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HK Dairy Barn Changes Hands



Photo by Kathy Brown.

By Kathy Brown

HK Dairy Barn opened for the 2022 season on April 20, under new ownership. Ling Lin purchased the business from Ryan and Paige Blaschke. The Blaschkes owned the business since opening it in 2015.

Ling is no stranger to the food business; she has owned Moonlight restaurant in Middletown since 2014. The popular restaurant has sushi, bento boxes for lunch and dinner, a wide variety of dinner specials, and hibachi tables.

“Ryan and Paige are regular customers at our restaurant,” said Ling. “That’s where and how we met and became friends. Ryan and Paige found that they’ve become too busy with their other business, and don’t have time to run the shop. They asked us if we were interested in taking over since we have experience in the food industry.”

Ling’s family lived in Middletown, but moved to Higganum last summer. “We moved because we have a big family with five kids running around; we want them to have room to grow and play. We have a lot of friends and customers from the Haddam area who all had great things to say and recommend the town to us.”

Will there be any drastic changes at the Dairy Barn?

“[We] are big fans of Dairy Barn’s ice creams and what they stand for,” said Ling. “Which is why there will be no changes made besides ownership.” They still offer the same ice cream, Italian ices and delicious sundaes.

We stopped by yesterday to get my daughter some soft serve, and the lines were long, but as it is in a small town, people stood around patiently chatting, waiting for their ice cream to appear in the window. The servers were friendly, and the ice cream was delicious.

The current hours are Wednesday through Monday 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. (closed on Tuesdays). Their hours will get longer as the weather gets warmer.

“We want to see HK Dairy Barn grow and prosper,” finished Ling. “We’ve got a lot of love and support these first few days of opening and it motivates us to do more and be even better.”

Moonlight is located at 130 Main Street, Middletown.

HK Dairy Barn is located at 986 Killingworth Road, Higganum.

H. Gordon Chasseaud: Haddam’s Distinguished World War I Veteran

By Philip R. Devlin

Born in Brooklyn, NY, on November 20, 1887, Herve Gordon Chasseaud (usually written as “H. Gordon Chasseaud”) joined the service in the U.S. Army as a 2nd Lieutenant during World War I. Chasseaud was usually known to his friends and neighbors as “Gordon.” Gordon Chasseaud initially kept a home both in Brooklyn and in Haddam, CT, where he lived with his wife and his mother, Emma. In 1912, his parents bought a summer home on 946 Saybrook Road from the Smith family. Later, after teaching French for many years at St. Albans School, Chasseaud spent his retirement years in the

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Wonders of Nature

By Scott Brinckerhoff

You don’t have to be a serious birder to recognize the gorgeous Baltimore oriole. Apart from their brilliant orange and black coloring, they tend to show up in small groups and they often chatter loudly, announcing that they’re back in town.

To draw orioles into your backyard, all it takes is a couple of oranges and some grape jelly. This guy kept coming back to an orange half stuck onto a broken branch. He and his friends were also quite happy at a fancier feeder with little cups for jelly and spikes to hold the oranges.

Lure them in and they will likely hang around all summer.



Photo by Scott Brinckerhoff.

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Help A Summer Youth Program Restore Camp Bethel

By Christine Becker, Member of Camp Bethel Association

A summer youth program that brings young people, seniors, veterans and local volunteers together will work to restore Camp Bethel, a National Historic Site on the banks of the Connecticut River.

Young people will learn basic carpentry, painting and roofing skills while giving Camp Bethel in Haddam the repairs and upgrades that are sorely needed. Camp Bethel, founded in 1878, is a historic, interdenominational campground that has provided youth programming and spiritual guidance for thousands of young people over its 144 years of existence.

Where are we in the process? An architect and several carpenters already have volunteered their time to assess the needs of the many buildings – a church, dining hall, youth cabins, meeting hall – and to lead the work. Thirty young people from the Deep River Congregational Church Youth Group have set aside a week from June 13-17, 2022 to work, and commitments are being established with other schools and youth organizations. Local veterans also will be on hand to assist with this project.

