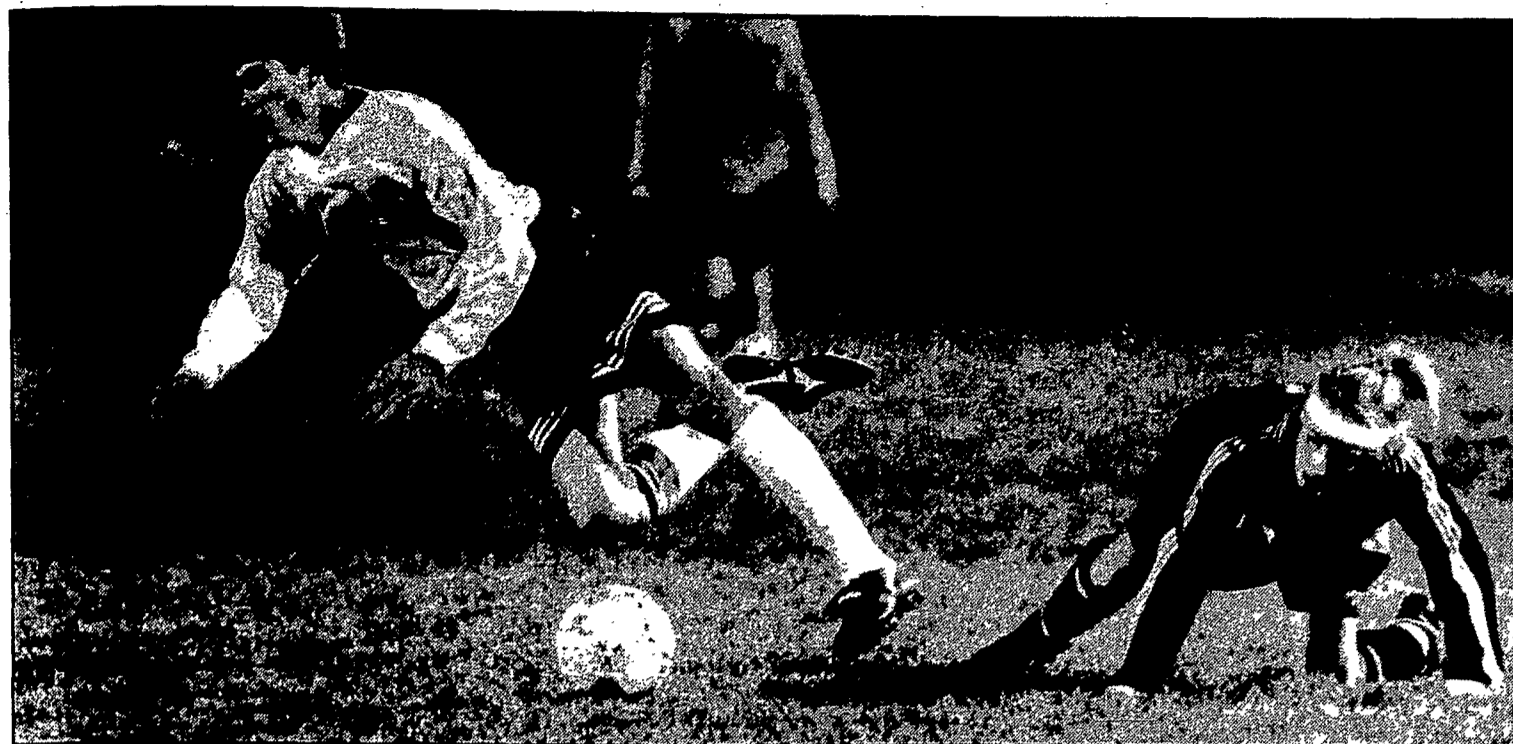


SPORTS



McQuaid Jesuit's Trevor O'Reilly (left) gets tripped up by Noah Sheedy of Honeoye Falls-Lima during an Oct. 7 home game. The Knights tied the Cougars 1-1.

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Late comeback lifts McQuaid into 19-19 tie

McQuaid Jesuit's football team did more than simply salvage a tie.

The Knights may also have saved their season.

After completing three quarters in its home contest against unbeaten Edison Tech last Friday, Oct. 6, McQ trailed 19-0 and was seemingly headed for its third consecutive loss.

Instead, the Knights staged a furious, improbable rally to end up in a 19-19 deadlock with the Inventors.

"There are good ties and bad ties. That was classified as a good tie," remarked McQuaid Coach Tom Sprague.

Kyle Tedeschi began the McQuaid comeback with a one-yard touch-down run to make the score 19-6. Abe Kingsley then threw to Brian Berko-Boateng on a 44-yard TD pass play, and the resulting extra-point kick made it 19-13 with just over five minutes to play.

