

FSL SOCCER NEWSLETTER

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It has been a fascinating season so far marked by parity and rain. Everyone had at least one loss by the 12th game of the season. Home teams are 13-5-1 as of this date. Game summaries are as follows:

On Friday, September 15 Westtown hosted ANC and handed the visitors a 3-0 defeat. Senior Nate Fry opened the scoring in the first half on an unassisted goal. Senior John Cookson and Sophomore Adam Dewan closed out the scoring in the second half on assists from Senior Scott Montgomery and Freshman Nelson Ramos. Brandon James recorded the shutout. One week later Westtown hosted GFS in the first of the league's many encounters with rain this fall. Westtown won 4-1, using 2 first-half goals by Montgomery and another from Cookson. Dewan and Senior Derek Smith contributed assists. The Tigers got on the board early in the second half on an unassisted effort by Junior Peter Shrier. Dewan closed out the scoring.

Also on Friday, September 22 ANC visited Moorestown and came away with a 3-1 win. The visitors opened the scoring in the 6th minute on a head ball from Francis Darkwah off a corner kick from David Keith. Two goals from Sean King in the 22nd and 36th minutes put the visitors up 3-0. Will Cowley had the assist on the first one. Senior Jim Bonder tallied for the hosts in the 39th minute. The second half was scoreless.

On Wednesday, September 27 host George School opened defense of their league title with a 4-1 win over Friends' Central. Junior Nick Mitchell opened the scoring for the Cougars with a headball goal off a cross from Senior Chineze Chijioke. In the 15th minute Junior Phil Colosi finished a ball from Senior Brad Loberg. In the 47th minute Senior Brandon Rock converted a through ball from Chijioke. In the 62nd minute Chijioke scored on a volley off a cross from Sophomore Adam Decker. The Phoenix avoided a shutout a minute later on a goal by Senior Jesse Porter with an assist to Junior Matt Driscoll. Two days later Friends' Central hosted Germantown and the result was a hard-fought 1-1 tie. Senior Mark Fifer opened the scoring for the hosts in the 11th minute with an assist from Junior Josh Levi. The Tigers knotted the score on a 24th minute goal from Senior Mike Greenfield with an assist by Junior Seth Laver.

Also on the 29th, host Abington beat Moorestown 2-1. Sophomore Chris D'Angelo opened the scoring in the 12th minute for the 'roos. Sophomore Ramsey

Haig netted a 44th minute penalty kick to make the score 2-0. Moorestown scored in the 56th minute on a corner kick.

Two games on Thursday, October 5 were rained out. Skies cleared on Friday, October 6 allowing visiting Abington to take home a 2-1 win over ANC. The Lions scored first in the 34th minute when King scored on an assist from Lowen Lermite. The 'roos waited until the 60th minute to score, with the equalizer coming from Senior Jeff Mildenberg. Haig netted the game winner 6 minutes later on an assist from Sophomore Mikki Hutchins. On Tuesday, October 10 the 'roos hit the road again, and although Mildenberg opened the scoring in the 5th minute, the host Phoenix netted all the rest to garner a 5-1 win. Sophomore Dan Silver scored in the 7th, 41st and 75th minutes, while Fifer tallied in the 60th minute and Junior Jeff Sheau netted a goal just before the final whistle. Jesse Porter assisted on all five goals.

On Wednesday, October 11 host George School shut out Friends Select, 3-0. Chijioke opened the scoring on a penalty kick in the 29th minute. Loberg scored on a 56th minute volley from Chijioke and Freshman Matt Lilienfeld closed the scoring in the 73rd minute, again from Chijioke. Juniors Paul Greenblatt and John Schorr shared the shutout.

Two days later in the biggest surprise of this season and recent years, host Abington thumped George 6-1. This was the Cougars' worst FSL loss ever and the 'roos first win over George since their championship season of 1984. Gerry Hoffner tallied three times for the hosts (12th, 13th, and 44th minutes). Mike Plotkin assisted on the second goal; Haig on the third. Mildenberg scored unassisted in the 28th minute and then Loberg scored from Quinn Kerrigan for the visitors 4 minutes later. The 'roos came right back with a 34th minute goal by Plotkin with an assist from Joe Arnold. The same duo closed out the scoring in the 58th minute.

Also on Friday the 13th, Select travelled to Moorestown and won 2-1. The Falcons opened the scoring early when Senior Matt Reilly netted a goal off an assist from Senior A.J. DuPont in the 3rd minute. Bonder evend the score for the hosts with a 46th mnute goal. DuPont scored the game winner on a direct kick in the 69th minute. Moorestown hit two posts late in the game, but could not net the equalizer.

On Saturday, October 14 there was more rain, but Friends' Central beat host Westtown 2-1. Fifer opened the scoring for the Phoenix in the 5th minute. Five minute later the hosts netted an own goal, with Phoenix Senior Dan Dolsky receiving credit. Westtown scored in the 25th minute on a goal by Junior Ian Henderson off a Montgomery assist.