What are we missing? Funding for the supplies



and materials to make it successful. Your donations will purchase paint, wood, lighting and other much-needed supplies.

Will you join us in giving young people skills and experience, promoting inter-generational dialogue and helping give a wonderful historic landmark the TLC it needs? All donated funds will go toward this project. GoFundMe takes only 2.9% for processing

fees; all the rest of your donation will help us to make this project move forward!

There will be an Open House on Friday, June 17, at 1:00-2:30 p.m. We will be meeting in the Dining Hall at 1:00 p.m. for some tours of the grounds.

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4-H to Hold Junk in the Trunk at Middlesex County Extension Center: June 11

By Kathleen Naples, Middlesex County 4-H

The Middlesex County 4-H will be hosting a Junk in the Trunk on Saturday, June 11, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (rain date Sunday, June 12) at the Middlesex County Extension Center at 1066 Saybrook Road, Haddam.

SELLERS

Load up your car trunk/pickup bed with anything you want to sell (garage sale type stuff, crafts,

clothing, tools, etc.). You sell directly to the public. Small display table is okay. Save your spot! \$15/ space

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Shop for used goods, children's items, arts, crafts, antiques, furniture, jewelry and whatever other treasures are for sale.

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June: Dog Licensing Month

By Bob Siegrist, Haddam Town Clerk

The Town Clerk's office wants to remind you that June is Dog Licensing Month, starting on June 1st and before the 30th or a penalty will be imposed pursuant to Sec. 22-338 of the State of Connecticut General Statutes. You will be receiving a renewal notice reminder in the mail soon.

Fee Schedule:

- Neutered/Spayed: \$8
- Male/Female: \$19
- Late Penalty: \$1 per month

You can obtain a license at the Town Clerk's office:

- Monday – Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- Friday: 8:30 a.m. – Noon

For your convenience- renew your license by mail. Please provide a copy of your current/updated rabies info, updated spayed/neutered certificate and a check. Make check payable to Town of Haddam with a self-addressed stamped return envelope to:

Town Clerk's Office
30 Field Park Drive
Haddam, CT 06438

Please advise us if:

- 1: You are no longer a resident here.
- 2: Your dog is no longer in your possession.
- 3: If you have a new dog (supply new data).

If you have any questions, please call the Town Clerk's office at: 860-345-8531 ext. 212 or 211.

HKIMS Applied Academics and Fine Arts Show: Today!

By Robert Fagan, HK Intermediate/Middle School

Today, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Haddam-Killingworth Intermediate & Middle School will host their Applied Academics and Fine Arts

(AAFA) Show. This annual event has not been held in person since 2019, with the

AAFA Team putting on virtual shows in 2020 and 2021.

We could not be more excited to welcome the community back to our building and to share our students' successes. This wonderful event showcases student work completed in Art,

Music, Technology Education, Health, Physical Education, Foods, Life Skills, LEAP and Foreign Language classes, as well as a Scholastic Book Fair.

In addition, there will be an American Red Cross Blood Drive hosted by our Middle School students and staff in the HKIMS Auditorium from 1:00-6:00 p.m.

Come out and enjoy the fantastic artwork and projects that our students have created this year, enjoy live performances from our jazz band and chorus, and help our community by donating blood at the blood drive!

Saint Lawrence Church Strawberry Festival Returns: June 18

By Melissa Ferrara

Saint Lawrence Church's Strawberry Festival returns this year, after a two-year hiatus, on Saturday, June 18, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Food includes strawberry shortcake, hot dogs, hamburgers and more.

