

He invites coaches, players and their parents to come out for the team's clinic this Monday from 7:30-9 p.m. They will be able to meet the players and coaches and to take photos and ask questions.

Tuesday, a stars-and-stripes exhibi-

tion game will be played at 7 p.m. Participants in the clinic and spectators can enjoy both outstanding events for \$10. Game-night-only tickets are \$3 at the door.

For more information, call SporTrak at 741-7787.

▼ SOCCER

QV boys stay unbeaten in section

■ **SCHEDULING CHANGE:** This Saturday's game at home against Fox Chapel has been moved from an 11 a.m. start to 1 p.m. The junior-varsity game will start at 11:30 a.m.

By **FRANK TIBONI**
Staff writer

Bring on the competition.

The Quaker Valley boys soccer team breezed through its opponents last week, sinking Riverside 6-0 and blowing out Wilmington 13-0.

"We have been playing pretty well so far," said Quaker Valley boys head coach Gene Klein. "We have been particularly moving the ball very well. It was a solid win."

In the victory over Riverside on Thursday, a whole slew of Quakers found the nets in the game. QV scored twice in each of the first three quarters to seal the victory.

Sophomore midfielder Armann Fenger and junior forward Phil Oxendine tallied two apiece for Quaker Valley, while junior midfielder Seth Perkovich and junior midfielder Chris Lockerman each scored once.

Against Wilmington, the Greyhounds were silenced. Quaker Valley simply overmatched its opponents from New Castle in last Monday's contest.

Just about everyone on the QV roster scored, led by senior forward T.J. Crawford, who knocked in two



TALKING STRATEGY with senior forward Ben Green (#17) and sophomore forward Ian Rahm (#25) is QV head coach Gene Klein (center).

Photo by Chuck Curti

goals.

Klein said the best thing about the game was being able to play everyone on his roster in the contest.

Quaker Valley has completed its first time around Section IX competition going undefeated. The Quakers are currently in first place, one game

ahead of Freedom.

Klein is hoping the last four games of the season against Fox Chapel, Center, Freedom and Beaver will be competitive to prepare his team for the WPIAL playoffs.

Quaker Valley (12-1-1) travels to Ellwood City tomorrow. The match starts at 4 p.m.

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QV girls scalp Indians

The QV girls soccer team gave the West Allegheny Lady Indians a lesson in ball-handling, teamwork and hustle with an 18-0 thrashing in a match-up last week.

Co-scoring leaders for the Lady Quakers were Julie McDaniel and Liz Gaadt, who each netted hat tricks to bring their totals this year to 26 goals apiece. Angel Veza contributed two goals; Carrie Bikowski assisted three times and Anne Tirimacco assisted twice.

Thirteen players scored for the Lady Quakers, including the first varsity goals of their careers by Erin Beers and freshmen Christy Peluso and Mindy Ruprecht.

Senior Liz Neidlinger chipped in her WPIAL record-setting 47th career shut-out, plus a goal and an assist.

•Earlier in the week, a match between the Lady Quakers and Montour was deemed "suspended" when players for Montour refused to trim their fingernails up to specifications designated by the referee.

WPIAL Commissioner Chuck Heberling is expected to make a ruling whether the game has to be played or forfeited.

Quaker Valley (15-3), in first place in Section II, hosts Sewickley Academy today at 4 p.m.

▼ ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



PREPARING FOR a save is Lady Quaker goalkeeper Liz Neidlinger. Ms. Neidlinger has 11 shut-outs for the season.

Photo by George Gaadt

QV goalie is anchor

Ever attend a Quaker Valley girls soccer game and wonder if goalkeeper Liz Neidlinger gets bored in goal?

Well, that appears to be an understatement, but for good reason. The Lady Quakers have one of the best defenses in the entire WPIAL, and Ms. Neidlinger is a big part of the picture.

This past week, she broke the WPIAL record for career shut-outs with 47 after blanking West Allegheny 18-0, earning Sewickley Herald Athlete of the Week honors.

For this season, Ms. Neidlinger has posted 11 shut-outs, while coming out of the nets to

score four goals and assist her teammates eight times.

Arguably the best girls goalkeeper in the WPIAL, her quick reflexes, overall speed and quickness, and aggressiveness are her trademarks.

