

1975

LACROSSE

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

EsMass Tourney

at Brandeis

Semifinals

Concord-Carlisle 8 Newton North 5
Framingham No. 9

..... Lincoln-Sudbury 2

Summaries

Score by Periods

Concord-Carlisle	2	2	2	2-8
Newton North	0	1	2	2-5

GOALS—Concord-Carlisle: John Fay (4), Burke Bero (2) Garnett Glover, Dan Bartocchi; Newton North: Bussy Adam (4), Mark Marini.

Assists—Concord-Carlisle: John Fay, Bill Mattison and Drew Thwaits.

SCORE BY PERIODS

Framingham North	2	2	3	2-9
Lincoln-Sudbury	1	0	0	1-2

Goals—Framingham North: Steve St. Martin (3), James Egasti (3), Kevin Allen, Joe Ferraro, Ray Bird; Lincoln-Sudbury: Mike Downing, Brad Mitchell.

Assists—Framingham North: James Egasti (3), Steve St. Martin. Lincoln-Sudbury Brad Mitchell.

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Framingham No. scores lacrosse upset

By Kevin Dupont
Special to The Globe

The chance of a Hatfield-McCoy style Eastern Mass. lacrosse championship dissolved in the rain at Brandeis yesterday. Neighbors Concord-Carlisle and Lincoln-Sudbury will not be firing the buckshot in this year's final. Instead, it will be a Concord-Carlisle vs. Framingham North feud.

Ed Kavanagh's Framingham Spartans scored in the first 30 seconds of play and went on to demolish last year's champ, Lincoln-Sudbury, 9-2. And Concord-Carlisle erased a strong Newton North club, 8-5.

Senior attacker Steven St. Martin opened the Framingham North scoring. He took a feed from James Egasti, who later had three goals, and rifled in a 20-footer.

Both teams traded goals to end the first period with the Spartans up, 2-1. Then St. Martin and the skies really

opened up. Through a driving rain, St. Martin skipped by the defense for two quick goals early in the second period.

When the skies finally began to clear, the season was over for L-S. Newton slipped and slid for another five goals before L-S finally tallied in the fourth period.

Concord-Carlisle's win over Newton North was not quite as easy, though it looked simple enough early in the third quarter. John Fay, C-C's sophomore artful dodger, popped in a 15-footer for his third goal early in the second half. C-C had the lead, 5-1, and the final looked like a bus ride back to Brandeis.

But Bussy Adam, Newton's senior captain had other ideas. Early in the final quarter, Adam had brought the C-C lead down to 6-5 with his three goals, along with one by Mark Marini.

That was as close as Newton came. Burke Bero and Fay each picked up tallies after that flourish and C-C entered the final with its 8-5 victory.

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It's too late for Concord-Carlisle goalie Doug White and Steve Reider (11), Framingham North's winning

(4-3) goal is already in net to clinch EsMass lacrosse crown. Story, Page 30. (William Curtis photo)



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By John Ahern
Globe Staff

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As an example of this, at the end of the half in what supposedly is a high-scoring exercise, Concord-Carlisle led, 1-0, and the experts were thumbing the books to see if that had happened before and there was speculation that this could be the lowest scoring game in the brief history of the championship.

They were right on that count.

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and earn the right to meet Longmeadow in the state final tomorrow at Brandeis, 2 p.m.

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The blitz was launched by attackman Joe Ferraro, a senior. He was right in front of the net where he took a pass from Steve Kasanoff and slammed it past Doug White, who had been impregnable until then. That made it 1-1, making up for C-C's second period score by Burke Bero, who beat North's Tom Ferraro, the game's outstanding player.