Attractions include a basket raffle, a free drawing for dads for a Father's Day basket, bake sale, and vendors for tag sale items or crafts. For more information, visit www.stlawrencechurch.com

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF HADDAM PLANNING AND ZONING PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut will hold a Public Hearing at the Old Town Hall, 30 Field Park Haddam CT on June 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following item(s):

Public Hearing and Meeting:

1. Proposed special permit and site plan review to allow 32 unit multi-family housing project with a modification of the parking requirements. 4 Brookes Court Haddam CT/ Map 49 Lot 68-4.

Applicant: Elm Tree Communities

Said application is on file in the Land Use Office of the Town of Haddam. Planning and zoning Commission, Haddam CT



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June Mentor Information Session Schedule

By Laura Shipman, HKYFS

Ever wondered what you could do to impact the life of a child in a positive way?

Do you have one spare hour of time per week to become a valued friend and role model to a child?

If you answered yes, please join one of the information sessions listed below to learn about the HK Mentoring Program, a partnership between Youth and Family Services of Haddam-Killingworth (HKYFS) and RSD 17. During the information session, you will learn about the importance of mentoring, the value it can bring to a student in our

community, and the steps you can take to become a mentor.

Date/Time/Location

Wednesday, June 1, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Brainerd Memorial Library

Zoom meeting available upon request.

For more information or to register please email Patty Coletti, Mentor Program Consultant, for HK Youth and Family Services at mentorprogram@hkyfs.org; or you can call Patty at 860-345-7498.

Once you RSVP, you will receive an invitation to the orientation. Please be sure to indicate the date you want to attend. We look forward to meeting with you.

Local Students Excel, Shine at Colleges, Universities

Information from Merit Pages News

University of St. Joseph Counseling Hooding & Awards Ceremony Celebrates Jourdan Milardo's Achievements

WEST HARTFORD, CT (05/13/2022)– On Thursday, May 12, the University of Saint Joseph's School Counseling and Clinical Mental Health Counseling programs celebrated the accomplishments of the 2022 graduating cohort last with hooding, flowers, and balloons. Family and friends joined in applauding the outstanding work these graduates have done despite a pandemic. Twenty-nine new counselors are now ready to meet the world's growing need for professional and compassionate care.

The ceremony included the tradition and meaning of the academic hood. Students were also honored with a series of graduate awards.

Jourdan Milardo of Haddam, Conn. — M.A. School Counseling

DAHLONEGA, GA (05/17/2022)– Trent Ferguson of Killingworth has been named to the President's Honor Roll at the University of North Georgia (UNG) for achieving a 4.0 grade point average during spring 2022.

Dr. Bonita C. Jacobs, president

of UNG, recognized students who reached this academic achievement during the spring 2022 semester. Students enrolled in 12 or more credit hours in Bachelor's degree programs who achieved a 4.0 grade point average were named to the President's Honor Roll. Students enrolled in Associate degree or dual enrollment programs who met the same level of achievement were named to the President's List.

SNHU Announces Winter 2022 Dean's List

MANCHESTER, NH (05/17/2022)– It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Winter 2022 Dean's List.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699 are named to the Dean's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits; undergraduate day students must earn 12 credits in the fall or spring semester, and online students must earn 12 credits over two consecutive terms (EW1 & EW2, EW3 & EW4, or EW5 & EW6).

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By Chris Morgan, Public Access Coordinator, VSCTV

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- 5/26 - 5:00 p.m. Old Saybrook Meetings
- 5/28 - 6:00 p.m. Talk of the Town/Sports Talk
- 5/29 - 4:00 p.m. First Congregational Church in Essex Sun. Service 5/22/22
- 5/29 - 5:00 p.m. Emmanuel Baptist Church Sunday Service 5/22/22
- 5/29 - 6:00 p.m. Deep River Town Meetings 5/24/22
- 5/30 - 5:00 p.m. Silver Linings Talk Show - Mothers Day
- 5/30 - 6:00 p.m. Shore Things: SCORE
- 5/30 - 8:00 p.m. Art of Poetry
- 5/31 - 4:00 p.m. Clinton Meetings
- 5/31 - 6:00 p.m. Arts & Entertainment: Thomas Duffy Yale Bands
- 5/31 - 7:00 p.m. Pete Mezzetti Show
- 5/31 - 8:00 p.m. Shoreline Music Monthly: Alison Farrell
- 6/1 - 4:00 p.m. Westbrook Congregational 5/22/22