An 83-yard drive in the final minutes enabled McQ to tie the game. Kingsley completed an eighty-yard pass play to Craig Fiduccia on fourth down to the Edison 2-yard line, and Tedeschi scored on the next play with 25 seconds remaining. Only a blocked extra-point kick attempt kept the Knights from snatching away a victory.

McQ, with a 2-3-1 record, now needs to win at Fairport (5-1) this coming Saturday, Oct. 14, to have a solid chance at making the eight-team Section 5 Class A playoff field.

More football results

Elmira Notre Dame (6-0) took a 40-0 halftime lead and coasted to a 46-0 win over visiting Thomas Edison Oct. 6. The Crusaders were led by Ian Lampman, who gained 135 yards in just four carries, and Tug Ollock, who rushed six times for 100 yards.

Bishop Kearney, Aquinas Institute and Geneva DeSales were all defeated in Oct. 7 games. BK (2-4) lost 34-14 at East Rochester; Aquinas (0-6) was downed 14-8 at home by Webster; and DeSales (1-5) fell by a 35-6 count to visiting Dundee.

-Mike Latona

Soccer powers to pair up Saturday

Although it's a first-time event, the schools involved know all about tradition.

Winning tradition, that is.

A special soccer doubleheader will take place this Saturday, Oct. 14, when for the first time ever, a McQuaid Jesuit athletic event is being staged in conjunction with an Our Lady of Mercy contest. The games will be held at McQuaid, 1800 Clinton Ave. S.

Festivities will begin with a 5 p.m. game between Mercy and Holy Angels of Section 6, to be immediately followed by the McQuaid vs. Elmira Free Academy (Section 4) contest. To end the evening, a bonfire and pep rally will be staged for those already in attendance. Game tickets may be purchased at the gate.

Speaking of fires, both McQuaid and Mercy are enjoying typically hot seasons. The Knights entered this week's action with a 9-2-2 record and a first-place standing in the City-Catholic League, while the Monarchs were 12-1 and held the top spot in the Private-Parochial League.

McQuaid battled Honeoye Falls-Lima to a 1-1 deadlock in an Oct. 7 home game. Tali Burton scored a first-half goal for the Knights, who were playing their third contest in as many days but still managed to tie a Cougar squad that entered the game with a 12-1 record.

"We're pretty banged up. Fortunately, we've got a lot of depth this year and that's what's carrying us right now," McQ Coach Dan Schied commented.



The Knight's Tali Burton (12) and HF-L's Dan Tobin go for the ball.

Meanwhile, Mercy suffered its first defeat in a 3-1 decision at Greece Athena Oct. 7.

Despite the loss to the unbeaten Trojans (13-0), Coach Kathy Boughton was pleased at her club's effort against an Athena club that had pounded the Monarchs, 6-1, in last year's Section 5 Class A semifinals.

"I felt good about it. It wasn't like we got wiped (out)," she said.

Two days prior to the Athena game, Mercy edged league rival Aquinas Institute, 1-0, as Abby Wambach scored a first-half goal for the host Monarchs and goalie Joanne Hanna made 18 saves for the shutout.

More sports highlights

The Aquinas Institute boys (10-2)

notched their 10th soccer win with a 4-0 decision over Wilson Magnet Oct. 5, and AQ's girls (9-4) bounced back from the Mercy loss by winning 3-0 over Spencerport Oct. 7.

Bishop Kearney's soccer squads earned weekend victories: the boys (4-9) won 2-0 over Gananda Oct. 6 behind goals from Joel Zaleski and Jaeson Rene; and the girls (8-3-1) blanked host Eastridge 3-0 Oct. 7 as Sandy Moll, Nikki Bermudez and Mary Finucane scored.

Nazareth Academy's girls (7-5-1) claimed a 3-1 home victory over Lima Christian Oct. 6 behind two goals from Katie Poinan.

In cross-country, Nazareth's Karen Scozzafava won the girls' division of the Oct. 6 Irondequoit-Penfield Invitational. One day later, McQuaid won the Stock-Conwicke Invitational in Binghamton as the Knights' Jeff Clark and Steve Shaw placed third and sixth, respectively.

In girls' volleyball, Nazareth (8-6) dealt Kearney (10-3) a 15-12, 15-11, 13-15, 15-13 defeat Oct. 3. Another Private-Parochial clash saw Mercy (5-5) sweep Aquinas (1-11), 15-4, 15-7, 15-2, in an Oct. 5 match.

Mercy girls' tennis (7-2) earned a pair of 3-2 wins, defeating Fairport Oct. 4 and Harley-Allendale Columbia Oct. 5.

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