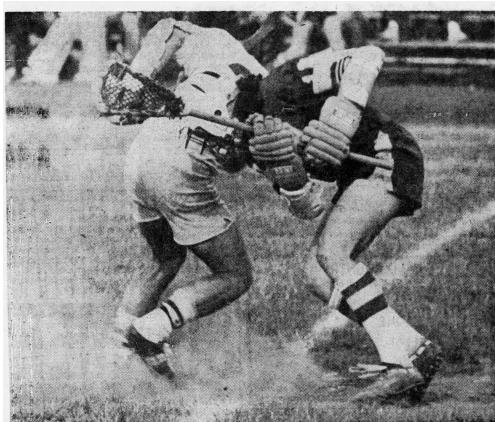
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But the hero of the day was Ferraro in the Framingham net. He saved the game with a dozen brilliant stops in the first period and then, with the pressure on in the last three minutes, he had eight more saves. For the day he had 29 and most of them were saves, not stops. In contrast, Doug White had only 14, which indicated the difference in offensive strength.

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School lacrosse coach likes Bolts, but . . .

By Neil Sirigela
Globe Staff

One would expect that the debut of the Boston Bolts would stimulate interest in lacrosse on the high school level, but Brookline High lacrosse coach Bill Robinson says he isn't too sure how he or other school officials will accept the pro-style lacrosse.

"Those people are trying to sell tickets by playing up the blood and violence that goes with making it the toughest sport," Robinson pointed out.

"We've already had enough of that kind of violence in pro hockey," Robinson noted. "Still, many schoolboy players have imitated the pro players, dropping their gloves at the slightest provocation to square off in a fight."

Otherwise, Robinson welcomes the arrival of the Bolts.

"The presence of the Bolts here will increase the visibility of lacrosse, even though its format differs considerably from that played by the high school kids," he said.

"Once the people are lured into the Garden to see the Bolts play, they'll discover the sport isn't all that violent. And they'll learn to appreciate the finesse, and the skill that sometimes sees an execution of five passes prior to a goal being scored. They'll be thrilled by it."

Robinson pointed out that the pros play box la-

crosse in contrast to the amateurs who compete in field lacrosse.

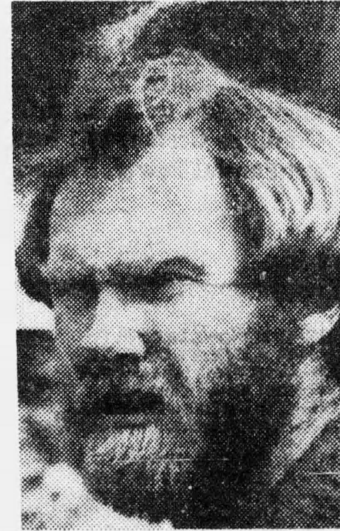
"The Bolts will play with six players at one time; we go with 10 starters. They play indoors, continuing the action by playing the ball when it bounces off the boards; we play on a football-sized field, and action stops when the ball rolls out of bounds."

Robinson is a dedicated lacrosse coach, even to the point of spending painstaking hours to submit a weekly newsletter to all 14 Eastern Mass. high schools participating in the sport.

Lacrosse in this area is growing very slowly, and Robinson is the first to admit it.

"There are two basic factors why lacrosse hasn't expanded too much on the high school level," Robinson said. "We have to do something about educating people about lacrosse and let them know how they should go about introducing it. And there's also the fact that many schools are economy minded these days, and they're cutting back on athletic appropriations. This has caused many schools to become lukewarm about adding lacrosse to their sports programs. It would require an initial outlay of \$2500 for uniforms and equipment. The costs are much lower after the first year."

Burlington is the latest high school to become an Eastern Mass. varsity



BILL ROBINSON
. . . wary of pro influence

member in lacrosse. There are two divisions — North and South — comprised of seven teams each. The North is represented by Lincoln-Sudbury, last year's Eastern Mass. champ, Concord-Carlisle, Brookline, Winchester, Beverly, Burlington, Ipswich. The South has Newton North, Framingham North, Needham, Framingham South, Medford, Newton South, Weymouth North.

In a recent coaches' poll, Robinson's Brookline team was rated third behind favored Lincoln-Sudbury and Concord-Carlisle in the North. Newton North was rated tops in the South.

This is Robinson's fifth year as Brookline coach, and last year the school qualified for the first time in the tournament. Robinson played his school lacrosse at Pingry Prep School in Elizabeth, N.J., and then he went on to Princeton, where in his sophomore year the Tigers won the Ivy League lacrosse championship. He now plays for the Brine's Sporting Goods club team.