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## Outdoor Track: Boys & Girls Finish Dual Meet Season Undefeated

*By Matt Diglio, Coach*

On Tuesday, May 17, the Haddam Killingworth boys and girls track teams concluded their dual meet season as they hosted Portland at the Dick Dupuis Track. Both the boys and girls team were victorious on the afternoon to wrap up their dual meet season undefeated.

The boys finished their season with an 8-0 record which is the 4th year in a row the boys have gone undefeated amassing a record of 30-0 over that time and since 2007 have a dual meet record of 123-6. The boys defeated Portland by a score of 88-61. Leading the way for the Cougars were the following event winners: John Panzera 110 hurdles (16.8), Evan Baird 3200 (11:41), Tyler Robinson 800 (2:15), Aidan Law 100 (11.2) long jump (20'1") high jump (5'9") and 200 (22.8), Caleb Freeman 1600 (4:54), Jared Frith pole vault (10'6"),

Orion Inkel triple jump (36'3"). The boys 4x800 relay was also victorious on the afternoon.

The H-K girls team defeated Portland by a score of 108-42 to conclude their dual meet season 8-0. This is the third consecutive undefeated season for the girls amassing a record of 19-0 over that time and since 2012 have a combined record of 87-9. Leading the way for the Cougars were the following event winners: Leah Sosnowski 100 hurdles (17.1) and 300 hurdles (52.6), Mariella Fulcher 100 (12.8) and 200 (27.5), Brianna Minervino 400 (64.0), Jess Timothy high jump (4'8"), Ly-Linh Criscuolo long jump (16'1") and triple jump (32'0"), Scarlett Strom discus (80'11") shotput (27'1") and javelin (87'5"). The girls 4x100 and 4x400 relay teams were also victorious on the afternoon to contribute to the team's win.

*Photo courtesy of John & Yvette Minervino.*



## June 4 is Ag Day at Brainerd Library: A Saturday of Family Farm Fun!

*By Robbie Marshall, Assistant Director,  
Brainerd Memorial Library*

Brainerd Memorial Library is hosting its 4th Annual Agricultural Day on Saturday, June 4, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Library, 920 Saybrook Road in Haddam. Ag Day activities and events will include "Tractor Mac" Children's Author Billy Steers; animals,

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## Nancy Meyers Entertains Residents of High Meadow with Patriotic Music

*By Jo Ann Woickelman*

On Tuesday, May 17, the residents at High Meadow (Haddam's senior housing facility) were treated to a program of patriotic music by Nancy Meyers. Her songs covered the period from the Revolutionary War, Civil War, WW I and through WW II. Residents were invited to sing along, guess the name of the song and who wrote the song. As Nancy went through her repertoire, she revealed the history related to each song.

Nancy is a long time Haddam resident who plays both the violin and fiddle. She started playing at the age of 8. Nancy has entertained at reenactments, assisted living facilities and convalescent homes. During COVID19 she and others played via Zoom.

High Meadow is a facility for 62+/disabled individuals. There are 22 units, a mix of studio and one-bedroom apartments. The facility is managed by Wildwood Property Management LLC.



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# Old Burial Yard Thirty Mile Island Gets a Facelift; the Art of Fencing

By Connie Farrington

By the time you're 154 years old, you need a fence-lift! Or so thought the overseers for the Old Burial Yard, Thirty Mile Island. Markings on the old wrought iron show the fence around the Arnold/ Brainerd plot was created in 1868. Recent photos of the fence project have been provided by Cindy MacNeil Sola.

The far-reaching search for fine purveyors of wrought iron work led to the renowned Cassidy Brothers Forge in Rowley, Massachusetts. Their impressive creations include work at Mount Auburn in Cambridge, Massachusetts as well as the enclosure around Connecticut's Old State House in Hartford.

Cassidy Brothers spent 180 hours restoring the first wrought iron fence for us at their Massachusetts facility, then installed it in the cemetery. This fence surrounds the burial places of Capt. Jared Arnold (died 1845) and his wife Susan Brainerd. Lucy Brainard's 1908 Genealogy of the Brainerd-Brainard family (available at Walmart) tells us this: Captain Arnold "was a seafaring man from his youth and for a considerable period was commander of a vessel. He sailed between New York and Liverpool, and New York and Mobile, Alabama."

The inventory taken during his 1845 probate proceedings includes the following parcels of land: mansion house and adjoining garden, home lot and barn, two acres near the courthouse, one and ¼ acres in the town meadow, five acres pasture, and ten acres wood lot. In addition to stocks and cash, he left one cow and two and ½ tons of hay.

