

## SCHOOL ROUNDUP

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**Acton-Boxboro takes tumble out on Boston Latin**

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**It's tough being No. 1.**

Just last week, the Acton-Boxboro girls were ranked No. 1 in the nation by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. But after a 1-1 tie with Newton South last week, Acton-Boxboro's stay at the top was a short one, as it dropped it No. 3.

The Colonials regrouped with back-to-back 1-0 victories over Lincoln-Sudbury and Concord-Carlisle, then, yesterday, ran over Boston Latin, 6-0, behind three goals from senior Lindsay Raymond.

"Losing the ranking hasn't put a fire under them, but it's put passion back into their game," said Acton-Boxboro coach Ruairi Sweeney. "We were struggling a little bit up until Newton South, and the last three games have been our best of the year."

In scoring her first career hat trick, Raymond registered the game's second goal off a direct kick from 30 yards, with her other goals also coming off shots from outside the 18-yard box.

"[Raymond's] been lethal all year with outside shots, so I give her the go-ahead to put 'em on target," said Sweeney. "She's got such a hard shot, it went right through the goalie's hands."

Three straight shutouts would be something to talk about for most teams, but not A-B: The defense, led by Monica Jensen, Kristen Gargiulo, and Tricia Giglio, has given up just three goals all year.

"We were trying to live up to the ranking almost all season," said Sweeney, "and now we can just focus on playing soccer."

**EIL:** Jackie Lee scored all four goals for Pingree in its 4-1 win over Newton Country Day.

**Dual County:** Junior Britt Moorman scored two goals and sophomore Kate Sisk added a goal and two assists as Lincoln-Sudbury recorded its 10th shutout of the season in a 5-0 win over Weston.

**Northeastern:** Danvers locked up its fifth straight conference title with a 4-0 win over Saugus, getting two goals and an assist from senior Ashley Sullivan.

**Boys' soccer**

**Catholic Central:** Brian Sanz tallied four goals and three assists in Marian's 8-1 win over Austin Prep . . . Hector Eslidora contributed two goals as Lowell Catholic defeated Matignon, 5-2 . . . Brian McConnell saved two penalty kicks in Bishop Fenwick's 1-0 win over Archbishop Williams.

**South Coast:** Bourne locked up a spot in the state tournament with a 3-0 win over Case. Tim Parsons, who netted a hat trick, scored all five of Bourne's goals in two wins this week . . . Keith Rose scored his 20th goal of the season for Dighton-Rehoboth in a 3-1 win over Apponequet.

**Volleyball**

**South Coast:** Senior Courtney Faria helped Bourne beat Case, 3-0, with 7 aces, 11 assists, 3 blocks, and 4 kills.

**Nonleague:** Barnstable handed Westborough its first loss of the season, 3-1, behind 44 combined kills from senior Kara Cullen and junior Stephanie Bristol.

**Field hockey**

**Atlantic Coast:** Falmouth clinched the league title with a 4-1 win over Nauset, getting one goal each from twins Corey and Kelsey Rigby and two scores from sophomore Virgyna Mumo.

**Cape Ann:** Lauren Gaffny scored two goals, giving her 31 for the season, in North Andover's 4-0 win over Masconomet.