For the complete schedule and to watch programs on-demand, visit www.vsctv.com. HKTV and VSCTV are available on Comcast Xfinity channel 18 & 19, Frontier TV channel 6089 & 6090, or on Apple TV, Roku, & Fire TV by using the free Cablecast Screenweave app.

Please visit www.haddam.org, www.townofkillingworth.com or hk-now.com for the most current information, including cancellations, location changes, time changes. See hk-now.com for more information on calendar items.

Thursday, May 26

Killingworth Public Hearing - Charter Revision meeting 7:00 p.m. (remote GoTo meeting)

HK Hall of Fame Online Auction 2022 - Online auction runs through May 31 at 4:00 p.m.

Toddler Tunes - Brainerd Library 10:00 a.m. - 10:30.

Love2Sign with Jaye - Killingworth Library 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Dungeons & Dragons - Killingworth Library 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

The Middletown Garden Club flower show - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Wadsworth Mansion in Middletown, The public is invited free of charge.

HKIMS/Red Cross Blood Drive 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Haddam Zoning Board of Appeals meeting 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 28

Fight Voter Fraud Inc. Informative Brunch meeting 140 Knox Blvd, Middletown, CT 06457 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. This organization seeks to reintroduce election integrity to the state of Connecticut by removing the following from the voter rolls: Deceased people; Voters who have moved out of town or out of Connecticut; Non US Citizens.

Saturday Storytime 10:00 a.m. Killingworth Library. Saturday Storytimes are now an in-person event!

We will meet either in the reading garden, if the weather is nice, or the children's room.

Sunday, May 29

Shad Museum - Open every Sunday until June 12 - The Haddam Shad Museum will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 212 Saybrook Road, Higganum. Free and open to all.

Monday, May 30

Haddam Memorial Day Parade - The observance of Memorial Day is scheduled to be held on Monday, May 30, 2022 beginning promptly at 9:30 a.m. The parade route will no longer include marching to the Higganum Cemetery but will instead pass directly through the Citizens Bank and Village Market parking lots, then to the green. For further information, please contact Ron Annino (860-345-4451), Ken Vallera (860-883-0578) or Art Wiknik (860-345-8619).

The Killingworth Memorial Day Parade will begin at 9:00 a.m. and follow a route from Killingworth Elementary School, proceeding south on Route 81. The parade will end at the Congregational Church where a ceremony will be held after the parade with state and local officials as well as veterans in attendance. A military guard will be present, Taps will be played, and we expect a flyover will occur around the time of the ceremony. We encourage all who watch the parade to gather at the Congregational Church to take part and observe the brief ceremony.

HVFC Auxiliary Annual Clam Chowder Sale 10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. This event is held across from the

town green immediately following the Memorial Day parade. A cup of chowder is \$4; a quart will be sold for \$10. Quarts should be ordered in advance by calling 860-345-8245 and they must be picked up by 11:00 a.m. in the kitchen. The Auxiliary has been selling the chowder on Memorial Day since 1969. Members appreciate the Fire Department's help with the chowder for over 50 years!

Tuesday, May 31

Spring Storytime at Brainerd Library 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Coding for Kids 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Killingworth Library is excited to offer an introductory coding class, recommended for ages 8-13!

Wednesday, June 1

HK Mentoring Info Session - Brainerd Library Community Room 3:00 p.m. Learn about the HK Mentoring Program, a partnership between Youth and Family Services of Haddam-Killingworth (HKYFS) and RSD 17. During the information session, you will learn about the importance of mentoring, the value it can bring to a student in our community, and the steps you can take to become a mentor.