These traits often leave opponents shaking their heads after continuously foiling them on scoring opportunities.

Her skills have not gone unnoticed by college recruiters, either. The Neidlinger family telephone has been ringing off the hook this fall, with 25-30 NCAA Div. I, II, III and NAIA schools interested in her services.

▼ SOCCER

SA boys slip to third

By FRANK TIBONI
Staff writer

The Sewickley Academy boys soccer team controlled its own destiny going into the final quarter of the season.

But since suffering a 5-2 loss to South Fayette over the weekend, the Panthers, now in third place, have the unnerving task of sitting back and waiting for losses from South Fayette to climb back into second place, the final play-off spot.

"We're definitely not in the driver's seat anymore," admitted SA head coach Dave Kasper.

Carlynton sits in first place in Section VII, followed by South Fayette, while SA is tied

with Setton LaSalle for third.

Against South Fayette, Jason Smoke and Greg Walters each scored on penalty kicks.

Earlier in the week, SA shut-out OLSH 5-0. The Panthers opened up the scoring in the first quarter, when Smoke scored from an assist from Jason D'Antonio.

The game was 1-0 until the fourth quarter, when SA exploded for four goals. D'Antonio scored from Brad Pasenech, Tim Wengryn from Pasenech and Jonathan D'Antonio, while Walters and Pasenech scored unassisted goals.

Sewickley Academy (10-5-2 overall, 7-3-1 in Section VII) hosts Canevin tomorrow at Nichols Field at 4 p.m.

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SA girls clip Eagles

By **FRANK TIBONI**
Staff writer

The Sewickley Academy girls soccer team has not lost its spirit, even though it has been eliminated from the play-offs.

This past week, the Lady Panthers shut out South Park 6-0 and were victorious over Montour 2-1.

"We have been playing extremely well," said SA head coach Ed Walters. "The girls have been doing a real nice job."

Against South Park, SA was able to control the middle of the

field, enabling them also to control the game.

Freshman Shelley Harris netted the hat trick in the contest, while Lisa Eddy added two and Trina Lorch one.

In the Montour game, Abby Wilcox's goal in overtime carried the Lady Panthers to a 2-1 win. Jen Riordan contributed SA's other score.

Walters lauded the play of defensemen Holly Michael and Stacy Puskar in both games.

Sewickley Academy (12-6-2 overall, 6-5-1 in Section II play) will travel down Beaver Road today to take on Quaker Valley at 4 p.m.



CAPTAINS FOR the Lady Panthers this year are seniors Robin Moll and Elvira Eichleay (right).

Photo by Frank Tiboni

▼ SOCCER

QV boys capture Section IX title

By FRANK TIBONI
Staff writer

The Quaker Valley boys soccer team once again clinched the Section IX championship with a 9-1 win over Freedom this past week.

This makes its seventh section championship in the past eight years.

Earlier in the week, the Quakers shut out Center 9-0. Marred by scoring woes in its two previous games, QV regained its scoring punch, exploding for 18 goals in the two section contests.

"I think we have regained our confidence," said QV head coach Gene Klein of his team's scoring abilities after the Freedom win. "We came out strong and were able to control the game."

Seven different Quakers found the nets in the match, led by forward Phil Oxendine with a hat trick.

QV significantly improved on its showing this time around against Freedom, only defeating them 3-0 in the two team's first meeting.

Against Center, Klein said his team still seemed to be plagued in the first half by the scoring problems that affected them in their two previous games.

"We struggled in the first half," said Klein of his team's scoring punch. "But we exploded in the second half."

Oxendine scored five goals in the game, while midfielders Dan Gebhart and Seth Perkovich each had two. Goalkeeper Mike Birely recorded the shut-out, making six saves.

Quaker Valley (16-2-1) is gearing up for its 11th straight playoff appearance.

As of press time, it was not known whom or when the Quakers will be playing. It is expected they will play tomorrow. Call the high school for more information.



USING HIS head is Quaker Valley sophomore midfielder Armann Fenger (#8).

Photos by Davidson Chan

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Shorts

National team training in area

Aleppo resident and Robert Morris College head soccer coach John Kowalski is training the U.S. National Five-A-Side Indoor Soccer Team at SporTrak.

