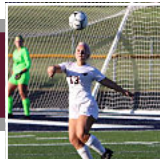


GIRLS SOCCER



Sabrina Bleile



Chiara Blythe



Madi Cranston



Tori Hoagland



Isabelle Krapfl

DO YOU HAVE ANY PRE-GAME RITUALS??

"For breakdown on the field before kickoff, I would always use my left hand palm up like in cheer cause I thought it gave good luck."

— Isabelle Krapfl '21



"Usually we take a game day picture on Avery's phone and then we all have our handshakes that everyone does before the game."

— Anna Hoffman '22



"Before every game I listened to my game day playlist to get pumped up and get ready for the game."

— Sabrina Bleile '21



Fending off the Opposition

Above: Keeping control of the ball, junior Anna Hoffman out runs the other team's defender May 21. The Mustangs lost 1-0. **Above Right:** Blocking the other team from getting the ball, junior Kenzie Rentschler dabbles it up the field at the home game May 21.



Right Going for a goal, senior Emma Rodman kicks the ball with force May 10. The Mustangs won 8-1 against Cedar Valley Christian.



Below: Taking the ball from the opponent, senior Sydney Shultz out runs the City High forward May 21. Photos by Lillie Hawker.



WAMAC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

Girls Soccer Team wins conference title

By Lillie Hawker

After COVID-19 canceled their season the year before, the Mount Vernon girls soccer team showed that no amount of time off could dampen their fire to win. That fire was evident going into the WaMaC East Conference Championship game. The team used that fire to win 6-0 against Marion and be named Conference Champions.

"It feels great being WaMaC champs," senior player Emma Rodman said, "It has been one of our goals since freshman year." Rodman said that the closeness of the team and the team atmosphere helped contribute to the win. "The team atmosphere was always positive and everyone on the team pushed everyone to be their absolute best," Rodman said, "We all lifted each other up."

Senior Sydney Shultz agreed with Rodman that the team atmosphere really helped the team

achieve their goals. "Everyone was always excited to go to practice and that made every aspect of the game enjoyable," Shultz said.

Shultz also said that the positive energy the team shared pushed the team to success. "Without our positive energy I don't believe we would have performed the way we did," Shultz said, "Positive energy changes the game of soccer from a game of running to a game that you play with family."



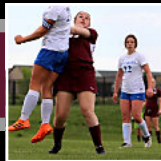
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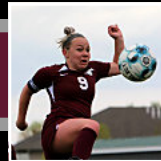
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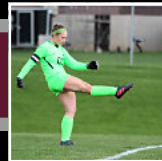
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Bethany Richardson



Emma Rodman



Paige Roos



Sydney Shultz



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Can't Stop the Mustangs

Blocking defenders from getting to it, junior Maia Bentley maintains control of the ball as the other team tries to stop her at the home game against Iowa City High May 21. Mount Vernon lost to City High 1-0. Photo by Lillie Hawker.

The Mustangs walk off the field happy about their substate semi-final win June 2. Photo by Anna Moore.



SCORE CARD

TEAM	US	THEM
Center Point-Urbana	4	0
Beckman Catholic	6	1
Independence	10	0
Maquoketa	10	0
Vinton Shellsburg	7	0
Williamsburg	7	0
West Delaware	10	0
Solon	3	0
South Tama	10	0
Clear Creek-Amana	2	3
Benton	9	0
Marion	6	0
Marion	8	2
Xavier	1	4



Above Right: Striding to reach the ball, senior Sabrina Bleile takes it from Marion players June 2. The Mustangs won against Marion 8-2. Photo by Anna Moore.

Above: Weaving past defenders, junior Avery Plathe dribbles the ball towards the goal at the Substate Final game June 4. The Mustangs lost to Xavier 4-1. Photo by Lillie Hawker.

Left: Preparing to kick the ball, junior Anna Hoffman gets ready to send it up the field to her teammates June 4.



GIRLS SOCCER. Front Row: Sydney Shultz, Isabelle Krapfl, Emma Rodman, Paige Roos, Chiara Blythe, Sabrina Bleile, Ariana Moore. **Row 2:** Kia McNeal, Clair Zmolek, Madison Cranston, Bethany Richardson, Victoria Hoagland, Claire Gaffney, Kassidy Mudd. **Row 3:** Riley Boots, Ava Dimmer, Kennedy Moore, Delaney Lawrence, Avery Plathe, Molly Snedden, McKenzie Rentschler, Piper Price. **Back Row:** Coach Jenna Hindman, Maia Bentley, Kambree Hultquist, Tori Oelrich, Renae Woods, Anna Hoffman, Elizabeth Barns, Coach Layne Pullen. Missing: Lillie Hawker.

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