Thursday, June 2

- Haddam Planning & Zoning Commission meeting** 7:00 p.m.
- Toddler Tunes** - Brainerd Library 10:00 a.m.
- Love2Sign with Jaye** - Killingworth Library 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
- Dungeons & Dragons** - Killingworth Library 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Parmelee Farm Committee meeting** 7:00 p.m. Pond Room at Parmelee Farm

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Killingworth Ambulance Association Responded to More Calls, Fall Victims in 2021

By Clark Judge

The number of emergency responses by the Killingworth Ambulance Association jumped dramatically in 2021, but the cause of those calls did not.

As was the case in 2020, victims of falls led all responses, followed by sick persons and individuals with breathing problems. Those were the same three (though not in that order) that led all calls in 2020 when the KAA responded to 370 emergencies.

So nothing different there.

But look at the number of calls compiled by the KAA. There were 496 in 2021, a 34 percent increase over the previous year. Now look at the number of fall victims. There were 117 in 2021, or 23.6 percent of the total. There were 71 last year, or 19.2 percent of the total, and 75 the year before.

That's a 64.7 percent hike in one year, and one that's not easy to explain.

"We didn't pass on as many calls last year," said Mike Haaga, the KAA's chief of service, searching for an explanation, "so that made our call volume higher. Second, we did more mutual-aid calls to other towns. I don't know if there was a COVID 'rebound,' where people weren't calling the ambulance (in 2020) because of COVID and then thought it had subsided. But they may have been calling for more things."

That might explain the number of calls for sick persons. That figure jumped from 36 in 2020 (9.7

percent) to 62 one year later, or 12.3 percent of the total. Breathing problems, however, did not increase. In fact, they were unchanged. Where there were 36 in 2020, there were 36 the following year.

What follows are the Top Five KAA calls for 2021:

Fall victims ... 117 (23.6)

Sick persons ... 62 (12.3)

Breathing problems ... 36 (7.3)

Chest pain ... 26 (5.2)

Altered mental status ... 25 (5.0)

What's intriguing about these figures is that, for the first time in years, traffic accidents didn't make the Top Five. Instead, they were sixth with 25 responses, or 4.8 percent of the total. In 2019, for example, they were second, with 35 calls (9.9 percent).

But that was before COVID arrived.

Here's a comparison with the Top Five of 2020:

Fall victims ... 71 (19.2)

Breathing problems 36 (9.7)

Sick persons ... 35 (9.5)

Not entered ... 32 (8.6)

Traffic accidents ... 25 (6.8)

Also of interest in 2021 were responses for unconscious persons or individuals who fainted. In 2020, there were only five. That number jumped to 12 one year later, or 2.4 percent of the total and one more than there were in 2019 (11).

KAA figures are kept annually, with calls recorded electronically on patient-care reports by EMTs on the scene.

Maurice Dale Adams



Maurice Dale Adams, who passed away in his home on April 27, 2022, was best known in Haddam because he showed up—to everything! From board of finance, to land use, to planning and zoning, to board of education meetings, you name it, Maurice was there. Always asking questions, always taking leaders to task, always making insightful recommendations, and always with an optimistic smile saying, "We're going to make this happen." He acted out of a growing concern for climate change, striving to educate himself and others on lessening human-caused changes to the Earth's environment.

And he made things happen. For example:

- He led a group of concerned citizens to challenge the supposed "benefits" of having freight trains carrying toxic materials and petroleum run through Haddam and along the Connecticut River.
- He became a founding member of the Haddam News, writing articles to inform the public about important local and environmental issues.
- He conceived of and promoted The CT River Green&BlueWay – a 30-mile long multi-use 'rail-with-trail' scenic, recreational, and tourist corridor running along the CT river from Middletown to Old Saybrook.
- He served on RiverCOG's Regional Planning Commission and fought tirelessly to motivate the Commission to prioritize environmental and 'smart' economic growth considerations.
- He brought people together to try and transform the decommissioned CT Yankee Nuclear power plant into a renewable energy demonstration site and energy storage facility.

