

Sports



Lions season winds down as booters finish with a 2-5-2 record at home

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The men's soccer team had tied its opponent on the first three Saturdays of October. This trend continued last weekend, as the game with the Highlanders of Houghton College (NY) ended in a 1-1 deadlock.

The Highlanders (3-9-3) scored first, just 6:50 into the game. Steve Mauw converted on an unassisted goal to give Houghton the early lead.

Behrend countered with a Mike Mihalke goal seven minutes later. Mihalke, who leads the Lions in goals (6), intercepted a pass and blasted it in from fifteen yards out.

The Lions (3-10-4) managed only nine shots on goal, which disappointed Coach Herb Lauffer. He thought the team should have been able to produce more opportunities from their nine

corner kicks.

Tom Bajus turned in a solid performance in goal for the Lions, turning aside 11 Houghton shots.

On October 25, Behrend faced Gannon, a Division II school, which entered the game ranked 4th nationally.

The Golden Knights (14-2-1) played like they deserved that ranking, defeating the Lions 6-0.

"They have players who are mature, knowledgeable, and who effectively apply skill to circumstances," said Lauffer of the strong Gannon team.

Lauffer felt his team played well against Gannon. He noted that fullbacks Tony Viola, Jeff and Jay Varcoe, midfielder Ken Crumb, and goalie Bajus, performed exceptionally well.

Behrend plays its final game of the season this afternoon at 3 pm with a road match against the University of Buffalo.

Soccer team wraps up home schedule



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Road woes: Behrend was no match for Gannon, a nationally ranked Division II foe, as they were shutout at Scott Park on October 25. Here, Lion sophomore Erik Filoon takes the ball while being closely guarded by a Golden Knight defender.



High Kicks: Freshman Anthony Perdue battles a Houghton player for the ball during action in Behrend's final home game of '89.



Jump ball: Senior Midfielder Ken Crumb outjumps a Houghton Highlander for the ball. Last Saturday's match, the final home game on the regular season schedule, ended in a 1-1 tie.