The second enclosure, the Cook plot, was repaired and painted on-site by the Cassidy Brothers. On-line research reports that Nathaniel Cook died in 1876 at age 84, preceded by the death of his wife Mary in 1862 at age 75. Nathaniel's pension application card shows that he served in the War of 1812. In the 1860 Haddam census, Nathaniel was reported as a stone cutter. (Perhaps he carved his own tombstone.)

You can now visit the cemetery and sit on one of the benches and just appreciate the beauty and the history of the fence and grounds.

The remaining enclosure to be restored is that of the Clark family. This plot includes the graves of Noah Clark, Jr. (died 1834) and his wife Charity (died 1867). Noah Jr. had converted the house his



Photos courtesy of Cindy MacNeil Sola.

father had built in 1791 into a tavern. After Noah died at age 42, his wife Charity and their son Austin continued operating the tavern. The property on which it sat was the land where Haddam's first meeting house had been built.

Cindy MacNeil Sola, President of the Old Burial Yard, tells us that a Friends of the Cemetery group is being organized to raise \$15,000 to complete the

project. Watch for their emergence. Donations to this 501(c)(3) organization are tax deductible. Checks can be made out to Old Burial Yard Thirty Mile Island earmarking it for the fence project, and mailed to Melissa Gibson, 356 Candlewood Hill, Higganum, Ct. 06441. Meanwhile, you can stay tuned via their Facebook page.

Also stay tuned for the date of a presentation by the Cassidy Brothers Forge next Fall. They will be describing their process of reconstruction and restoration.




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## June Activities & Events

By Tammy Eustis, Assistant Director, Killingworth Library Association

### Extended Evening Hours Start in June at the Library

Killingworth Library is excited to announce that the library will be open until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting June 2. Hours for the remaining days of the week remain unchanged: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; Saturdays 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

### Summer Reading Kickoff

The Killingworth Library's summer reading program kicks off on Saturday, June 25, with the return of Life-Sized Candyland Under the Sea! Our summer-long activities center around the Oceans of Possibilities theme and will also feature STEM/STEAM programs with a Pirate theme. Details will appear soon on our website's calendar - visit [killingworthlibrary.org](http://killingworthlibrary.org) for information and registration forms. The 2022 summer activities are made possible by grants from the Community Foundation of Middlesex County, the Peach Pit Foundation, and the CT State Library's Summer Enrichment Grant in cooperation with the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

### Minecraft Mania at Killingworth Library

Mark your calendars for Killingworth Library's first-ever online Minecraft program on

Thursday, June 30, 2022 from 4:00-5:30 p.m. Open to children in grades 2 through 5, participants will complete a series of quests, activities, and challenges within the game in small groups. Along the way, all skill levels of Minecraft will gain new knowledge, tips, & tricks! The library will be offering light refreshments and can provide 5 laptops for participants who may not have their own smart phone, tablet or laptop. A separate account or experience is not required.

This program is being held in cooperation with Deep River Public Library. Space is limited, so please register through the Calendar on the library website - [killingworthlibrary.org](http://killingworthlibrary.org) - or contact the library at 860-663-2000.

### "With My Own Two Hands" Kindness Initiative Continues

Killingworth Library patrons are invited to participate in the "With My Own Two Hands" project - identify a kind act that you pledge to do and place the paper entry in our special mailbox; all participants will be entered in our monthly drawing for a prize. Our first winner is a 4-year-old Killingworth resident, who received a gift certificate to Andie's Cookies! The Kindness Initiative will run through the month of August, so think about how you can make the world a better place. The library thanks the Peach Pit Foundation and the Community Foundation of Middlesex Foundation for sponsoring this activity.

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

### 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

### Friday, June 3

**Killingworth Historic Review Committee meeting** 11:00 a.m. Town Office Building

**Music with Margie** Killingworth Library 11:00 a.m.

### Saturday, June 4

**Brainerd Library's 4th Annual "Agricultural Day"** 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Connecticut Trails Day Beaver Ledges Preserve** 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Join us for a hike at the Beaver Ledges Preserve and the newly acquired DeForest Preserve. We will walk approximately 2 miles on moderate terrain, with some hilly and rocky spots. You may want to bring along a walking stick if you have one. Directions: South on Saybrook Road, pass the Route 82 highway ramp, turn right onto Dudley Clark Road. Turn right on Old Chester Road. Old Chester Road turns into Ruth Hill Road. Park beyond the Route 82

overpass (about 1.5 miles), on the one-lane dirt road.

