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21 Sports ... 1 Team ... WE ARE HOBART!

Welcome Back! I'm sure we're all exhausted after a full slate of school days this week. Our winter sports athletes added a full slate of contests on top of those school days! From gymnasts to cagers ... and grapplers to fish - it was nonstop action!! LET'S GO!!

As Marky Mark and the Funky Bunch might say ... "Yo, it's about that time ... to break forth the rhythm and the BricksCenter" ... huh? Maybe not, but hopefully just saying it gave you GOOD VIBRATIONS :)

Wrestling

In the wrestling world, a take down is worth 2 points and whenever they happen, our entire team says "twwoooo" ... well, this week it should've been "threeeeeee" because the Brickie grapplers hit the mat on Tuesday, Wednesday AND Saturday ... and OUR BOYS DID SHINE!

On Tuesday over at Griffith, Hobart won 7 out of 9 matches wrestled and won forfeits at the other 5 weight classes (106, 113, 160, 220, & 285) to thoroughly THUMP the Panthers by the final score of 62-

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Here are your winners:

Sophomore Cristian Padilla @ 120 lbs
 Junior Nathan Schammert @ 126 lbs
 Sophomore Conner Johnson @ 132 lbs
 Sophomore Ronald Lofton @ 138 lbs
 Junior Hayden Homoky @ 145 lbs
 Sophomore Cameron Smith @ 182 lbs
 Sophomore Bobby Babcock @ 195 lbs

On Wednesday at home on SENIOR NIGHT, the Brickies DOMINATED the visiting Lake Station Eagles and finished the season UNDEFEATED at home with a 66-14 victory!! Hobart won by fall in 8 weight classes (*6 of them in the 1st period) and by forfeit in 3 more (145, 152 and 195)!

These are the "fall" guys:

Freshman Ruben Padilla @ 106 lbs
 Sophomore Cristian Padilla @ 120 lbs
 Junior Nathan Schammert @ 126 lbs
 Sophomore Conner Johnson @ 132 lbs
 Freshman Jacob Simpson @ 160 lbs
 Sophomore Cameron Smith @ 182 lbs
 Junior Mark Mummey @ 220 lbs
 Junior Chad McLean @ 285 lbs

Seniors Jacob Vode, Tyler Hunter and Gabbie Cottrell were recognized prior to the start - THANK YOU for your dedication, time and hard WORK WORK WORK! We are very proud of you!

Hobart boasts a record of 15-1 in dual meets for the season ... including an undefeated mark of 5-0 in the Northwest Crossroads Conference!!

On Saturday, the Bricks traveled to Lowell for the NCC Championship meet. Entering the day UNDEFEATED in conference action, it was more of a CORONATION than a competition as our boys were MAGNIFICENT!! Hobart had 8 CHAMPIONS, 3 RUNNERS-UP and 3 3rd place finishers ... that's right - we put ALL 14 of our starters in the top 3 of EACH WEIGHT CLASS!!

Talk about a GREAT DAY TO BE A BRICKIE ... WOW!!

We all hear about teams that "repeat" or if you're a Chicago Bulls fan, they had two "3-peats" in the 90's ... this year marked a "5-peat" for Hobart Wrestling in the Northwest Crossroads Conference as the Brickies have won titles in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and now 2019!!