Maurice was not from Haddam, but in 2004 he followed his best friend Reuben Trane to the area and built a cabin overlooking the Connecticut River for everyone to enjoy. In that cabin, he spent his last days peacefully with his wife, Elizabeth, two sons, Moe and Alex, and daughter, Emily, by his side. Maurice's family and friends will be invited to celebrate his life this summer, details to be provided at a later date.

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H. Gordon Chasseaud: Haddam's Distinguished World War I Veteran

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Higganum section of Haddam, living near the Shad Museum.

Chasseaud's facility with French became enormously important during the war, as most of the major battles in the Great War took place in France. He served as a liaison officer between the French government and the United States Army during the war. Later, he served with great distinction on the Commission for Relief in Belgium (the CRB) during and after the war.

Following is a summary of the CRB's mission:

Herbert Hoover founded the Commission for Relief in Belgium (CRB) in London in October 1914 as a private organization to provide food for German-occupied Belgium. Belgium's attempts at resistance to German military demands at the outbreak of the Great War had aroused much popular sympathy in England and the United States. A densely populated, industrialized country, Belgium depended on imports for three-quarters of its normal food supply. When the German Army began to requisition local foodstuffs and the British blockade cut off imported sources, 7 million Belgians faced severe hunger as the winter of 1914-1915 approached. When the American ambassador in London, Walter Hines Page, met with Belgian representatives, they concluded that Herbert Hoover was the best choice to administer some emergency relief action. The comprehensiveness of the program, however, was the result of Hoover's personal determination to feed the entire nation.

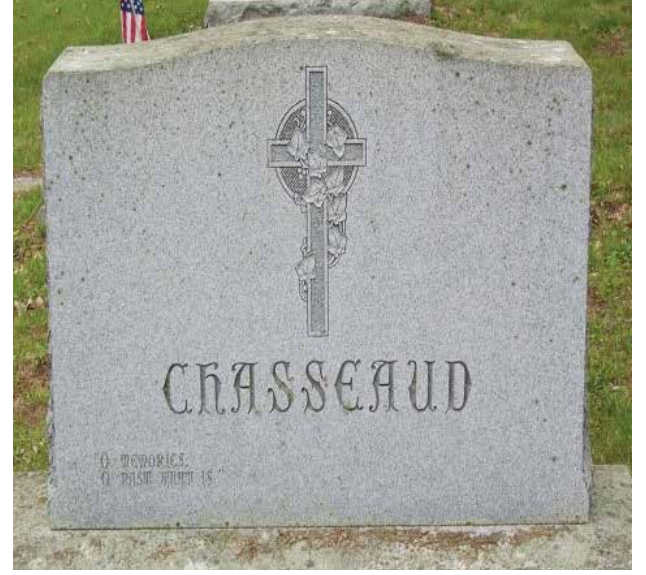
The CRB conducted its humanitarian work on an unprecedented scale and with a unique administrative organization... The basic facts hint at the scope and complexity of the undertaking. Between 1914 and 1919, the CRB dispensed nearly \$1 billion in order to feed 9 million Belgian and French citizens behind German lines.



Gordon Chasseaud received two medals for his distinguished service for helping the people of Belgium and France. Here is an article from the Hartford Courant describing one of his awards:

"Haddam, Aug. 28, 1919: H. Gordon Chasseaud of Brooklyn and Haddam has received the following notice: "By a dispatch of ... His Majesty the King of Belgium has conferred upon you "The Medal of King Albert." In recognition of this high distinction, His Majesty has voiced the sentiments of gratitude of all the Belgium People."

Gordon Chasseaud lived on Old Saybrook Road in Higganum for many years. He died at age 79 in



1967 and is buried in the Haddam Cemetery with his parents, Jasper and Ella, and his wife, Marion, who died in 1978 at age 87. He had no children.

