

Andover Youth Soccer

Third & Fourth Grade Girls Soccer By Todd Donovan

Low humidity, changing leaf colors, cool temperatures, and of course soccer are all signals that fall is in the air. "It is exciting to watch the third and fourth grade girls' Andover Youth Soccer Team, and today was no exception, with 11 girls taking the field this year," remarked Nicole Donovan, the coach for this year's team. The team is a mixture of veterans and rookies, but all have great enthusiasm and a willingness to learn.

With five practices under their belts, the girls took to the field in Bow on Saturday, September 15, for their first game. After five failed attempts on Bow's goal, the offense tuned up their performance and made the necessary adjustments. Andover's Taylor Methven and Lauren Boisvert each scored one goal within a two-minute time frame.

"I was ecstatic that all the girls were in position to help score, and on defense, everyone did a good job of clearing the ball," exclaimed Nicole.

Bow however decided they had had enough and scored two in the third quarter to tie the game up. Bow also scored early in the fourth to take the lead. "Bow kept turning up the heat on our defense. It was only a matter of time before they scored," remarked Nicole. But with a few minutes left in the game, Andover's offense rallied to score and tie the game. The game ended as a 3-3 tie.

"This is my first year coaching girls' soccer, and I was extremely nervous in preparation for our first game, but now we are all pumped for the next game! What a great group of girls," Nicole said.

Team Members

- Katelyn Barton
- Colby Benoit
- Lauren Boisvert
- Emma Davis
- Mackenzie Donovan
- Kaitlyn French
- Danika Kolesar
- Elizabeth Labrie
- Cope Makechnie
- Taylor Methven
- Chloe Methven
- Coach Nicole Donovan

Fifth & Sixth Grade Girls Soccer By Erin Hanscom

Our fifth and sixth grade girls soccer team is having a great time. We are not winning all our games, but we are having fun and learning to work together.

The first game was in Boscawen on a hot afternoon. It was hard work running back and forth in the heat. Our teams were evenly matched. We lost 8-7.

We played New London #1 at Blackwater Field next. They were mostly sixth graders, but we still managed to keep them from scoring a lot of goals. It rained hard for most of the game, and we all got soaked! The raindrops in our eyes made it hard to see, and water squished in our socks. But we kept playing and lost 8-2.

Our third game was against New London #2. They were about the same size as us, and we won by a score of 5-1. This game was the most fun to play.

We are learning to dribble the ball better, control our passes, and stay in our positions. Kelsey Allen's mom and dad are helping my dad coach. We are having fun!

Fifth & Sixth Grade Coed Soccer By Heidi Terwilliger

The fifth and sixth grade boys soccer team was looking a little thin, with only five boys signing up. In order to have enough players, some of the sixth grade girls joined so a team could be put together. The team members are Haley Adams, Sam Bentley, Erin Frost, Jake Hubbard, Emily Lance, Monica Newton, Skyler Smith, Brooke Ellis, Amber Grant, Maddie Trefethen, Thaddeus Bicknell, Austin Hawks, and Nicholas Terwilliger, with Leighton Terwilliger and Cathy Ellis as coaches.

The team had a great start, with a win against Penacook 9-4, and they tied 5-5 in game two against Sunapee #1.

Their next two games ended up with Andover losing 9-3 against Bradford-Newbury-Sutton and 5-2 against New London. They also played a makeup game due to rain against Salisbury-Webster and won it with a final score of 6-4. They have five more games to play in the regular season, and then it is off to the tournament on October 13.



On September 14, Andover Middle School Girls Soccer played Kearsarge Regional Middle School during AE/MS Homecoming. Michaela Trefethen (l) waits for Ashley Fife to control the ball. Maddy Pfeifer is barely visible behind Ashley.
Photo: Alan Hanscom

AE/MS Bands

By Paul Hubert AE/MS Band Director

The new school year is off and running and so is your Andover Elementary/Middle School Band program. The Advanced and Intermediate Bands are already in rehearsal and busy cooking up instrumental selections for Veteran's Day and for the Winter Concert on December 6 (snow date: December 13).

The Advanced Band is starting off working on an arrangement of Tchaikovsky's *1812 Overture*, written in 1880 to commemorate the spirit of the Russian people in not submitting to the overwhelming attack in 1812 by Napoleon's army of 100,000. The Russian people refused to be beaten, and sent Napoleon and his huge army home to France in shambles.

Also on the program are George M. Cohan's *You're a Grand Old Flag*, and *Furioso* by Robert W. Smith. Smith was also the composer of *The Tempest*, performed two years ago and much enjoyed by the players at the time.

Personnel for the 2007-08 AE/MS Advanced band are:

- Flutes – Megan Hanscom, Michaela Trefethen, Haley Adams
- Clarinets – Skyler Smith, Rebekah Stearns (Alto), Emily Lance, Brittany Underhill
- Saxes – Brendan Coll, Brooke Ellis (Tenor), and Maddie Trefethen
- Trumpets – Jesse Coffey, Ben Cox, Katelyn Ashburn
- Trombone – Shrief Elmasy
- Percussion; Andrew Young, Joey Rego, Madison Powers, Monica Newton.

Rehearsals for Advanced Band are on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

This will be the second year at AE/MS for our Intermediate Band. They rehearse at the end of the day on Thursdays. Although some of these students have plans to challenge their way up into Advanced, the current roster is:

- Clarinets – Erin Hanscom, Alyson Mullett, Hannah Munson, Bailey

"Students of the arts continue to outperform their non-arts peers on the SAT, according to reports by the College Entrance Examination Board. In 2006, SAT takers with coursework/experience in music performance scored 57 points higher on the verbal portion of the test and 43 points higher on the math portion than students with no coursework or experience in the arts. Scores for those with coursework in music appreciation were 62 points higher on the verbal and 41 points higher on the math portion."
– *Profile of College-Bound Seniors National Report for 2006*

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Powers

- Saxes – Austin Hawks, Nicholas Terwilliger
- Trumpets – Vincent Bolte, Daisy Elwell
- Baritone Horn – Alicia Barry
- Orchestra Bells – Eli Shedd (doubling on percussion)
- Percussion; Sam Barrett, Robyn Boisvert, Jeffery Bates.

Intermediate Band is rehearsing *BB's First Blues* by Nicholas Forte and holiday favorites such as *Feliz Navidad*, *Up On The Housetop*, and *Winter Wonderland*.

The fourth graders are reviewing the instruments of the band in music class. They will have an instrument demonstration on September 24 and a rental night at 6 PM on October 1. Fourth graders choosing to participate will form this year's Beginner Band and begin lessons and rehearsals in October.

We have a great bunch of students, a lot of talent, and energy to spare. We all look forward to a spectacular year and hope to see you at all of our concerts.

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