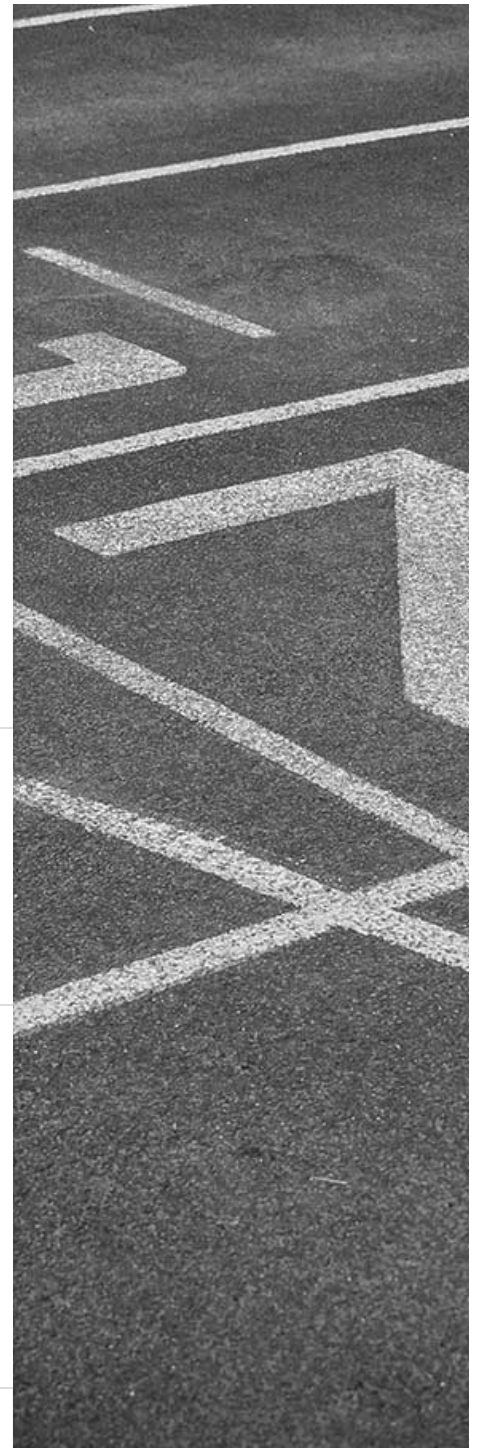
Here are the NCC results:

106 - freshman Ruben Padilla - CHAMPION
 113 - freshman Trevor Schammert - CHAMPION
 120 - sophomore Cristian Padilla - CHAMPION
 126 - junior Nathan Schammert - CHAMPION
 132 - sophomore Conner Johnson - 3rd place
 138 - freshman Dakota Vanderberg - 3rd place
 145 - junior Hayden Homoky - 3rd place
 152 - sophomore Tyler Turley - CHAMPION
 160 - freshman Jacob Simpson - CHAMPION
 170 - senior Jacob Vode - CHAMPION
 182 - sophomore Cameron Smith - 2nd place
 195 - sophomore Bobby Babcock - CHAMPION
 220 - junior Mark Mummey - 2nd place
 285 - junior Chad McLean - 2nd place

#BRICKRODE

#WEARETHECHAMPIONS





Check out a short video of SENIOR NIGHT!



Coach Jason Cook

Coach Jason Cook

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Senior Night Wednesday—thanks for four years to Tyler, Gabby, and Jacob
 #BrickVode Conference Saturday at Lowell at 9 AM—finals approx. 2 PM.
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2019 NCC CHAMPS



Check out the NWI Times article on the Bricks
CHAMPIONSHIP!



PREP WRESTLING: ... www.nwitimes.com

The Brickies won their fourth NCC wrestling title in the past five years. Hobart finished with 300 1/2 points to runner-up Lowell's 192.

Gymnastics

The gymnastics team has been hard at WORK WORK WORK since November 12th and FINALLY got a chance to compete this week with a home meet on Tuesday against defending state champion Chesterton and on Thursday on the road versus the Merrillville Lady Pirates. After 2 months of practice, the girls were hoping to vault into the season with some momentum!

Tuesday night, the Chesterton Lady Trojans visited the friendly city to do battle with our Lady Brickies. Understandably so, our girls were a bit nervous - not only was it the 1st meet of the year, but it was against the 2018 IHSA State Champions! Against the army of gymnasts the guests brought, our girls performed well posting a very respectable team score of 89.7!

Here's a breakdown of the individual places:

Junior Neely Harpp placed 3rd overall on the vault and 5th in the all-around with a 29.75
Junior Faith Scott scored a 5th on the vault and was 4th in the all-around with a 30.75
Junior Iyanna Steele finished 6th in the all-around competition with a 29.2