The team will be practicing today through Sunday.



Kowalski and the team surprised the world in 1989 when they won a bronze medal at the first indoor world soccer championships in Holland.

Kowalski intends to have the team down to 12 members so it can start jelling as-one unit.

Finalist

Bell Acres resident Bob Lauder placed fourth in the Pennsylvania State Junior College Tournament.

Lauder, a second-year student at CCAC-North Campus, is a graduate of Quaker Valley.

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WORKING
THE soccer ball is junior midfielder Bill Weil.

SA boys net big wins

With its back against the wall, the Sewickley Academy boys soccer team came up with two big wins against Section VII opponents this past week to keep its playoff hopes afloat.

The Panthers got by Seton LaSalle 2-1 and shut out Canevin 3-0.

"It was one of our better games of the year," said SA head coach Dave Kasper of the Seton LaSalle game. "We dominated possession of the ball the entire game."

Both of the Panthers' goals came off headers by Tony Reid in the first quarter. Reid was assisted by Jason Smoke.

Against Canevin, SA looked a little sluggish in the contest. But that might have been caused by the Crusaders' defensive

style of play.

"Canevin packed in its defense in the game," said Kasper. "Our game plan was to try to draw them out in the second half, but it was still difficult to score."

Jason D'Antonio broke the ice at 9:22 in the first quarter, when he trickled one in. He was assisted by Smoke.

D'Antonio netted his second of the game in the third quarter on a strong turning shot. Freshman Ryan Froman sealed the win with a goal with 1:15 left in the game.

Sewickley Academy (12-5-2 overall, 9-3-1 in Section VII play) now is looking for a loss from South Fayette this week to move into the final playoff spot.

▼ SOCCER

QV girls crowned Section II champions

Quaker Valley can hang another banner from the tiers of its gymnasium.

The Lady Quakers clinched the Division II section title with a 4-0 victory over backyard-rival Sewickley Academy this past week.

SA played in a defensive mode from the first kick, using up to eight players deep in the defensive zone to thwart QV's powerful offense.

In the opening minutes of the second period, Rachel Stroup converted a cross from Liz Gaadt for a 1-0 halftime lead.

In the third period, Jen Tedesco and Carrie Bikowski then netted goals, followed by freshman Sarah Beers' first varsity goal in the final quarter, to seal the 4-0 shut-out victory.

The win was QV's 13th shut-out of the year.

Earlier in the week, though, the Lady Quakers were surprisingly upset by Hopewell 4-3.

Scoring and defensive woes had QV down 3-0 going into the final quarter, but goals by Julie McDaniel, Angel Vezza and Kara Csensich tied up the match and sent it into overtime.

Because two of its players had received red cards in the game, QV was forced to play two players short in the overtime period.

The two-woman advantage for the Lady Vikings finally caught up to QV five minutes into the first overtime period, scoring off of a direct free kick.

Quaker Valley (16-4 overall, 13-1 in Section II) is awaiting to find out who its opponent will be in the playoffs.



PLAYING IN their last regular season game are seniors, from left to right: Anne Riley, Jill Moody, Liz Neidlinger, Liz Gaadt, Julie McDaniel and Ann Tirimacco.

Photo by George Gaadt

SA athlete all hands

Sewickley Academy sophomore Ganter Ludwig exemplifies the saying "having good hands."

While not punching out shots as the goalkeeper for the soccer team, Ludwig can be found making music with his cello in the Academy's string ensemble.

However, his talents do not end there. Ludwig is also an accomplished artist.

His unique mix of abilities caught the eye of ex-Pittsburgh Steeler quarterback turned sports broadcaster Mark Malone.

Ludwig was featured on WPXI's "Foodland High School Sports Show," which airs Sunday mornings and is hosted by Malone.

He had a successful season for the soccer team, accumulating 13 wins this year.

"He did an excellent job for us," said his coach, Dave Kasper. "I expect him to be one of the top keepers in the WPIAL next year."

Kasper notes his aggressiveness and athletic ability as his strengths.

Ludwig also keeps his reflexes sharp during the summer, training with the Olympic Development Team.