Two days later Friends' Central traveled to ANC and lost by an identical 2-1 score. Sheau opened the scoring for the visitors in the 30th minute with an assist from Porter. The hosts were held scoreless until the 64th minute when Jesse King score on an assist from his brother Sean. Cowley tallied the game winner in the 69th minute on a breakaway.

On Wednesday, October 18 host Friends Select beat Germantown 1-0 as Reilly and DuPont teamed up again, this time in the 11th minute. Matt Maiello notched the shut out with 4 saves. The Tigers outshot the Falcons 15-5 and had 8 corner kicks to 2, but could not tally. Also on the 18th, George righted itself and shut out visiting ANC 4-0. Sophomore David Peasley opened the scoring in the 16th minute with an assist from Loberg. Junior Chris Winthur knocked in a Loberg assist in the 20th minute. Senior Adi Blum scored unassisted in the 42nd minute and Chijioke closed out the scoring in the 48th minute from Kerrigan. Greenblatt and Schorr again shared the shutout.

On Friday, October 20 George repeated the score at Moorestown. Rock scored in the 28th minute on an assist from Chijioke, who then scored the final three goals (48th, 50th and 59th). Loberg assisted on one and Rock on another. Greenblatt and Schorr shared the goaltending.

On Saturday, October 21 the rains came again. Germantown's field was unplayable, forcing a postponement with Abington, while Friends' Central was able to host Friends Select. The Phoenix won 5-1. The Falcons opened the scoring in the 6th minute on an unassisted effort by Matt Steege. Fifer tied the game in the 15th minute. Levi and Driscoll each scored from Porter in the final minute of the half. Porter then scored in the 57th minute with an assist from Sophomore Andy Kim. Freshman Jared Furtman closed the scoring in the 79th minute with an assist from Fifer.

On Tuesday, October 24 host Germantown topped Moorestown 2-1. The Tigers opened the scoring in the 4th minute as Junior Gabe Tames converted an assist from Greenfield. Bonder evened the score in the 21st minute, but Shrier netted the game winner just 5 minutes later again assisted by Greenfield. Also on the 24th host ANC topped Friends Select 3-2. The Falcons opened the scoring in the 25th minute as Reilly headed in a goal after an indirect kick from DuPont. The Lions took over from there scoring in the 34th (Darkwah), 50th (Cowley - assist to David Keith) and 63rd (Lermitte - assist to Jesse Keith). Select closed out the scoring in the 71st minute on a goal by Senior Ramtin Bidgoli with an assist from Shawn McGonigle.

FSL SCORING LEADERS THROUGH 10/24

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>GOALS</u>	<u>ASSISTS</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
CHINEZE CHIJOKE	GEO	SR	6	5	11
JESSE PORTER	FCS	SR	2	8	10
BRAD LOBERG	GEO	SR	2	4	6
MARK FIFER	FCS	SR	4	1	5
SEAN KING	ANC	SO	3	1	4
SCOTT MONTGOMERY	WTN	SR	2	2	4
AJ DUPONT	FSS	SR	1	3	4

STANDINGS THROUGH 10/24

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>FSL</u>						<u>OVERALL</u>					
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>GF</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>GF</u>	<u>GA</u>	
GEORGE	4	1	0	8	16	7	5	7	0	25	29	
CENTRAL	3	2	1	7	15	10	6	6	2	42	28	
ABINGTON	3	1	0	6	11	8	7	4	0	36	23	
WESTTOWN	2	1	0	4	8	3	5	4	1	20	10	
ACADEMY	3	3	0	6	9	13	6	7	1	33	28	
SELECT	2	3	0	4	6	12	5	4	1	31	21	
GERMANTOWN	1	2	1	3	4	7	4	5	1	18	17	
MOORESTOWN	0	5	0	0	4	13	3	6	3	22	22	

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GEORGE SCHOOL WINS SIXTH IN A ROW IN 4 OT'S

The league in general, and Westtown in particular, is getting closer to dethroning George School. But the Cougars found a way to bring home the title again. That way was a spectacular diving header by senior Chinezi Chijioke 25 seconds into the second five-minute sudden death overtime period, after two 10-minute regular OT's. Chijioke timed his leap off a cross by junior Masa Ishiguro to give the home team a 1-0 win and end the longest championship game in league history. Continuing the trend of parity in the league this year, Westtown reached the championship game by beating Abington in two OT's in the semifinal, having lost to George and Abington in their late-October regular season games also in 2 OT's. Senior Paul Greenblatt tended goal for the winners, while Brandon James was in net for Westtown.