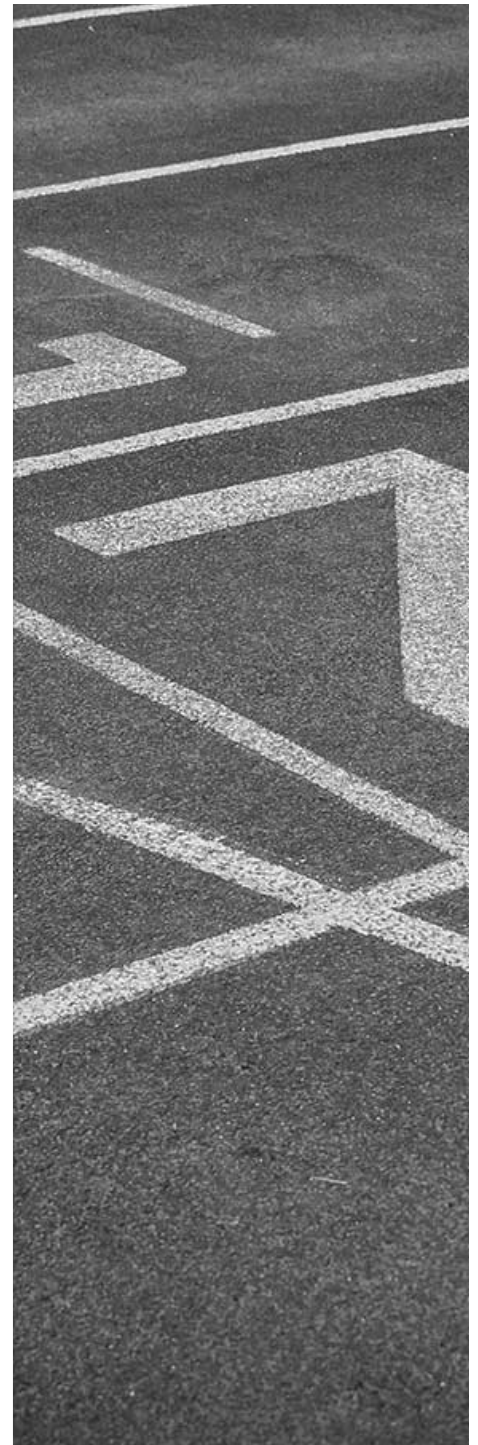
On Thursday, the Lady Brickies traveled to neighborhood rival Merrillville to compete against both the Lady Pirates and the Lowell Red Devils ... and in meet #2, they found some of that 1st week momentum they were looking for by posting a 92.6 team score - up almost 3 full points from Tuesday!! Our girls FOUGHT FOUGHT FOUGHT FOR EVERY SCORE and showed improvement across the board!

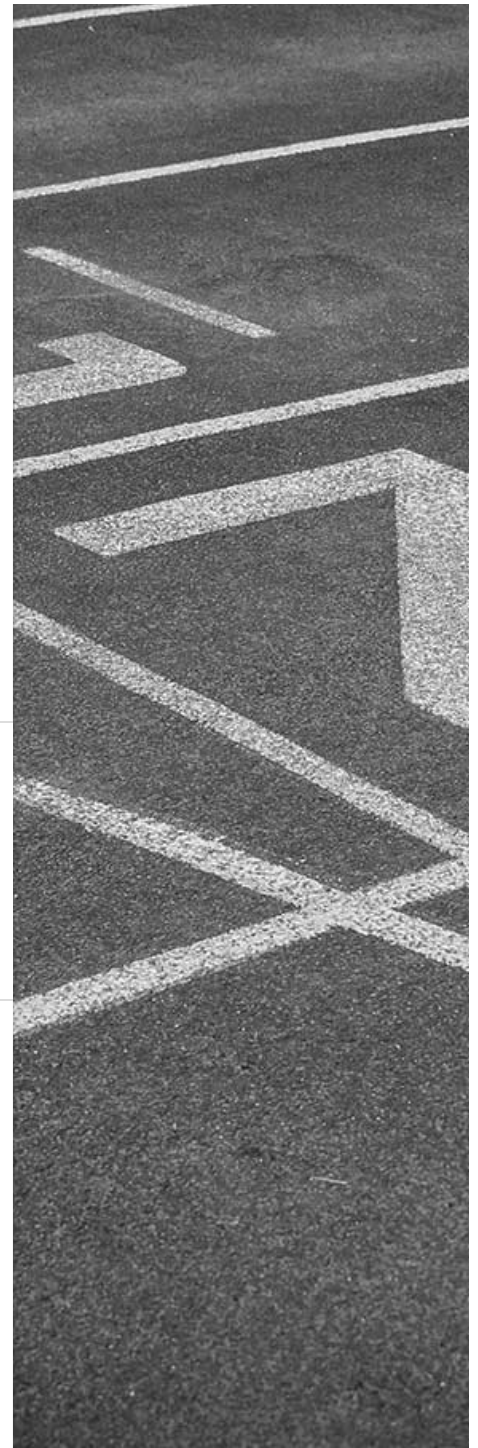
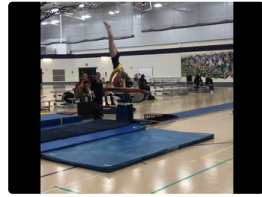
Individual places:

Junior Neely Harpp placed 3rd again on the vault and 5th all-around with a 31.05
Junior Iyanna Steele placed 4th on the vault and 6th all-around with a 30.15
Junior Faith Scott took 5th on floor and 3rd all-around with a 31.4

On the JV side of things - junior Skye Lipke placed on the vault at both meets along with sophomore teammate Nataly Ponce!

#STICKIT





Basketball

It was definitely a busy week on the hardwood as we got a "two-for-tuesday" with a varsity double-header vs. Chesterton ... and then a home girls NCC showdown against Lowell on Friday and a Hall of Fame recognition night during the boys battle on Saturday night with Class 4A #7 ranked Elkhart Memorial! Dribble-dribble-dribble ... shoot, shoot, shoot!

Girls

On Tuesday night, our Lady Brickies hosted the Chesterton Lady Trojans in an NCC-DAC battle. Hobart started strong in the 1st quarter, but struggled from the field and fell behind 16-5 after 8 minutes. The 2nd quarter was better from a defensive standpoint, but again the offensive woes of the Lady Brickies added up to a 28-10 halftime deficit. Coming out of the locker room, Chesterton's shooters found "the zone" as the Lady Trojans exploded for 31 points in the 3rd quarter and ended up leaving town with a lopsided 68-21 victory. In all, Chesterton made 12 3-pointers while the Lady Brickies never could find any rhythm. Senior Amaya Shinkle and junior Grace Nestich led Hobart with 4 pts each ... Nestich added a team-high 4 rebounds as well.

On Friday night, NCC rival Lowell traveled north on I-65 to take on the Lady Brickies. Early on, Hobart's offense had trouble finding gaps in the Lowell zone as the Devils jumped out to a 13-7 1st quarter lead. Once the 2nd quarter started, something happened ... the Lady Brickies seemed to calm down a bit and their execution improved ... all of a sudden our girls started finding the gaps in the zone, making the extra pass to an open teammate and finding the bottom of the net with their shots! GAME ON! The two teams went back-and-forth the rest of the way ... Hobart would make a run, then Lowell would answer ... Lowell would make a run, then Hobart would answer ... the competition was exciting! Unfortunately, it was Lowell who would make the last "run" and the Devils were able to out-last Hobart and secure a 57-46 win in conference action. Junior Gabbie Ramirez notched a double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds ... sophomore teammate Lexi Williams also finished in double-figures by scoring 11 points.

Trying to put together 32 minutes has continued to be the ultimate challenge for our girls ... they have BATTLED HARD and continued to show PEAKS at certain times in games this season. With 4 games left, there is STILL TIME to put it together before sectional play begins ... with the right EFFORT and ATTITUDE, anything is possible for these ladies!!

#STAYTHECOURSE

Boys

NWI Times #4 ranked Chesterton presented a formidable challenge on Tuesday night in our boys 1st game since winning the Hoosier Gym Classic Holiday Tournament over break. It seemed that the Trojans were bigger at EVERY POSITION, but this group of Brickies COMPETES for EVERYTHING and they didn't back down for 1 possession. All 4 quarters were a BATTLE, but Chesterton was able to gain a slight advantage little by little ... winning each quarter by 4-6 points as Hobart struggled shooting from the field and eventually earning a hard fought victory by the score of 57-37. The game was much more competitive than the final score as this young group of Brickies continues to show GROWTH on a weekly basis! Junior Caleb Banjoff led Hobart with 13 points and 4 rebounds. Sophomore Cameron Stojancevich corralled a team-high 5 rebounds and junior Trevor Underdahl tallied 6 points, 4 rebounds and 2 blocks.

