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HIGH SCHOOL FIELD HOCKEY: Peddie and Lawrenceville tie to share Prep A Championship

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HIGHTSTOWN — The Peddie School's run of field hockey prep state championship extended to three years, but the Lawrenceville School started a run of its own as the two teams played to a 1-1 tie in the NJISAA A Championship.

Unlike the public league, the prep league shares the title in the case of a tie. In the NJSIAA, after overtime a winner is decided by penalty strokes, similar to penalty kicks in soccer.

"It was a great game," Peddie coach Allison Treese said. "We both played hard. We're both good teams and nobody could finally put it in to get on top."

"I think we both won," Lawrenceville coach Lisa Ewanchyna said. "I'll take a championship, that's great. Obviously, everyone wants to win outright, but Peddie's a strong team and I respect Ali (Treese) and everything she's done."



Peddie topped Lawrenceville 1-0 in their only regular season matchup on October 16. It has also topped the Big Red in the championship game for the past two seasons.

The Falcons (14-1-2) and the Big Red (13-2-1) played a scoreless first half in which both teams managed two shots on goal.

Lawrenceville's Nikki Rivera netted the game's first goal with 22:21 to play in the second half. The goal was set up by Emily Hu and Eliza Becker off a penalty corner.

"It was really the execution that made it work," Rivera said. **"We had Emily who passed it up to Eliza Becker. Eliza Becker fed it through the middle and I was there. So I put it right through the goalie's legs."**

“Nikki (Rivera) is so scrappy and honestly she works so hard in the circle” Ewanchyna said.

The teams played back and forth until 10:28 left in the second half when Peddie found the equalizer.

Junior Maddie Copeland scored the tying goal that was also set up off a penalty corner. Morgan Crowe and Mary Rose Croddick-Molyneaux assisted Copeland on the goal.

“That’s my job, I’m a forward and I need to get in there and get the goals,” Copeland said. “I just fought for it. I knew we needed one and I just put it in.”

“(Copeland) was trying to do everything she could to put the ball in the cage,” Treese said.

After the second half ended in 1-1 tie, five players from each team were removed from the field for the sudden-death overtime play.

Space opened up as the Falcons and the Big Red competed 7-on-7. Both teams had scoring opportunities and a number of penalty corners, but neither could put home the game-winner.

Both defenses were up to the task in the overtime periods. For the game, Peddie goalkeeper Danielle Rette made seven saves and Lawrenceville goalkeeper Shivani Chanillo made four saves.

“I felt that I didn’t get that many shots,” Chanillo said. “My defense stopped a lot of them. It was close, but they were able to get it out quickly. I owe a lot to my defense throughout this whole season. They’ve been my rock.”

Lawrenceville (13-2-1) 0 1 0 0 — 1

Peddie (14-1-2) 0 1 0 0 — 1

Goals: L-Rivera; P-Copeland. **Assists:** L-Hu, Becker. P-Crowe, Croddick-Molyneaux. **Shots:** P-5; L-8. **Saves:** LChanillo 4; P-Rette 7.

NJISAA B Championship

Montclair Kimberley 2, Stuart 1

MONTCLAIR — Angela Gallagher scored a goal to put Stuart (6-13-1) up 1-0 in the first half of the NJISAA B Championship. However, the Tartans’ lead would not hold as Montclair Kimberley (11-8-2) rallied with two second half goals.

Jasmine Cole scored both goals for the Cougars. Whitney Charbonneau assisted on Gallagher’s goal for Stuart.

Stuart (6-13-1) 1 0 — 1

Montclair Kimberley (11-8-2) 0 2 — 2

Goals: S-Gallagher; MK-Cole 2. **Assists:** S-Charbonneau; MK-Guccione, Haddock-Carter. **Saves:** S-N/A; MK-Peek 4.