

**A-B blanks Westford**

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If a team has one prolific goal-scorer, the opposition can stop that player.

If a team has several go-to players, defending them is a little more challenging.

This fall, every team that faces the Acton-Boxborough girls soccer team is going to have that challenge.

"They always have people willing and able to fill in," said Westford Academy coach Tracy Capone, whose team lost to the Colonials, 5-0 on Saturday at Leary Field. "They have so much depth."

The Grey Ghosts held A-B to one goal in the first half, which freshman Marie Margolius scored on a shot from outside the penalty area that hit the inside of the right post and bounced into the net in the 24<sup>th</sup> minute.

In the second half, A-B (2-0, 1-0 in the Dual County League) found the net four times, with sophomore Hayley Brock scoring on three occasions.

Less than two minutes into the second half, Westford goalie AJ Millet was shaken up and had to leave the game briefly. Lauren Brewer filled in for Millet for two minutes and made two saves. After Brock netted her first goal at 4:03 of the second half, Millet returned to the goal and made three more saves (She finished the game with 12 total).

Brock added two more goals at 7:23 and 26:14 to complete the hat trick.

"I was just in the right place and a little lucky," said Brock. "Westford is a big rival of ours and they have a very good goalie so this felt good."

Junior Cassie Wagner, the two-time Dual County League scoring leader, wrapped up the scoring at 35:07. She also assisted on two goals. Lindsay Raymond also picked up two assists. Kristen McGahan and Jen Brogie also assisted on goals.

"They make my job easy," said A-B coach Ru Sweeney, who has guided the Colonials to the last two DCL titles. "They're rein it for each other. If one comes off and the person who came in for them scores, they're happier for them than if they scored themselves."

Westford placed four shots in net and its best chance came with just over three minutes left to play, when Kaitlyn Ruggiero had a shot to the middle of the net that bounced off the crossbar.

"The last 10 minutes, we had more opportunities than the rest of the game combined," said Capone, whose team dropped to 1-1.