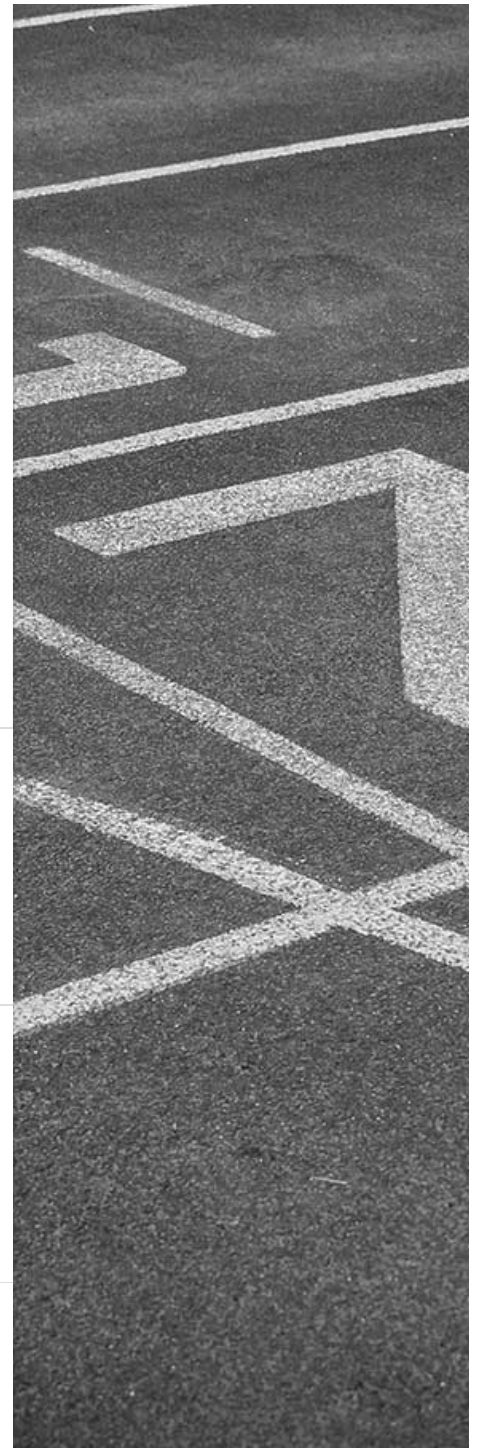
On Saturday night, "short-handed" was an understatement as the Brickies took on Class 4A #7 ranked Elkhart Memorial. Hobart was without 2 starters - sophomore Riley Johnston and freshman Anthony Williams were both out with injuries ... and junior returning letter-winner Tyler Schultz continues to miss time due to illness. With teammates out, it was an opportunity for others to STEP-UP and take hold of the reigns ... and that they did!!

In a game that was all over the place ... Elkhart dominated the 1st half and led 49-24 ... this scrappy group NEVER QUIT and in battling to the final buzzer, ended up playing a top ten team in the state TOUGH - winning the 2nd half by 11 points! Ultimately, the Brickies fell 79-65, but WHAT AN EFFORT!

Despite the two losses this week vs. ranked opponents, the improvement our boys have made since November is TANGIBLE and with only 1 senior - this youth movement could be FUN!

#MAKETHEM BELIEVE





Swimming

The top ranked Munster Mustangs paddled to town on Tuesday night for an NCC swimdown! With both programs UNDEFEATED in Northwest Crossroads action, this was a battle for the conference lead going into the last weeks of the season!

Girls

For only the 2nd time all season, our girls met their match against the Mustangs. After racing through the season to a 9-1 record ... the Lady Brickies just couldn't keep up as Munster won ALL but 2 races on the night and left town with a 130-56 win. Sophomore sensation Emma Wright was able to win both the 50 and 100 Free for Hobart. **In winning both events, Emma also set a new pool AND school record with a blazing time of 23.96 in the 50 and a 51.72 in the 100!!** Munster may have won on the scoreboard, but Emma stole the show!

