

Role reversals emerge in 1995 girls' volleyball

By Mike Latona
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The defending league champion was still looking for its first win last week, and a team that went 4-16 last year was undefeated.

With girls' volleyball teams in the Private-Parochial League already in such uncertain states, picking a first-place finisher this fall could prove a tough chore.

Bishop Kearney has blitzed to a 4-0 start, prevailing in matches last week over Le Roy, Nazareth Academy (by scores of 13-15, 15-6, 16-14 and 16-14), Wilson Magnet and East.

Nazareth (2-3) picked up its first triumph by sweeping Aquinas, 15-8, 15-7, 15-6, Sept. 14. The Lasers also defeated Edison Tech last week.

At week's end, Mercy (0-2) and AQ (0-3) were still winless. Mercy captured the Private-Parochial crown last year and also reached the Section 5 Class BB finals.

Meanwhile, in boys' volleyball, McQuaid Jesuit has started 2-4 after winning the City-Catholic League title last year. In their lone win last week, the Knights hung on for a 15-12, 15-8, 11-15, 13-15, 15-11 victory over Midlakes Sept. 15.

Bishop Kearney

Coach: Paul Coppini
1994 record: 4-16

1995 players: Seniors — Melissa Valbergs, Crystal Bishop, Laurie Schuler; juniors — Alisha Bryant, Nora Haldeman, Autumn Mills, Marilyn Gonzalez, Kelsey Shores, Heather LaGret; sophomore — Becca DeMatteis.

Coach's comments: "I don't really have different personnel, but I know they wanted to prove last year was a fluke. They've already tied their (1994) win total."

Nazareth Academy

Coach: Mike Harnden
1994 record: 7-14

1995 players: Seniors — Janell Fracassi,



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Bishop Kearney's Alisha Bryant executes a block during a Private-Parochial League match against host Nazareth Academy Sept. 12. The Kings defeated the Lasers 13-15, 15-6, 16-14 and 16-14.

Starr Matthews, Jessica Benthin, Deidre Britton; juniors — Olivia Bradley, Kim Protchenko, Brianna Merkel, Amy Posser; sophomores — Holli Camelio, Katie Barnum, Tracy Merkel.

Coach's comments: "If we play anywhere near our capability, there shouldn't be a team we can't beat."

Our Lady of Mercy

Coach: Nancy Wunder
1994 record: 16-7

1995 players: Seniors — Jennie Carreo, Katie Kurycki; juniors — Katy Ackerman, Stephanie Gallo; sophomores — Sarah Egerton, Leslie Dianetti, Monica Bintz, Courtney Butera, Robin Burney; freshman — Karen Kurycki.

Coach's comments: "I've got a real, real young team. They have the talent, but it's going to come about mid-season."

Aquinas Institute

Coach: Laurie Tooley
1994 record: 12-6

1995 players: Seniors — Adrienne Dandrea, Kelly Skutt; juniors — Briann Zona, Erin Gosnell, Melissa Klein, April Wrazen, Lynn Renica, Colleen Mulvaney, Katherine Behan, Rachel Eveland; sophomore — Meg Reynders.

Coach's comments: "We need to work on our serving. But we can play with other teams; there's a lot of natural athletic talent."

McQuaid Jesuit

Coach: Ed Waller
1994 record: 18-4

1995 players: Seniors — Brian Chamberlain, Tyler Neer, Brooks Parker, James Newlove, Chris Della Porta; juniors — Mike Dundas, Kevin O'Dell, John Dossie, Ronson Madathil, Jeff Maier, Chris Madler, Paul Waldron, Brett Wolfe; sophomores — John O'Dell, Dave Strauss.

Coach's comments: "These kids are just starting to play together well. I think we'll be OK come sectional time."

Aquinas boys, girls bring home tournament soccer victories

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There's no place like home — but life hasn't been so bad on the road, either, for Aquinas Institute's soccer programs.

AQ's boys and girls did a double-dip last weekend, emerging triumphant from the Clarence Tournament in Buffalo. The AQ boys won 6-0 over Buffalo Nichols Sept. 15 and 1-0 over Cathedral Prep of Erie, Pa., in the Sept. 16 finals. Meanwhile, the Little Irish girls prevailed 4-0 over Nichols Sept. 15 and 2-1 over Clarence the following day.

Shane Kavanagh was the offensive hero for the undefeated (4-0) Aquinas boys, scoring twice against Nichols and getting the game's only goal against Cathedral Prep. The girls' squad (5-1) re-

ceived goals from four different players against Nichols, and Erin Nowak delivered the winning goal against Clarence.

More sports highlights

Our Lady of Mercy (4-0) handed AQ its only girls' soccer loss to date, scoring a 2-0 win Sept. 12 as Abby Wambach netted both goals.

Bishop Kearney girls' soccer (3-0) stayed unbeaten with a 2-1 road win over Nazareth Academy Sept. 13. Amalia Ferruzza scored the winning goal.

Nazareth (2-4) was a 4-0 winner over visiting Eastridge Sept. 15, with Tara Lodato registering a goal and an assist.

In boys' soccer, McQuaid Jesuit (4-0) won 2-0 over host Victor Sept. 16 behind goalie Ken Perrelli's nine-save effort.

Kearney picked up its first boys' soccer

win, 3-0 over host Honeoye, Sept. 14. Jason Rene, Chad Mayer and Kevin Gibbs scored for the Kings (1-3).

In football, Elmira Notre Dame (3-0) remained on a roll with a 41-20 win at Corning West Sept. 15. Ian Lampman carried 22 times for 185 yards, and Chris Madigan completed 13 of 19 passes for 153 yards.

BK football (2-1) won 14-8 at home over Victor Sept. 15. Kevin Goode returned a third-quarter interception 94 yards for a touchdown to break an 8-8 tie.

McQuaid football (2-1) enjoyed a big day Sept. 16, winning 21-6 over Franklin at the University of Rochester. Kevin Sheppard ran for two second-half TDs as the Knights increased a 7-6 halftime lead.

In girls' tennis, Mercy (3-0) started its season with victories over Victor,

Aquinas and Harley-Allendale Columbia last week. Meanwhile, BK enjoyed wins over Nazareth and Aquinas while Nazareth defeated Edison Tech.

In cross-country, McQuaid won the Liverpool Invitational Sept. 9. The Knights' Jeff Clark placed first in individual competition that day as well.

Also finishing at the head of the pack was Nazareth's Karen Scozzafava, who won the Spencerport Invitational's small-schools division Sept. 16 and was named the meet's outstanding runner.

Finally, in girls' swimming, Mercy's 200-yard freestyle relay set a pool record of 1 minute, 50.79 seconds in a 96-74 win over host Eastridge Sept. 14. Relay members included Michelle Moosbrugger, Cassie Ingersoll, Jennifer Moffett and Laura Belgiorno.



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