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#21sports1team ... WE ARE HOBART!

"Hot Hot Hot" was a song released by American singer Buster Poindexter in 1987 and seems to perfectly describe the past 7 days in H-town. In fact, you could argue that temps more closely resembled the surface of the sun as opposed to the "219". Ok, maybe that was a bit extreme, but so was the heat!

Due to extreme temperatures, the Brickies did not compete Tuesday or Wednesday ... and were only able to do so safely on Thursday through Saturday by taking extra precautions. It was HOT HOT HOT out there!

Make certain the air conditioning is ON ... it's time for *BricksCenter!*

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Soccer

Girls

The Lady Brickies only had 1 contest on the schedule this past week ... a home game against Michigan City on Wednesday. Due to the extreme heat, this one was postponed until Thursday, September 16th. Our girls will put their 1-1 record on the line this week as they run the gauntlet of 3 games in 4 days ... Griffith on Monday, Munster on Tuesday, and Illiana Christian on Thursday. GOOD LUCK LADIES! WE GOT THIS!!

Boys

The Brickie futbol team was supposed to play Hammond Central on Tuesday, but crazy temps caused a postponement until September 20th. Hopefully this heat wave will be under control by then :).

On Saturday, our boys SHINED down at Boone Grove against the host Wolves who entered the contest with a record of 2-1 on the season! In a competitive 1st half of play, each team found the back of the net once and went into the locker room tied at 1-1. The 2nd 40 minutes of play was INTENSE ... partly because the heat index inched closer to 100, but also because the Brickies and Wolves were giving it EVERYTHING THEY HAD! Both teams added a 2nd goal, but neither was able to gain an advantage in the highly competitive match-up and the game ended in a 2-2 tie. Junior **Jacob Duggins** and sophomore **Carson Bell** each scored goals for Hobart ... sophomore **Liam Deel** recorded an assist and classmate **Parker Glass** registered 5 saves on the day.

The tie puts the Brickies at 1-0-2 on the young season. Hobart will return home this week to the *friendly confines* of The Brickyard as they open up NCC play against Munster on Wednesday and welcome Michigan City on Saturday. LET'S GOOOOOOO!!

#WEAREONE



Boys Tennis

The Hobart racketeers were scheduled to travel North to Hammond Academy on Wednesday, but super hot conditions forced a cancellation. No date has been set for a reschedule yet.

Thursday, the Brickie boyz opened up the NCC slate on the road at Kankakee Valley. Playing away from home for the 1st time this fall, Hobart BATTLED HARD against the host Kougars! Senior **Ethan Cover** at #1 singles and the dynamic duo of senior **Ethan Ferba** & junior **Cam Gonzalez** at #1 doubles all played into a 3rd set tie-breaker before running out of steam. Hobart played point to point against one of the top teams in the conference, but ultimately fell short and lost a tough match. Coach Walsh said, *"We had a tough loss but it was such a close match!"*.

Hobart is 0-2 so far this fall and 0-1 in NCC action. This group is still finding their footing as they look to replace 5 seniors who graduated last spring, but they are showing MARKED IMPROVEMENT each time out! No doubt that consistent improvement and a lot of WORK WORK WORK could make this crew DANGEROUS when the post-season rolls around! LET'S GO BRICKS!!

#SERVINGNOTICE



Volleyball

After finishing Runner-Up at our own Invite last Saturday, Hobart went back to WORK WORK WORK right out of the gate this past week!

On Monday, the Lady Brickies squared off with neighborhood rival River Forest for the 2nd time in 3 days. In the first meeting ... during pool play at the 43rd Annual Hobart Invite last week, our girls earned a HARD FOUGHT, COME FROM BEHIND victory to advance to the championship match against Marquette. You knew the rematch would be INTENSE.

In a back-and-forth 1st game, the Lady Ingots got the upper hand and won a close one 25-22. The 2nd game featured more of the same competitive fire and RF won again by the same score, 25-22. At this point, the Lady Brickies found themselves in familiar territory ... trailing the Ingots and needing to rally to keep the match going. RALLY THEY DID!!! Hobart DID NOT GO GENTLE INTO THAT GOOD NIGHT ... our girls RAGED and RALLIED for an INCREDIBLE 25-23 win in game #3! Still a game away from defeat, the Lady Brickies RAGED AGAIN and RALLIED for a 25-21 victory!! WHAT A COMEBACK!! Hobart had come all the way back from down 2-0 to tie things up at 2-2 ... which meant all those in attendance got a 5th set tie-breaker! Sadly, the Ingots were able to regroup to earn a 15-10 decision in the 5th and deciding game.