Here are your top finishers for the girls:

1st Place -

50 Free - sophomore Emma Wright ***New Pool AND School Record!!**

100 Free - sophomore Emma Wright ***New Pool AND School Record!!**

2nd place -

200 Free Relay - junior Becky Lozano, freshman Morgan Sanchez and sophomore teammates Delaney O'Brien and Emma Wright

100 Breast - sophomore Ana Tepavceвич

400 Free - junior Becky Lozano and sophomore classmates Delaney O'Brien, Ana Tepavceвич and Emma Wright

3rd place -

200 Medley Relay - senior Nina Rucinski, sophomore Julie Hunt, and freshmen Morgan Sanchez and Paige Solivais

200 Free - junior Becky Lozano

Diving - sophomore Alivia Ahner *1st loss in a dual meet this season

100 Fly - junior Becky Lozano

100 Free - sophomore Delaney O'Brien

100 Back - sophomore Delaney O'Brien

Currently 9-2, our girls have 2 regular season meets remaining before the sectional

#GIRLPOWER

Boys

The Mustangs definitely brought their A-game to Hobart on Tuesday as they handed our boys just their 3rd loss of the season by the score of 113-69. The Brickies swam well and were able to take 1st place in 7 of the 12 events, but Munster's DEPTH was too much to overcome.

Junior Nathan Wright joined his sister in winning both the 50 and 100 freestyle races and swam a leg on Hobart's winning 200 freestyle relay team along with senior teammates Wyatt Decanter, Taylor Walker and Luke Tilford.

Here are your top finishers for boys:

1st place -

50 Free - junior Nathan Wright

100 Fly - senior Taylor Walker

100 Free - junior Nathan Wright

500 Free - senior Luke Tilford

200 Free Relay - junior Nathan Wright and senior teammates Wyatt Decanter, Taylor Walker and Luke Tilford

100 Back - senior Brad Goblen

2nd place -

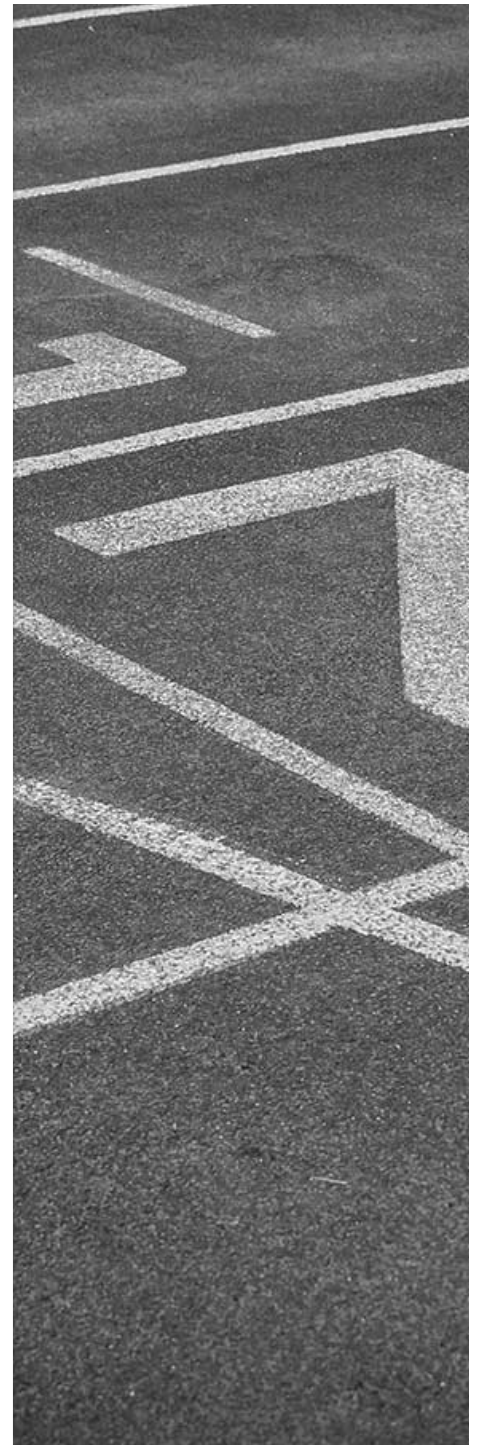
200 Free - senior Taylor Walker

3rd place -

200 Medley Relay - freshman Jeydan Fifer, sophomore Chad Tomaga, and seniors Brad Goblen and Miguel Castillo

Diving

The Hobart divers once again brought out the brooms for a SWEEP of the top 3 spots! Freshman Ethan Ferba took 1st with a score of 202.80 - his 2nd consecutive score over the 200 mark! Fellow



freshman Hayden Maggio placed 2nd and sophomore Chad Tomaga finished in 3rd.