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▼ ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

QV player a thunderfoot

By FRANK TIBONI
Staff writer

Attend any QV girls soccer game and you can be certain you'll hear opposing fans asking, "Who's that girl with the strong leg?"

Quaker fans, though, know whom they mean. It's senior stopper/ midfielder Liz Gaadt. Ms. Gaadt displayed that strong leg this past week in the WPIAL playoffs, accumulating three goals and an assist, including an 18-yard goal against Woodland Hills.

For those accomplishments, she has been selected as the Herald's Co-Athlete of the Week.

For the season, Ms. Gaadt has netted 29 goals and 11 assists.

"She's one of the best I've had with direct kicks," said her coach, Dom Vezza. "She has a long and accurate shot with a lot of power behind it."

Ms. Gaadt, a three-year starter and letterman, has a



CONCENTRATING ON her shot is Lady Quaker senior stopper Liz Gaadt.

career-goal total of 38, with 17 assists to boot. She also was named a 1991 WPIAL All-Star.

She is interested in playing soccer in college and has been receiving attention from Division I, II, III and NAIA schools.

▼ SOCCER

QV girls advance to semifinals

The Quaker Valley girls soccer team managed a true team effort in defeating Woodland Hills and Hampton by identical 3-0 margins this past week in the WPIAL play-offs.

Liz Gaadt led the efforts with three goals and an assist. The Lady Quaker defense hardened in producing its 14th and 15th shutouts of the year, and the team seems to be peaking at just the right time in defending its WPIAL title.

Earlier in the season, QV had fallen to Hampton 4-2, but this meeting proved to be much different. Kara Csensich opened the scoring at 11:21 of the first period with a brilliant break-away at the half-way line on a feed from Kari Wheeler.

The Lady Quakers added another goal with six minutes gone in the third period, when Ms. Gaadt scored on a penalty kick. QV iced the win when she netted her second of the game off a rebound from her own indirect kick.

"We're in full stride right now," said QV head coach Dom Vezza. "We're playing more as



EYEING UP the soccer ball is senior midfielder Angel Vezza.

Photo by George Gaadt

a team now than earlier in the season."

Against Woodland Hills, QV opened the scoring at 13:13 in the first period as Anne Tirimacco reached Julie

McDaniel angling through the Lady Wolverine defense to blast the ball past the keeper.

Woodland Hills kept QV at bay until late in the third period when Ms. Gaadt, on a pass from Ms. Wheeler, uncorked a shot from the 18 that skipped off a defender and handcuffed the keeper.

The Lady Quakers' final score was when Christy Peluso took a feed from Ms. Gaadt with 2:47 in the final quarter.

The victory was more than scoring, as defenders Tina Jordan, Kathy Seymour and Ms. Tirimacco kept Woodland Hills at bay with their swift ball-hawking moves and back passes to QV keeper Liz Neidlinger. Angel Vezza's, Jen Tedesco's and Rachel Stroup's fine midfield play helped thwart the Lady Wolverine's offense, while Ms. McDaniel, Ms. Csensich and Beth Bogdewic provided the offensive pressure.

QV (18-4 overall) was to play North Allegheny yesterday (Tuesday). Because the Herald has a Monday deadline, results will appear next week.

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Pete Schlicht had less to smile about than See Laughlin following last week's 16th District race. For the breakdown, see page A9.

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CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON: QV junior forward Phil Oxendine shows the kind of winning form that brought the WPIAL AA championship trophy back to the valley for another year. The Quakers defeated East Allegheny 4-0 to capture the title on Saturday. For more, see page B1.

Photo by Frank Tiboni

▼ BELL ACRES

Water project on hold

By FRANK TIBONI
Staff writer

Residents in Bell Acres thirsting for water will have to be patient for four more months.

At its meeting Monday night, Bell Acres Council addressed a letter from PENNVEST (Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority) explaining to the borough its project to install 37,000 feet of waterline and 28 fire hydrants has been deferred.

In the letter, David A. Plank, chief of the technical services section for PENNVEST, stated three reasons why the Bell Acres project was deferred.

He cited the Edgeworth Borough Municipal Authority's failure to submit a water-allocation permit and service agreement, as well as Bell Acres Borough's failure to provide information on its residents' public participation in the project.

