

**HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER**

# Trojans, Scorpions Battle To 3-3 Tie

**BY DOUG RUTTER**  
West Brunswick had the match won, but North Brunswick wouldn't quit.

That was story as the Trojans and Scorpions battled to a 3-3 tie in the first intra-county soccer match of the season last Thursday at Northwest Park in Leland.

The Trojans, nursing a 2-0 lead late in the second half, fell apart on defense. The Scorpions, held scoreless for nearly 90 minutes, suddenly found their offense.

"I was pretty pleased with that comeback," North Coach Keith Moore said after his team scored three times in the final three minutes to salvage a tie. "The guys could have laid down."

Trojan Coach Teak Hemphill said his team ran out of gas. "The defense got tired. We played great right up until the end and got tired. When we get in shape, we'll be all right."

Hemphill credited North for its effort. "They fought back. You have to give them credit. They didn't give up."

Moore said he was glad the Scorpions kept fighting, even when they trailed 2-0 and 3-1 with time running out.

"They kept battling, so that was a positive sign," he said. "I stressed that to them after the game too. It's important to work hard whether you're winning or losing because you never know when things will turn around."

Trailing 2-0, Steve Sloan got North Brunswick on the board with about three minutes to play.

West's Chris Payne, who played most of the game with a pulled leg muscle, blasted a 20-yard shot past Scorpion goalie Steve Brigman about one minute later for a 3-1 Trojan lead.

However, North Brunswick scored two quick goals to tie the game. Andre Luiz, an exchange student from Brazil, headed a crossing pass from Don Hayes into the net to trim West's lead to 3-2.

With 25 seconds remaining, Casey McBride headed Zach Miller's corner kick into the goal to end the scoring.

West's Gabe Cooper had given the Trojans a 2-0 lead early in the second half, scoring his fourth goal of the season on a pass from Payne.



WEST'S JEREMIE VARNAM (right) and North's Don Hayes battle for a loose ball during last Thursday's soccer match in Leland, which ended in a 3-3 tie.

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With five seconds left in the first half, West's Andy Russ took a pass from Payne and rolled the ball into the right corner of the goal to open the scoring.

Moore said the Scorpions still have a lot of things to work on. North's soccer team will compete in the rugged Coastal Plains 1A Conference this fall. League play starts Sept. 15.

"I thought West had a very good team," Moore said. "They have some players with a lot of skills and they worked well as a team."

**South Wins 3-0**

South Brunswick improved its

record to 2-0 last Friday with a 3-0 win over visiting Flora McDonald Academy.

Claudio Deserti, an exchange student from Italy, scored all three goals for the Cougars from his right wing position.

South Coach Greg Bland praised the play of halfbacks Damon Jones and Justin May and defenders Forrest Whitesides and Matt Collin.

Goalie Tommy Bunting made 14 saves as he recorded his second shutout in two games. Bunting made 17 saves in South's season-opening 1-0 win against Topsail on Aug. 23.

The South Brunswick-North

Brunswick match was canceled Monday due to the threat of Hurricane Emily, as was West Brunswick's match against Topsail.

The Trojans were scheduled to host Dixon Wednesday and travel to Topsail next Monday. South Brunswick was scheduled to play Wednesday at Topsail before hosting North Brunswick next Tuesday.

**BRUNSWICK COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER Standings Through Aug. 31**

Team	County	Overall	GS	GA
South	0-0-0	2-0-0	4	0
West	0-0-1	1-0-1	9	3
North	0-0-1	0-0-1	3	3

# Trojan Volleyball Team Loses First Two Matches

West Brunswick's volleyball team dropped its first two matches of the season last week, including the Waccamaw 2A/3A Conference opener against South Columbus.

The host Lady Stallions took the opening game 15-13 last Thursday before West Brunswick won the second 15-9. South Columbus took the next two 15-7 and 15-13.

"That was a very disappointing loss," West Brunswick Coach Brenda Council said. "We just showed up basically. I guess we figured they would give us the match if we just showed up."

Leading scorers for West were Rebecca Hughes with 14 points, Michelle Long with 13 and Nicole Norris with 10. Madonna Gause added five, Felicia Morgan four and April Mintz two.

Christy Chestnut had 15 points, Stephanie McDowell 12 and Shannon Fowler 11 for South Columbus. Jamie Bellamy had seven, Penny Jones six and Chasity Worley three to round out the scoring.

"We did not play well at all,"

Council said. "We were doing a lot of standing around and not communicating."

West Brunswick opened the season last Tuesday with a 16-14, 0-15, 8-15, 11-15, loss at Wilmington Hoggard.

"We won the first game and we went downhill from there on," Coach Council said. "We played pretty good the first game and then did a lot of standing around."

Norris and Long led West Brunswick with 10 and nine points respectively. Gause added six, Morgan four and Hughes and Mintz had three apiece.

West Brunswick (0-1 conference, 0-2 overall) had three away matches scheduled this week, starting with a Tuesday date at Pender. West was scheduled to play at Bladenboro Wednesday and Whiteville Thursday.

The Lady Trojans' first home match will be Sept. 7 against East Columbus. Council said West's new wooden gym floor was still not completed as of early this week.

## Hanover Tops South In Volleyball Match

New Hanover defeated South Brunswick 15-8, 17-15, 15-10, in the Lady Cougars' first volleyball match of the season last Thursday.

South Coach Kim Jones said Tracy Coates and Laura Laakkonen, an exchange student from Finland, played outstanding in a losing cause.

"I was real pleased. New Hanover has a real good team," Jones said. "I

wasn't upset at them losing. They played real well."

South Brunswick was scheduled to host West Columbus Tuesday. The Lady Cougars will travel to East Columbus Thursday and host Whiteville Sept. 7.

## Basic EMT Course Begins Sept. 2 At Leland VRS

A basic emergency medical technician (EMT) course begins today (Sept. 2) and continues through Dec. 16 at the Leland Volunteer Rescue Squad building, sponsored by Brunswick Community College.

Classes will meet from 6-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. on some Saturdays. The course is free to fire, rescue and police personnel. Others will pay \$35. Participants can register at the first class.

The squad building is off Village Road across from the Leland Fire Department.

For more information, call the Brunswick Community College Continuing Education Center at 754-6922.

## North Volleyball Drops First Match

North Brunswick's Lady Scorpions fell to visiting Topsail 15-13, 15-12, in their volleyball season opener last Tuesday.

Coach Tabitha King said Wendy Ganey and Michelle Bennett served well for North Brunswick, which beat Topsail in an unofficial scrimmage following the non-conference match.

"They really did good as a whole," Coach King added. "They were close games. It wasn't like we got blown out."

North Brunswick is scheduled to travel to Topsail Thursday for a rematch. The Lady Scorpions will host West Brunswick next Wednesday.

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