At 6-3, our boys have 3 meets remaining before sectionals begin

#FINISHSTRONG

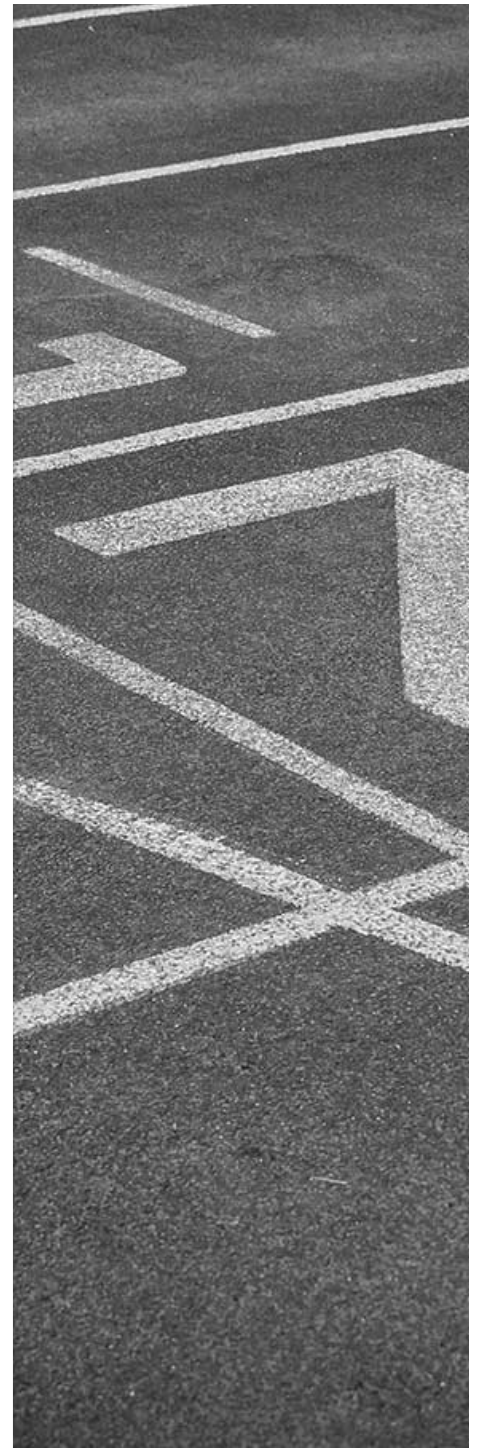


Sophomore Emma Wright with new school and pool records in both the 50 and 100 freestyle!



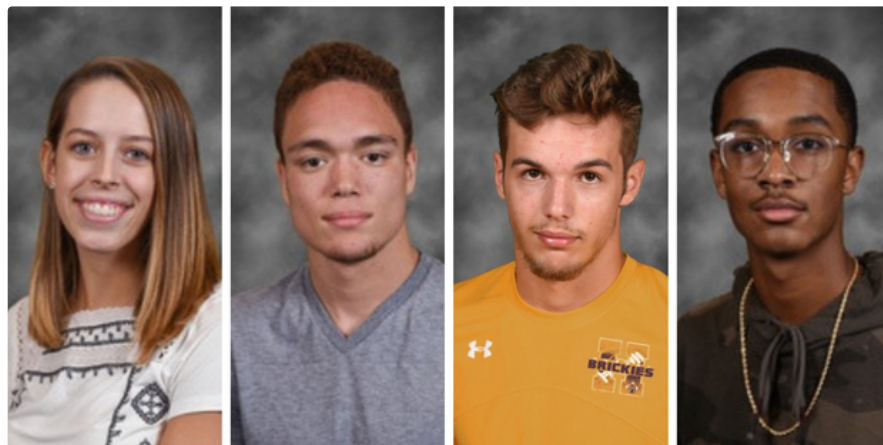
Athletes of the Month - DECEMBER

CONGRATULATIONS to our December Athletes of the Month! Thank you to our coaching staffs for all of the nominations and to our athletes for all of your outstanding performances!



