



Photo by Nick Zambrano

Midfielder Cailin Byrnes, right, attempts to track down the loose ball. Ohlone's superior ball control helped shut out City College of San Francisco.

Ladies cruising at home

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With every game, a team wants to move on up and get better on the field. The Ohlone Women's Soccer team, however, seems to be rocking back and forth, and forth and back with their results. After a couple of unfortunate losses, the team came back with a shutout game, 4-0, against San Francisco City College last Friday and followed up with another win this past Tuesday, 2-1, against West Hills College.

"On Friday we played an excellent game because we found our flow, but against West Hills we lost our intensity," said team captain Casey Tuoto.

Friday's game against CCSF was one to clearly show Ohlone's talent, as the girls came in headstrong to the game and took control of the back, leaving the opposing team in the dust.

The game began in Ohlone's

favor, as freshman forward Reanna Williams made the opening goal off an assist by Chloe Blancas.

"This game was a big boost for the team that we needed," reflected Williams on the shutout.

Summer Winters gave Ohlone a 2-0 lead into the second half with her goal directly after Williams'. The Lady Renegades stepped right back into the momentum and they pounded goals upon the Rams by Tuoto and Melissa Flores.

"This was our second shutout of the season, and I just hope that we come out every game with this attitude," said Ohlone Head Coach Larry Heslin.

Tuesday's game against the Falcons was a whole different version of the same team as Heslin said, "this was a lucky win, that we didn't deserve."

Though the game result showed a win for the team record, the overall team performance was

looked down upon. Williams and Tuoto both agreed that the team was connecting a lot more, but the intensity needed to be picked up. Heslin who was quiet upset about the game added, "we need to come out better each game, work on our defensive organization and complete our finishes."

Williams made both of the first half goals. "We really need to be smarter with how we attack the ball, and connect more on the field," said Williams.

The second half was a better fight on the Falcons' part, as they obtained more looks at the goal, but no finishes. "We had a major injury in the first half, and lost our best forward, but still tried our best to put up with Ohlone," said Rams Head Coach Rodney Ragsdale.

With two consecutive wins in the bag, the Lady Renegades are looking forward to their next game against Cañada College this Friday at 4 p.m.

Renegades drown Solano

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The Ohlone Men's Water Polo team continues to open up the year strong, defeating Solano 10-3 in the first game of conference play last Friday.

The Renegades, coming off a solid 3-1 record at the Ohlone College tournament last week, started the game a bit slow.

After one period of play, Solano had a 1-0 lead, though the Renegades had plenty of shots on goal.

"Let's hit some corners," Coach Gene Kendall told his team after the period ended. "We were making that goalie look like a superstar for a while," Kendall said. After that, the Renegades flipped the switch.

The half ended well as Ben Hong made a nice inbound assist to Kevin Lugo for the closing goal of the half with two seconds left, giving Ohlone a 5-1 lead.

The Renegades finished the game just as strong, outscoring Solano 5-2 in the second half to win the game 10-3.

Eight players scored goals for Ohlone, as it was a nice complete

team effort. Lugo and Jeremy Bergey scored two goals each. Austin Kohlor had a great game in the net, limiting Solano to just three goals.

Kendall said going into the game that due to the youth of Solano, and the fact that they are undermanned, he would concentrate more on giving his customary reserve players more playing time and seeing what they can do.

"I was pleased with how we played. Solano's down a bit this year, they don't have much talent," said Kendall. "so it was a good opportunity for me to play some people that don't get an opportunity to play very often."

Kendall added that he was especially proud of the way his usual reserve players came out to play. "They actually ended up being ahead 5-1 at the half, I was proud of those guys," Kendall commented. "I was proud of the deep part of my bench coming away with a lead at halftime like that."

The Renegades will face a huge challenge tomorrow at home, as they take on a strong Cabrillo team. The game starts at 4 p.m.



Photo by David Epperson

Nonda Kozus receives a pass against Solano College. Ohlone won 10-3.

Ohlone mishandles two consecutively

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It's as though all good things for the Ohlone Mens Soccer team have come and gone. After rambling off four consecutive wins, the pitchers seem to have misplaced their lady luck necklace, among other things.

Back-to-back losses to Evergreen and Las Positas College have set them back a few steps in their attempt to greatly exceed preseason expectations.

The "Tuesday Night Lights" in Livermore shined bright for the duel of Las Positas and Ohlone. Unfortunately for the visiting Renegades, the lights clearly shined brighter for the Red-Tail Hawks who pulled away with a 2-0 win.

The Hawks struck five minutes into the match on a quick counter attack from midfield.

Felix Luna of Las Positas took a

defensive clearance to midfield and used the speed of the artificial turf, sending a fast paced pass down the center of the field to forward Cedric Kenfack.

The left forward touched the ball to his left and accelerated toward the goal and was met by a diving Ohlone keeper Iman Aghel who dove to the ball. Lady Luck was definitely uninvolved in the play sending the deflection in front of the goal. Kenfack's forward momentum took him to the goal for the 1-0 lead.

Ten minutes following the initial score, Las Positas nearly drained the energy from the Ohlone sideline. Hawks defender Kevin Thomas snuck into the middle of the six-yard box waiting for a cross from the right corner. Thomas received the cross but rather than controlling it and taking a wide open shot, he turned himself and let loose a flashy bicycle kick that missed the

frame by just enough to startle the crowd. Jogging back to his position, Thomas got plenty of praise by his teammates and a few glares from some Ohlone players.

Ohlone had a tough time responding to the Las Positas attack. The fast artificial turf in Livermore plays radically different to the natural sod on the Ohlone campus.

While Las Positas' style of play consists of moving the ball up the field with precision passes works well on the artificial field, Ohlone's stretch the field style doesn't work quite as well.

Las Positas waited none too long to finish Ohlone off in the second half on a Luis Rocha goal.

Rocha's shot traveled on the ground too quickly to Aghel's for him to block, giving Las Positas the 2-0 edge over Ohlone.

Friday afternoon Ohlone was not able to add to their four-game

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Goalkeeper Iman Aghel takes matters into his own hands and clears the net.