Under the water-allocation permit, the letter said the

QV: WPIAL AA CHAMPIONS

Quakers defeat East Allegheny 6-0 for back-to-back soccer titles

By FRANK TIBONI
Staff writer

Back-to-back champions. For at least one more year, the WPIAL AA boys soccer championship trophy will remain in the case at Quaker Valley High School.

QV, displaying some of its best soccer of the season, blew out the Wildcats of East Allegheny 6-0 this past weekend at Fox Chapel to win its second-straight WPIAL AA title.

"It was the two best games we've played all year," said QV head coach Gene Klein, referring to the EA and South Park wins. "We were unsure of ourselves after the Deer Lakes game, but we set the tone in practice and now we're confident."

Against the Wildcats, the Quakers found themselves tied 0-0 after one quarter. EA was playing a tight game, shadowing QV star forward Phil Oxendine all over the field.

In the second quarter, the Quakers started knocking on the door, just missing a couple of golden scoring opportunities. But fans knew it would only be a matter of time until the ball found its way into the nets for the Quakers.

And that is just what happened.

At 9:00 of the second quarter, Joe Christof knocked one in from an assist from Seth Perkovich to give QV a 1-0 lead.

A minute later, Oxendine was able to get away from his marker to score and make it 2-0. Keeper Mike Birely came up with some big saves near the end of the quarter to preserve the 2-0 lead at halftime.

And then the floodgates opened.

Just over a minute into the third quarter, Keith Kelly, from an assist from Christof, headed one in to make it 3-0. Three minutes later, Oxendine, from Armann Fenger, scored his se-



MOVING THE ball up the field of play is QV senior midfielder Dan Gebhart (#14, left).

Photos by Frank Tiboni

cond of the game to make it a 4-0.

Perkovich added another one late in the quarter to give the Quakers a safe 5-0 lead going into the final quarter. And in the fourth quarter, Fenger found the nets at 2:23 to put the icing on the cake and seal the 6-0 victory and the WPIAL AA championship for QV.

Just one of the happy faces after the game was Birely.

"It feels real great to be back-to-back champions," he said grinning.

To make it to the finals, Quaker

Valley shut out South Park 3-0. Oxendine had two goals in the match, while Fenger added the other.

Since successfully defending its WPIAL AA championships, QV now ponders repeating as PIAA state champs.

The Quakers (19-2-1) faced Conemaugh Township yesterday at 6 p.m. at South Stadium. Because the Herald goes to press on Monday, results were not available at presstime.

If QV wins, the team is expected to play this Saturday. Call the high school for more information.

QV: WPIAL GIRL SOCCER CHAMPIONS

Liz Gaadt's goal with 2:37 left catapults QV over Lebo 2-1 for its second straight title

Thoughts of the 1991 WPIAL girls championship game arose for QV fans as Liz Gaadt stood over the ball for a direct kick with 2:37 left in the game as Mt. Lebanon set up its defensive wall.

Ms. Gaadt let go one of her low-trajectory shots into the upper-left corner, netting the ball before Lady Blue Devils goalkeeper Steph Jardine could even move.

Deja vu for the Lady Quakers and Ms. Gaadt as they defeated Mt. Lebanon 2-1 for the WPIAL girls soccer title for the second straight year.

"It's a wonderful feeling," said Ms. Gaadt after the game. "It was just like last year."

Last year, the Lady Quakers defeated Lebo 1-0 as Ms. Gaadt scored on a similar type of shot.

"She's tough on those free kicks," said her coach Dom Vezza. "She scores 90 percent of her goals that way."

Winning the title this year for the Lady Quakers, however, was not without its up and downs.

"We had some problems earlier in the year," said Vezza. "But we started pulling together as a team in the middle of the year."

Vezza said he looked to the seniors for leadership and that was just what they provided.

In the title game, things got off to a

rocky start for QV. Lebo took the opening kick-off right down the field and scored on Quaker Valley 14 seconds into the game.

QV responded with an aggressive game that saw the entire team register a determined effort all over the field.

The to and fro on the soft and slippery Fox Chapel field resulted in QV control of the sides with its solid footing.

The score remained notted 1-1 through the third and most of the fourth period until Ms. Gaadt netted the winning goal in the waning minutes of the game.