Samantha Vode - Girls Basketball
Nathan Wright - Boys Swimming
Bobby Babcock - Wrestling
David Brown - Boys Basketball

#BRICKIEUP



Hall of Fame

At halftime of Saturday night's varsity boys basketball game against Elkhart Memorial, the Hall of Fame committee inducted two new members ... Colonel Willie Berris ('85) and Tom Kurth ('54). Unfortunately, due to some recent health issues, Tom was unable to make the trip from Elkhart ... so his son, Frank Kurth (named after his Grandpa just like our fieldhouse) and his son Tommy (named after his Grandpa and our inductee) came "home" to accept the recognition on his behalf.

It was a GREAT night to recognize some OUTSTANDING BRICKIES and continue connecting the present to our decorated past!

Special thanks goes out to our Hall of Fame committee members for all of their hard work and dedication to honoring Hobart's rich athletic tradition:

Don Rogers, Tim O'Brien, Dugo Kozyra, Don Hancock, Bob Glover, Tom Kerr + former members Jerry Hicks and Sherry Williams

#ALLMYLIFE



2019 Inductee Colonel Willie Berris ('85) and Frank Kurth, accepting on behalf of his father Inductee Tom Kurth ('54)



Sports Schedule This Week

Monday

No events scheduled

Tuesday

- Girls Basketball vs. Merrillville
- Girls Swimming @ Lowell *
- Boys Swimming @ Lowell *

Wednesday

Boys Basketball @ Hammond Clark

Thursday

- Girls Basketball vs. West Side (Senior Night)
- Girls Swimming vs. Calumet/Hammond Gavit (Senior Night)
- Boys Swimming vs. Calumet/Hammond Gavit (Senior Night)
- 9th Boys Basketball @ Andean *

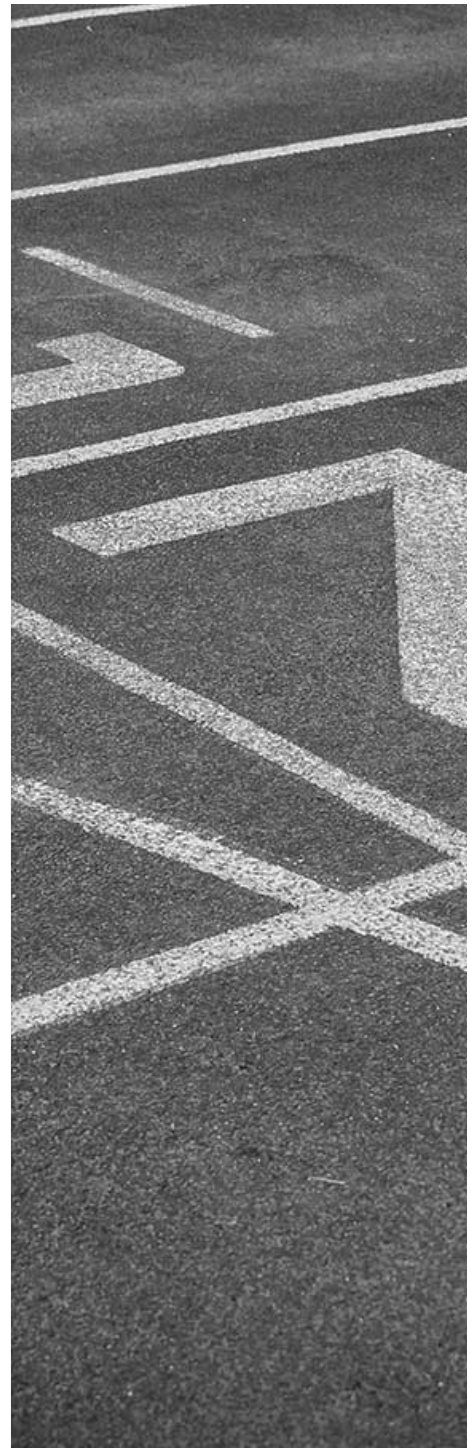
Friday

No Events Scheduled

Saturday

- Wrestling - Hobart Invite
- Boys Basketball @ Munster *
- 9th Boys Basketball vs. LaPorte

* = NCC Opponent





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