### Sunday, June 5

**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, June 6

**Killingworth Charter Revision Commission meeting** 7:00 p.m. (remote).

### Tuesday, June 7

**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!

**RSD #17 Board of Education meeting** 6:00 p.m. Central Office.

**RSD #17 Board of Education Staff Recognition meeting** 7:00 p.m. HKHS.

### Wednesday, June 8

**Haddam Economic Development meeting** 6:30 p.m.

**Killingworth Public Health Agency meeting** 7:00 p.m. (remote).

### Thursday, June 9

**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.

**Killingworth Conservation Commission meeting** 7:00 p.m. (remote).

## HADDAM INFRASTRUCTURE WORK

### Haddam Sidewalk Project to Begin on Route 154

By Bill Warner, Haddam Town Planner

The contract for the Haddam Center Sidewalks project has been awarded and the work has been authorized to proceed. This project is a complete removal and replacement of the sidewalks on the east side of Route 154 from the Jail to the Cemetery. The contractor is Costa and Sons of Windsor, Conn.

The contract permits work from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. "Call Before You Dig" (CBYD) notification was marked out on May 20, 2022. Initial work will involve clearing trees outside the Route 154 Right-of-Way (ROW). Sidewalk work will start as soon as the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) issues the final Encroachment Permit, which typically takes two to four weeks.

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

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut will hold a Public Hearing at the Old Town Hall 30 Field Park Dr Haddam CT on June 16, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following item(s):

1. A request to allow a special permit for a used car dealer license without outdoor display of vehicles for sale. Applicant: Christine Saraceno Location: 206 Saybrook Rd Map 6/lot 2

Information is on the web site at [www.haddam.org](http://www.haddam.org) and at the Land Use Office at the Haddam town Hall.

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

## TOWN OF HADDAM DECISION OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS COMMISSION

On May 26, 2022 the Zoning Board of Appeals approved the following application:

1. A request for a variance to allow a side setback of not less than 5ft (20ft required) to allow construction of a garage. Applicant: Craig and Diane Murphy - Address: 999 Saybrook Rd Map 31/Lot 78

On May 26, 2022 denied the following without prejudice:

1. A variance to allow a free standing pylon sign with internal illumination within the Tylerville Village district zone. Address: 1598 Saybrook Rd - Map 49/lot31-A

Said Applications are on file and may be seen in the Land Use Office, in the Town of Haddam Building.

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# Boys Tennis: HKHS's White Advances to Semis in Shoreline Conference Tournament; Leiberman Makes Quarter Finals

By Rod Pakus, Coach

Eddie White, of Haddam Killingworth High School, advanced to the semi-finals in the 1-2 singles bracket of the 2022 Shoreline Conference Tournament with a first round defeat of V. Fuda of Old Saybrook by the score of 6-0, 6-0 and a win in the quarter finals over C. Hinckley of Lyme-Old Lyme in straight sets 6-4, 6-2. He next faces Nik Wyszowski of Valley Regional in a match scheduled Tuesday afternoon on the Morgan courts.

The Cougars' Bryce Leiberman defeated T. Dahl of Valley Regional in the opening round of the 1-2 singles bracket 6-1, 6-2. In his

quarter-final match, Bryce faced the overall top seed in the 1-2 bracket, Joe Morse of Morgan and lost 2-6, 0-6.

H-K Senior Co-Captain Joe Mercier lost in the opening round of the 3-4 singles draw to M. Lopez of Morgan by the scores of 2-6, 2-6. "This is Joe's last match in a Cougars uniform and we are thankful for the three years he participated in our program, said Coach Pakus. We will miss his quiet leadership."

In the doubles draw, H-K's #1 Doubles team of Joe Wessinger and Gus Luzietti lost their opening match to the #3 tournament seed of Matesky and Garrity of Valley Regional by the scores of 1-6, 4-6.

# Local Students Excel at Colleges, Universities

Information from Merit Pages News

GROVE CITY, PA (05/24/2022)– Rena Mainetti, a Political Science major at Grove City College from Haddam, has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2022 semester. Rena is a 2021 graduate of Homeschool and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Mainetti (Christine) from Haddam, CT.

Students eligible for the Dean's List have a GPA of 3.40 to 3.59; for the Dean's List with Distinction a GPA of 3.60 to 3.84 and for the Dean's List with High Distinction a GPA of 3.85 to 4.0.