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Baseball 2022: HKHS Defeats Cromwell 3-1

By Mark Brookes, Coach

The Haddam Killingworth High School Varsity Baseball team defeated Cromwell in Higganum on Monday, May 16, by a final score of 3-1.

Alex Sheehan allowed one run on 4 hits, striking out 5, for his 3rd win. Nick Glynn and Lucas Kamoen each had 2 hits to lead HK. Zajac had 2 hits for Cromwell.

Cromwell 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 4 0
 HK 0 1 1 1 0 0 x 3 7 0

Batteries: HK- Alex Sheehan and Nick Glynn.
 Cromwell - Zach Zajac and Matt Patrick. WP Sheehan LP Zajac

*Records: HK (12-6), Cromwell (8-10)
 *at time of publication.



Photo by Rita Civiello.

Baseball: HKHS Defeats East Granby 1-0

By Mark Brookes, Coach

On Thursday, May 12, the Haddam Killingworth High School Varsity Baseball team defeated East Granby in East Granby, with a final score of 1-0.

Callen Powers threw a one-hit shutout, striking out 11 for his 5th win. Declan Christopher scored from third on a wild pitch in the fourth for HK's only run. Aiden Cosgrove had a lead-off double in the third inning for East Granby's only hit.

HK 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 3 0
 EG 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1

Batteries: HK- Callen Powers, and Nick Glynn.
 EG - Joe Medieros and Matt Fognant. WP Powers LP Medieros

*Records: HK (11-6), East Granby (10-6)
 *at time of publication.



Photo by Rita Civiello.

Boys Lacrosse: HKHS Defeats Cromwell 13-1; #1 in Class S & Shoreline Conference

By Mike Kelly

In decisive fashion, the defending 2021 Shoreline Conference Champion Haddam Killingworth High School Cougars Boys Lacrosse team defeated conference foe Cromwell 13-1 on Thursday evening, May 12, 2022. With the victory, the Cougars pushed their season record to a gaudy 12-1, solidifying their standing as the team everyone in the Shoreline Conference is trying to beat.

HK appeared somewhat flat to begin the game. Perhaps the warm weather contributed to their lethargy. Senior Corey Phipps, who would go on to have a monster night, got the scoring started for the Cougars, 1-0 HK. Early in the second quarter Cromwell somehow eked out a goal against the steel curtain, tying the game 1-1. Perhaps that's what the HK squad needed for motivation. From that point forward it was all Cougars.

Midway through the second, Nolan Braren fed Gunnar Howes above the right post for the overhand stepdown, 2-1 HK. Moments later d-pole Matteo Piacenti took one coast-to-coast, 3-1 HK. G. Howes then fed C. Phipps, who danced from GLE and popped one into the top right corner of the cage, 4-1 HK. Just before halftime, attackman Aaron McLeod found C. Phipps again cutting above the left side of the crease, 5-1 HK. The wheels were coming off for the visiting Panthers.

In the third quarter C. Phipps intercepted a lazy pass in front of the Cromwell cage and found net, 6-1 HK. A. McLeod then fired one in from the left side of the crease, 7-1 HK. A minute later it was a "third time's the charm" moment for C. Phipps, who grabbed two missed rebounds before finishing with the third, 8-1 HK. Then, following a loose ball scramble in front of the crease, C. Phipps hustled and tallied another goal, 9-1 HK. Then, late in the period, C. Phipps struck again for his seventh goal of the night, this time dancing and firing from above the right post, 10-1 HK.

Before it was over G. Howes would score two more of his own for the hat trick, 12-1 HK. And last, but certainly not least, utility reliever, d-pole and middle, the Swiss Army Knife that is Nate Kelly, got in on the scoring action as well. Kelly closed things out for the victorious Cougars with a nice shot on the doorstep, 13-1 HK. Final.



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