To get to the finals, QV defeated North Allegheny 1-0 in a shoot-out.

The game featured two, 10-minute overtimes and two, five-minute sudden death periods before the shoot-out to determine the winner.

Ms. McDaniel came up with the game-winning goal for QV in the game.

Quaker Valley (20-4) advanced to the PIAA state tournament and played Carrick yesterday at 4 p.m. at South Stadium. Since the Herald's deadline is Monday, we were unable to cover the game for this edition.

If the Lady Quakers defeat Carrick, it is expected they will play this Saturday. Call the high school for more information.

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▼ TIBONI TALKS



*By Frank Tiboni
Staff Writer*

QV boys and girls learn about themselves

Now that both the Quaker Valley boys and girls soccer teams have come off cloud nine after their WPIAL championships, it's time to kick back and reflect on what the two teams have netted.

For starters, Quaker Valley High School will be remembered forever in the record books as the first school to ever produce a double-double.

What's a double-double, you ask? It's back-to-back WPIAL titles. The QV girls defeated Mt. Lebanon 2-1 and 1-0; the QV boys defeated South Park 4-0 and East Allegheny 6-0 the past two years to carry that logo,

STATE RUNNERS-UP

Holy Ghost spooks QV 1-0, takes PIAA title

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Losing is a part of the game, life

Nobody likes to lose, but the way sports was designed, there always will be a winner and a loser.

High-school athletes need to learn now how to handle the highs of winning and the lows of losing.

After attending the PIAA boys state soccer championship this past weekend in Shippensburg, it's obvious that Quaker Valley boys soccer coach Gene Klein has taught his student/athletes how to do both.

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AWARDS



Liz Gaadt



Ann Tirimacco



Angel Veza



Tina Jordan



Liz Neidlinger

Quaker Valley athletes named to all-star teams

By FRANK TIBONI
Staff writer

Four Quaker Valley girl soccer players were selected to the Section II All-Star team and to the Coaches "Finest 44" squad. Another Lady Quaker was chosen to the Section II Honorable Mention squad.

Seniors Liz Gaadt, Liz Neidlinger, Ann Tirimacco and Angel Veza were named to both teams, while junior Tina Jordan received an honorable mention.

Ms. Gaadt, a stopper, was the leading vote-getter in both the section and coaches' balloting.

This past season, she was the Lady

Quakers' and the WPIAL's North leading scorer with 34 goals and 10 assists. For her career, Ms. Gaadt finished as QV's third leading goal-getter with 66.

"She has a very strong shot," said her coach, Dom Veza. "She can place the ball well, which makes it tough for the keepers."

Ms. Neidlinger, a goalkeeper, established new single-season and career shut-out records for goalies for both QV and the WPIAL. She recorded a career total of 53 shut-outs while adding 27 goals and 36 assists.

"She had a good year," said Veza.

"She had a shaky start, but came on strong in the playoffs for us."

Ms. Tirimacco, a defender, netted five goals and 17 assists this season. For her career, she had 28 goals and 30 assists.

"She was the general of our defense," said Veza. "She made the move to fullback to help shore up our defense, which displayed her versatility."

Ms. Veza, a midfielder, scored 15 goals and 10 assists this year. She completed her career at Quaker Valley with 31 goals and 28 assists.

"She was our muscle in the middle,"

said Veza. "She was our spark plug, getting everything started for us."

Ms. Jordan, a sweeper, registered five goals and 11 assists this past season. For her career, she has a total of eight goals and 14 assists.

"She was a solid player for us this year," said Veza. "She is a very deceiving and patient player."

The Lady Quakers completed the season with a 20-5 overall record, good enough to be Section II and WPIAL champions.

In the first PIAA state girls-soccer championship, QV finished as semi-finalists.

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▼ RECOGNITION

SA girls make honorable mention

Four players on the Sewickley Academy girls soccer team have been named to the Section II All-Section Honorable Mention Squad.

They are senior midfielder Elvira Eichleay, senior goalkeeper Robin Moll, junior forward Jen Riordan and junior defender Holly Michael.

The Lady Panthers posted a 13-6-2 overall

record this fall, increasing by five their total number of wins from last season.