**Anna Biondi Achieves Spring 2022 Dean's List at Belmont University**

NASHVILLE, TN (05/20/2022)– Anna Biondi of Higganum qualified

for the Spring 2022 Dean's List at Belmont University. Eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C.

Approximately 45 percent of Belmont's 6,792 undergraduate students qualified for the Spring 2022 Dean's List.

Belmont Provost Dr. Thomas Burns said, "At Belmont, we are happy to celebrate the success of these students and know that their continued, consistent and comprehensive dedication to their academic work will equip them to make the world a better place. The Dean's List recognition at Belmont clearly demonstrates students' commitment to their educational endeavors."

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# 2022 Haddam Senior Picnic to be Held June 20; Make Your Reservations!

By R. Thurston Clark

We are having some June warm weather, already in May. The forecast is for more of the same so it's a great time for an outdoor picnic! This short note is to remind you that the Haddam COA, Committee On Aging, is sponsoring a picnic just for seniors on June 20, 2022.

It is a great venue for seniors in our town to gather together and socialize in a country setting. It will be under a pavilion, and includes some oldies but goodies by our one-man band, John Condi. You also could use the opportunity to speak to one of the committee members about some of the services available to Haddam seniors. If a committee member can't help you, there will probably be someone on hand who can. Need help now, contact Jessica Condil, Haddam's Director of Senior & Social Services. She's also the

town's Municipal Agent for the Elderly. However, the main focus of this event is for you to have an enjoyable time ... dancing on the grass and Frisbee throwing will be permitted.

**Where:** Haddam Neck Fair Grounds

**When:** Mon., June 20 (in case of inclement weather we'll move it to Haddam Fire House)

**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**What:** a "typical picnic lunch" including hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, bag of chips, soft drinks, and mixed fruit for dessert.

**Getting there:** Take the East Haddam swing bridge and follow routes 149 & 151 until you see the sign "Haddam Neck." Continue on Haddam

Neck Road until you come to the Fair Grounds, it's the turn just past the Firehouse.

There will be a handicapped accessible School Bus available at 10:45 a.m., at the Higganum Green. It seats 10 plus one wheelchair. Reserve a seat at Senior Center, or call Diane directly at 860-682-3301.

You'll need to make a reservation for lunch before Monday June 13, with a \$5 refundable payment by either stopping by the Senior Center at 923 Saybrook Road or contacting Beth Hartke at a Club 60 meeting or call her at 860-345-4608.

## HKHS SPORTS

### HKHS Girls and Boys Track Teams Each Win Shoreline Conference Championship!

By Matt Diglio, Coach

On May 25, at Old Saybrook High School, the Haddam Killingworth High School Boys and Girls track teams won the Shoreline Conference Championship. The Boys team captured the SLC championship for the 3rd year in a row; it was their 7th title in program history. The Girls team took the title for the 2nd year in a row and the 11th time in program history. This is only the second time ever in HKHS track history, since 1979, that both the Boys AND Girls teams captured the title in the same year.

The Boys team earned 136 points. The next closest team was Coginchaug with 128 points, then Portland with 71 points. The Girls team earned 157 points. The next closest team was East Hampton with 136.5 points, then Coginchaug with 123 points.

#### HK's Top Three Finishes Boys

- 4x800m Relay 3rd place Caleb Freeman, Matt Lara, Andrew Hedges, Alex Lara 8:25.57
- 100m Dash 3rd place Aidan Law 11.52
- 1600m Run 2nd place Caleb Freeman 4:37.54
- 3rd place Andrew Hedges 4:41.11
- 800m Run 1st place Alexander Lara 2:00.69
- 200m Dash 2nd place Aidan Law 23.07
- 3200m Run 2nd place Caleb Freeman 10:16.55
- 3rd place Andrew Hedges 10:34.77
- 4x400m Relay 3rd place Alex Lara, Kevin Cavrell, Jayden Fulton, Matt Lara 3:37.13
- Long Jump 1st place Aidan Law 21'02.75"
- Pole Vault 2nd place Jared Frith 11'06.00"
- Triple Jump 1st place Orion Inkel 41'03.50"
- 2nd place Andres Montes 39'11.25"

#### HK's Top Three Finishes Girls

- 4x800m Relay 2nd place Isabel Berardino, Olivia Macaluso, Charlotte Selmer, Brianna Minervino 10:15.02
- 4x100m Relay 2nd place Leah Chester, Mariella Fulcher, Adrianna Garoppolo, Ly-Linh Criscuolo 52.71
- 100m High Hurdles 3rd place Leah Sosnowski 17.22