What a match ... what an INCREDIBLE EFFORT by our girls to fight all the way back. Even though the rally came up just short on the scoreboard, the Lady Brickies showed an enormous amount of DETERMINATION and BRICKIE PRIDE and will be a better team down the road because of this experience.

Tuesday, the gymnasium at Wheeler High School was better suited to serve as an oven than a competition venue. No AC for the Bearcats meant no game for the Lady Brickies thanks to extreme heat outside.

On Thursday, Hobart was scheduled to open NCC play at Highland. This one was postponed to Saturday, September 25th due to the tragic death of a recent Highland graduate. Our condolences and prayers go out to the family of the deceased and entire Highland Trojan nation.

#CANYOUDIGIT



Football

In the immortal words of Hank Williams Jr., "Are you ready for some FOOTBALL????"

The IHSAA Class 4A #11-ranked Brickies faced the IHSAA Class 6A #4-ranked Pirates at Demaree Stadium on Friday night. Two region heavyweights battling it out on the gridiron and it was HOT out there!

The 1st quarter belonged to Merrillville as the Pirates hit paydirt on their first two possessions to take a 14-0 lead. Early in the 2nd quarter, it looked like the hosts might run away from the Brickies as they scored a 3rd touchdown to take a commanding 21-0 lead with 11 minutes remaining in the half. Well ... HERE COME THE BRICKS!! When Hobart got the ball back, junior **Trey Gibson** found some running room and scampered around the outside for a long gain! Then it was freshman **Noah Ehrlich** connecting with junior receiver **Cody Johnston** for another long gain to get the Brickies inside the 10 yard line!! A few plays later, Gibson ran it in behind a HUGE push from the Hobart O-line! When senior **Miki Djankovich** sent the extra point through the uprights, it was 21-7. Unfortunately, that was as

Make no mistake, the Pirates are really good, but this game was much more competitive than the final margin on the scoreboard. The Brickies played HARD for 48 minutes and gave an EFFORT we can all be VERY PROUD of. The 2-time defending IHSAA Regional Champion Pirates are a legit contender to reach Indy AGAIN this year on Thanksgiving weekend in Indiana's largest class. As much as we all wanted a win on Friday, this loss will help our boys continue improving and building towards something special. The goal remains the same ... to PLAY 15 ... and lessons learned on Friday will serve the Brickies well in October & November.

Next Friday Hobart travels to The Boneyard to square off with rival Griffith.
WEEEEEEEE ... WE BELIEEEEEEEEEVE ... WE BELIEVE THAAAAAAT ... you know the rest :)

#PLAY15



Girls Golf

"Stop thinking, let things happen, and be the ball." Ty Webb

be made up at a later date.

Hobart will be back into the *swing* of things Monday as our girls host Wheeler and Calumet.

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Cross Country

The Brickies were originally scheduled to visit Sunset Hill Farm in Valparaiso on Tuesday for the Valparaiso High School Jamboree. The Vikings canceled the event on account of the spiking heat index, which left our harriers without a competition for the week. Fortunately HHS has air conditioning in the Frank Kurth Field House and an Aquatic Center that's not too shabby ... so our kids were still able to get some WORK WORK WORK done!

Next Tuesday Hobart hosts the 81st Annual HOBART INVITE at Big Maple Lake County Park. Four score and 1 year ago, then-head coach Frank Kurth started one of the longest *running* events in the entire state! WE ARE HOBART!!

#PRIDE&TRADITION

Big Maple Lake County Park, 7302 Ainsworth Road





THANK YOU

The HHS Athletic Department would like to say THANK YOU to all who donated to, contributed for, and participated in our 1st Charity Bingo Night at the Moose Lodge! WHAT A NIGHT!! Funds raised will help support all 21 sports in H-town!! Special thanks to the Loyal Order of Moose for the invitation to partner for this event and to all coaches, booster clubs, parents and local businesses who helped make it happen!! We are already looking forward to next year!!

#BRICKIESTRONG



Sports Schedule This Week

Monday

Girls Soccer vs. Griffith (Varsity only - 6pm)

Girls Golf vs. Wheeler/Calumet

Boys Cross Country @ Hobart Invite
Girls Golf vs. Munster *
Boys Tennis vs. Lowell *
Volleyball @ KV *
Girls Soccer @ Munster *

Wednesday

Boys Soccer vs. Munster *
Volleyball @ Merrillville
Boys Tennis @ Valparaiso

Thursday

Girls Soccer @ Illiana Christian
Boys Tennis vs. Hammond Central

Friday

Football @ Griffith

Saturday

Boys Soccer vs. Michigan City
Boys Tennis @ New Prairie Invitational
JV Football vs. Griffith


* = NCC Opponent



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