"The girls just did an outstanding job this year," said Ed Walters, SA girls soccer head coach.

This was only the fourth season Sewickley Academy has had a girls' soccer team.

▼ SPOTLIGHT

SA player 'Finest 44' awardee

Lady Panther sophomore forward Abby Wilcox was named to both the "Finest 44" and Section II all-star girls soccer teams.

Ms. Wilcox finished the season with 18 goals and 14 assists. For her short career at SA, she has netted 28 goals while adding 26 assists.

"She's just a tremendous talent," said Ed Walters, SA girls soccer coach. "She's the type of player who makes the people around her play better."

Ms. Wilcox said it felt pretty good to win the award, but admitted her surprise at being chosen.

While thanking her teammates for their support this year, she also lauded her coach, Ed Walters, remarking, "He is just a great coach."



Abby Wilcox

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ALL STARS

Academy athletes selected to all-section squad

By FRANK TIBONI
Staff writer

Three members of the Sewickley Academy boys soccer team have been named to the Section VII All-Section Team.

They are senior midfielder Greg Walters, senior forward Jason D'Antonio and sophomore goalkeeper Ganter Ludwig.

"Greg had a stellar season," said Dave Kasper, Sewickley Academy boys soccer coach. "He came through for us with quite a few assists this year."

Walters had five goals and 15 assists on the year. Kasper said he is interested in playing soccer in college, saying he would make a splendid college player.

D'Antonio was the leading scorer for Sewickley Academy

this season, netting 20 goals while adding five assists.

"We looked to him to finish for us this year, and he did just that all season," Kasper explained.

Ludwig was in the nets for all of Sewickley Academy's 13 wins this season.

"I have big hopes for him," said Kasper. "I expect him to be one of the top goalkeepers in the WPIAL the next two years."

He named strengths as his athletic ability and his knack to read the game.

Sewickley Academy completed the season with a 13-5-2 overall record, 10-3-1 in section competition.

The team missed qualifying for the WPIAL playoffs by one game, coming in third place in Section VII.



Greg Walters



Ganter Ludwig



Jason D'Antonio

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Shorts



HOLDING THE WPIAL AA championship trophy is QV boys soccer coach Gene Klein. Klein was voted Coach of the Year in Section IX-AA.

Photo by Frank Tiboni

Quaker team earns honors

QV goalkeeper Mike Birely, defensemen Kevin Kress and Keith Kelley, forward Phil Oxendine and midfielder Seth Perkoyich were chosen to the Section IX-AA "Finest 15" soccer team.

Midfielder Dan Gebhart made the honorable-mention squad.

This was the second straight year that Oxendine and Kress were named to the team. Oxendine was selected MVP and QV coach Gene Klein was named Coach of the Year.

QV finished with a 23-3-1 overall record, capturing the Section IX and WPIAL crowns. The Quakers were runners-up in the PIAA championship.

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National honors for Liz Gaadt

Lady Quaker Liz Gaadt has been named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-American Team.

Ms. Gaadt, a senior midfielder, was one of three girls from Pennsylvania to be selected to the team, and only one of 68 nationwide. She also was chosen to Pennsylvania State Coaches All-State High School Team.

"I was so surprised when I was told I was selected," said a happy Ms. Gaadt. She netted 33 goals while adding 11 assists to help lead QV to its second straight WPIAL championship this past fall.

For her career, she knocked in 66 goals.

"This is not only an honor for Liz, but for the school, the program and her teammates," emphasized QV head coach Dom Vezza. "She was a strong player this past season. She got the job done when it was needed."



USING HER head is All-State, All-American Liz Gaadt.

This marks the first time a QV girl has been chosen to the team, as well as the school's first All-American in any girls sport.

Quakers chosen all-state

Two Quaker Valley boy soccer players were selected to the all-state team.

Senior defenseman Kevin Kress and junior forward Phil Oxendine were named to the team as well as being chosen to the National Soccer Coaches Association Regional All-East Team.

Kress was one of 14 defenders named. He scored 17 goals this past season for QV.

Oxendine was one of 22 forwards recognized. He was only one of five underclassmen forwards picked to the team.

He led the Quakers in scoring with 39 goals.