- 100m Dash 3rd place Mariella Fulcher 13.63
- 1600m Run 2nd place Isabel Berardino 5:46.12
- 300m Hurdles 1st place Leah Sosnowski 50.64
- 3rd place Brianna Nugent 51.98
- 3200m Run 3rd place Isabel Berardino 12:34.53
- 4x400m Relay 2nd place Brianna Minervino, Leah Sosnowski, Brianna Nugent, Mariella Fulcher 4:18.68
- Long Jump 2nd place Ly-Linh Criscuolo 15'08.00" 3rd place Jessica Timothy 15'06.76"
- High Jump 3rd place Jessica Timothy 4'10.00"
- Discus 2nd place Scarlett Strom 88'04.00"
- Javelin 2nd place Scarlett Strom 88'11.00"
- Triple Jump 3rd place Ly-Linh Criscuolo 33'01.00"

## SENIOR CORNER

### Upcoming Events at the Haddam Senior Center

By Jo Ann Woickelman

The Haddam Senior Center announces two events coming in June:

**Wednesday, June 8, 2022** - Take a boat trip from New London, and see the lighthouses.

**Tuesday, June 14, 2022** - Flag Day! Come enjoy red, white and blue at the Senior Center. Please call Director Colleen Totman for details at 860-345-2480.

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# Girls Lacrosse: HKHS Defeats Lyme-Old Lyme 15-7

By Janice Calvi-Ruimerman

*Roses were yellow,  
seniors were blue,  
HK beat Old Lyme,  
on May Nineteenth,  
Two Thousand Twenty-Two!*

Higganum was adorned in blue and gold as the Haddam Killingworth High School Senior players and managers were honored in their last official game of the season on their home field.

What a way to end the season and play the senior game with back-to-back wins by the Haddam Killingworth Girls Lacrosse Junior Varsity and Varsity teams.

The Wildcats of Lyme-Old Lyme were no match for the HK Cougars, as they were easily defeated: JV 11-4 and Varsity 15-7.

The Junior Varsity team took the field first and serendipitously took the lead, overtaking the Lyme-Old Lyme defense. Goals were scored by Juniors Jenna Whitmer (2) and Brooklyn Bailey (1 incredible sweep-in goal), Sophomores Aly Campbell (3), with an amazing assist by Sarah Birkmeyer, Jaimey DiNapoli (3) and Brigitte Battistoni (1) off the draw, and Freshman Madalyn "Maddy" Catalano (1). JV Goalie Gabriel "Gabby" William aggressively defended her goal, allowing only 4 goals as her biggest fan cheered in the stands. Thank you, Auntie!

After the JV game, the seven Senior players, Captains Grace Cassidy, Yumi Imai, Kyla Mazzotta, and Senior Goalie Rhianna "Rhi" Phipps, Senior players Nicole Goosen, Carly Rettberg, Emily Sorrentino and two Senior managers, Grayson Norman and Kayla Davis, were honored with their families and the HK Community, including a surprise appearance from longtime U9 Coach "Coach Sue." There was such an overwhelming adoration for this team on this day, that a win was sure to follow. HK easily gained the majority of possessions at the draw with stick skills of Samantha "Sammy" Ruimerman and Georgia Cancroft, by drawing teammates, Senior Yumi Imai, Junior Audrey Wrinn and Freshman Ava Ramino. The HK defense of Nicole Goosen, Sophie Ramino, Peyton Tyler and Te'a Norman held the line as fellow defending Senior Kyla Mazzotta ran the ball downfield for a pass to goal. Varsity goals were tallied by Senior Yumi Imai (4), Senior Grace Cassidy (3), Senior Emily Sorrentino (1), Junior Sophie Ramino (1), Junior Audrey Wrinn (2) Sophomore Samantha "Sammy" Ruimerman (1) and Freshman Seanna "SeaSea" Ruimerman (3).

Varsity final score 15-7 to send this team to Shorelines and States. After 9 years of not making States, what a victory and legacy for the 2022 Team. Great game, Lady Cougars. Way to keep those sticks up and honor your Seniors!

See you at States and Shorelines.  
THANK YOU, Ladies!

