

## Split decision leaves Jills hockey 9-2

By Dave Oda

The Oakwood Field Hockey team took to the road for a soggy pair of non-conference games Saturday in Columbus. After being rained out at MND on Thursday, the Jills had not played for 10 days and looked a bit rusty. They started the day at Olentangy where neither team looked good early on a slow field in the drizzle. With the scored tied 1-1, the Jills adjusted and began to show

their dominance. Peanut Johnson scored her second goal of the game and away they went onto a final winning score of 4-1. The second game against Columbus Academy was quite different. Not only was the rain harder but this was probably the best defensive team Oakwood had played all year. As a result, the Jill offense could not get on track and was mostly stopped at the CA 25 yard line for the majority of the

game. CA appeared to be quicker to the ball all game. With momentum (and whistles) going their way, CA made the most of their scoring opportunities to win 4-0. This leaves the Jills with a season record of nine wins and two losses. They are tied for first in the Southwest Ohio Region with a 4-1 record. The Jills remain road warriors as they travel to Talawanda on Tuesday and Lancaster on Saturday. Go Jills!!

## Jr. Jills hockey 7-2-1 on season

After a couple of early season losses, the Oakwood Junior High Field Hockey team has come on strong. Opening the season at rival Kettering's Van Buren Middle School with a 1-0 win, the Jr. Jills were beaten at their own Oakwood Play-Day by visiting Columbus powers, Dublin (5-0) and St. Andrew (3-0). Returning to league play the following week, Oakwood regrouped with key wins at Summit Country Day (2-0), and at Kettering Middle School (2-0). Saturday, Sept. 19,

saw the Jills make their first of three road-trips to Columbus. In morning action, Oakwood defeated the Olentangy Silverhawks, 2-0. That afternoon, the Jr. Jills traveled from Olentangy to New Albany where they won a pitched battle with Granville, 1-0.

On Sept. 22, Oakwood was back at home against Van Buren. After a scoreless first half, the Jr. Jills put three off the boards in the second half for a 3-0 win. This past Saturday the Jr. Jills returned to Columbus to play

Dublin on their home field. In what the Referee described after the game as "one of the best middle school games I've ever seen," the Jr. Jills came together as a team and held the stronger Shamrocks to a scoreless 0-0 tie, redeeming the early season drubbing. The Jr. Jills finished the trip with a hard-fought 1-0 victory over the Olentangy Suns. Oakwood is led by team co-captains, eighth graders Andra Bane and Naomi Tellez. The Jills are 7-2-1, with four games remaining on their schedule.

## Cross country finishes 3rd at Troy Invitational

By H.W. Sizak

Saturday the Oakwood Cross Country Team ran the five kilometer course along the Great Miami River in the 40th Annual Troy Cross Country Invitational. In the damp conditions, both the girls and boys finished third in the team scoring.

The Jills were led by Erin Taylor who finished fifth overall. Katherine Anderson and Elizabeth Connelly were tenth and eleventh respectively. Ericha Griep sped across the finish line in twenty-first. Autumn Bruno closed the scoring for the Jills in fortieth. Other finishers for the Jills were Molly Jackson, Kelsey McDonald, M.E. Labrie and Gretchen Hochwalt.

The boys were led again by Josh Moulton who was eleventh in the overall scoring. Keith Mueller was close behind in fourteenth. Andy Lamb and Troy Gould were eighteenth and twentieth respectively. Rounding out the top five for the Jacks was Liam Jackson in twenty-first.

Other Oakwood finishers in the top 50 for the boy's team were Andrew Redden (23rd), Ethan Kissock (24th), Philip Sizak (31st), Herbert Sizak (35th), Will Reese (38th), Casey Linsmeier (41st), Caden Ohwiler (43rd), Ben Gallatin (48th), and Peter McMillan (50th). The remaining finishers for the boys were Alec Snead, Steven Hix, Hank Beyer, Eli Collinson, Jack Randall, Court

Wille, George Hochwalt, Caleb Kell and Evan Duffley.

Both the junior high girls and boys were fourth in the team scoring. The boys were paced by Eric Krebs who crossed the line in seventh. Pepper Grant and Tommy Lane crossed seventeenth and eighteenth respectively. Frank Clemens (27th) and Brad Malone (39th) claimed the last two scoring position for the junior high Jacks.

Noelle Kipp led the girls by crossing the line ninth. Molly Farash (25th) and Brianna Cummings (26th) finished exactly one second apart. Caroline Filbrun (30th) and Mimi Connelly (42nd) closed the scoring for the junior high Jills.

## Volleyball team hitting hard with 12-3 record

The fourth week of the season was a busy one for the Oakwood Volleyball team which played six matches in six days. They defeated SWBL rivals Valley View, Eaton and Milton Union to bring their record to 11-1 and 6-1 in the SWBL Conference. This puts them in second place behind Brookville. On Saturday they travelled to Piqua for tournament play, winning one match and losing two to bring their

season record to 12-3.

Karin Mueller leads the team with 58 aces surpassing the previous Oakwood season record of 49. Mueller also leads the team in digs with 201 followed by Breanna Hutten with 69. Mueller also leads in kills with 87 followed closely by Brooke Trauthwein with 86. Kaila Ryan leads the team in blocks with 38 followed by Trauthwein with 36. Heather Saunier leads in assists

with 331.

The team attributes this year's success to a lot of hard work and dedication beginning with conditioning in June and continuing with hours of practice. Many of the team members play Club volleyball from December to June. The next game is Tuesday, Sept. 29 at rival Bellbrook, a critical game in the SWBL championship race. Come on out and support your Oakwood team.

## UD volleyball team to hold 3 to 13-year-old clinic

The University of Dayton Volleyball Program will be hosting a clinic for girls and boys from the ages of 3 years old to

13 years old (or up to 8th grade). The UD volleyball team will be coaching the clinic for all ages and all skill levels. There will be

three clinics on Oct. 3, Oct. 17, and Nov. 14. Join our players to learn more about the sport of volleyball.

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