- Brooklyn Bailey 1
- Brigitte Battistoni 10
- Sarah Birkmeyer 5
- Aly Campbell 31
- Georgia Cancroft 14
- Grace Cassidy 6
- Madalynn "Maddy" Catalano 20
- Ella Connelly 9
- Mya Conlon 27
- Jaimey DiNapoli 16
- Juliana "JGag" Gagliardi 8
- Nicole Goosen 7
- Emma Green 3
- Caroline Ignatuk 18
- Yumi Imai 2
- Sonya Luneau 32
- Kyla Mazzotta 25
- Tea Norman 30
- Rhianna "Rhi" Phipps 50
- Kelsie Piela 15
- Ava Ramino 23
- Sophie Ramino 13
- Leeha Reddy 4
- Samantha "Sammy" Ruimerman 12
- Seanna "SeaSea" Ruimerman 17
- Emily Sorrentino 21
- Peyton Tyler 37
- Jenna Whitmer 11
- Gabrielle "Gabby" Williams 51
- Audrey Wrinn 22

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# Boys Lacrosse: HKHS Defeated by Lyme-Old Lyme 7-6 in Triple Overtime

By Mike Kelly

It was a thrilling game, taking three overtimes to decide. In the end, however, despite a masterful performance in the cage by goalie Braden Civiello, the Cougars fell in a heartbreaker to conference foe Lyme-Old Lyme 7-6. Regardless of the loss, the defending 2021 Shoreline

high, having fought valiantly despite their depleted bench.

HK drew first blood when attackman Aaron McLeod punched it in from above the right crease, assisted by Cory Phipps, 1-0 HK. Middie Gunnar Howes then found Alex Phipps out front, 2-0 HK.

In the second period, after two goals by Lyme-Old Lyme knotted



Photos by Liz Griswold.

Conference Champion Haddam Killingworth High School Boys lacrosse team should hold their heads

things at 2-2, A. Phipps got free 15 yards above the crease and fired a high-to-low burner, 3-2 HK. A. Phipps then completed the hat trick with a silky pump fake and shot on the right post, 4-2 HK. Brother C. Phipps added another moments later, 5-2 HK at the half.

Lyme-Old Lyme would not go away quietly, answering with three goals in the third period to tie things up and force the extra time, eventually winning it on a breakaway goal late in the third OT period.

# Softball: HKHS Defeats Morgan 15-1 on Senior Night



HK celebrated its win over Morgan with a large softball that was actually many cupcakes for graduating seniors Madison LaTouche and Audrey Snyder. Photo by

By Jeff Talbott, Coach

The Haddam Killingworth High School Softball team defeated Morgan 15-1 in five innings on Friday, May 20.

HK celebrated its win over Morgan with a large softball that was actually many cupcakes for graduating seniors Madison LaTouche and Audrey Snyder.

HK's Kaleigh Bodak won her 13th game of the year with a one-run, three-hit performance, striking out 6. HK's two Seniors, Maddy LaTouche and Audrey Snyder, together went 3 for 5 with 4 runs scored and drew

3 walks while driving in 4 runs on Senior day at HK. Chey LaTouche had a double and a triple with 2 RBI to pace HK. Morgan scored a run on a Kacey Edwards single that got away from the outfielder to allow Maddie O'Sullivan to score Morgan's only run of the game. HK finishes the regular season at 18-2 while Morgan now is 4-15.

MR 0 0 1 0 0. 1/3/0

HK 0 5 8 2 X. 15/12/1

HK WP: Kaleigh Bodak and Maddy LaTouche. Morgan LP: Sarah Williams and Angelina Herbst

\*Records, HK 18-2. Morgan 4-15

\*at time of publication.

# Softball: HKHS Wins SLC Quarter Final 13-3 Against East Hampton

By Jeff Talbott, Coach

On Monday, May 23, the Haddam Killingworth High School Softball team defeated East Hampton 13-2 in the Shoreline Conference Quarter-final game.

Brooke Hickman got a save for relieving starter Kaleigh Bodak in the 4th and pitched 2 1/3 innings of no-hit no-run ball. In the 5th inning, Brooke launched a 3-run home run to help solidify the HK win. Eight HK batters

had at least 1 hit and 1 rbi. Olivia DeMartino had 2 hits for EH and scored 2 runs. HK is now 19-2 and while East Hampton falls to 8-12.

EH 0 0 1 1 0 0 1. 3/3/3

HK 0 2 3 1 7 0 X. 13/13/3

Batteries HK, Kaleigh Bodak, Brooke Hickman (4) and Maddy LaTouche and Nikki Hines (7). EH, Chelsea Woods, Erin Frost (5) and Emily Jovel

WP Bodak LP Woods

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