In the semifinals, Westtown became the first #4 seed to beat a regular-season champion when they topped host Abington 4-3 in an exciting see-saw contest capped by an excellent goal from senior Scott Montgomery 5:30 into the second OT. Senior Nate Fry gave the assist on a long ball from the defensive third. The visitors had opened the scoring in the 12th minute on a goal by senior Derek Smith assisted by sophomore Adam Dewan. The 'roos stormed back with two goals (and nearly a third) by junior Mike Plotkin before the half. The first came in the 18th minute off a corner kick by senior Joey Arnold. The second came on a header in the 33rd minute with an assist from Gerry Hoffner. In the 39th minute a hard Plotkin shot caromed off the crossbar. The Quakers turned things around early in the second half, scoring in the 45th and 69th minutes. Dewan knocked in the tying goal on a loose ball after a direct kick by freshman Nelson Ramos and then Ramos put 'town ahead temporarily with the assist coming from Montgomery. Senior Jeff Mildenberg knotted the score again in the 75th minute after a big throw from senior Simon Buten, thus setting the stage for Montgomery's OT heroics. The hosts did not give up, though and James was forced to make three game-winning saves in the final two minutes of OT.

In the other semifinal, George had an easier time with Friends' Central, winning 6 -1. Chijioke opened the scoring in the 16th minute with an assist from senior Quinn Kerrigan. Junior Ahren Wart tallied in the 22nd minute with an assist from Chijioke and Ishiguro headed in a corner kick from senior Brad Loberg, just three minutes before the half. The Phoenix pressed forward as the second half began and tallied in the 47th minute on a strong goal by senior Mark Fifer with an assist from senior Jesse Porter.

Play evened out for much of the second half, but the hosts sealed the win with three goals in the final thirteen minutes. Ishiguro, senior Ezra Rosser, and Chijioke each scored, and Chijioke also added an assist.

REGULAR SEASON WRAPUP

On Wednesday, October 25 host Abington used a goal by Arnold 9:30 into the first OT to notch a 1-0 win over visiting Westtown. Mikki Hutchins provided the assist. Mike Haberman earned the shutout. On the next day, in a makeup of an October 5th rainout, host Westtown had their way with Moorestown 8-0. Ramos had two goals and two assists. Dewan and senior John Cookson each had two goals, while senior Ian Broennle added a goal and an assist, Fry had a goal and Smith, Montgomery and Paul Hellar each had an assist. James recorded the shutout. On the 27th the 'roos continued their march to first place in the regular season with a 4-2 win on the road at Select. Two quick goals just before the half by Arnold and Plotkin set the pace for the winners. Plotkin added two more tallies in the second half (with assists from Eric Wolf each time) before the Falcons tallied twice in the final three minutes of the game. Senior Matt Reilly tallied with an assist from Damien Szyld, before Szyld in turn scored off an assist from Matt Steege.

Also on the 27th, visiting Friends' Central edged Moorestown in OT, 3-1. Porter opened the scoring for the Phoenix in the 34th minute with an assist from Dan Silver. Senior Jim Bonder knotted the score on a 42nd minute penalty kick. Matt Murphy took over in the overtimes, scoring once in each period, assisted by Silver and Jared Furtman. On the same day visiting Germantown kept their playoff hopes alive with a 2-0 win over ANC. Junior Peter Shrier scored both goals for the Tigers, with assists from senior Mike Greenfield and junior Ira Tuton. Junior Ben Schindler earned the shutout.

In a preview of the championship game, host George School topped Westtown 2-1 in OT on Saturday, October 28. Dewan opened the scoring with an unassisted effort in the 46th minute after a scoreless first half. Chijioke evened the score in the 76th minute with an assist from junior Stockton Reece. This set the stage for Loberg to repeat his OT goal scoring knack which he debuted in last year's championship contest at Westtown. This year he connected in the second minute of the first period.

Germantown made up home rainouts on Tuesday, October 31 (1-2 to George). and Wednesday, November 1 (0-1 to Abington) continuing the parity/rain theme. In the George game Shrier opened the scoring for the hosts in the 56th minute. After an 8 minute injury delay, Loberg evened the score in the next actual minute of play and then Chijioke tallied the winner in the 60th minute. Abington used a 9th minute goal from Plotkin and shutout keeping from Haberman to end with their best showing in eleven years. On the same day, visiting Westtown clinched fourth place by topping

Select 5-1 as Dewan had 3 goals and an assist, while Montgomery and Ramos each had a goal and an assist. Reilly scored for the Falcons on a penalty kick.

CHIJOKE, BONDER LEAD ALL-STARS

Seniors Chinezi Chijioke of George School and Jim Bonder of Moorestown were named to the All-Southeastern PA team and will represent the FSL in the City vs. Suburban all-star game at the UGH Field in Oakford, PA on Friday, November 24. The FSL all-stars will play the Patriot Division all-stars at 9:45 a.m. on the same day also at UGH. Chijioke has also been named to the Pennsylvania all-state team, an honorary recognition, while Bonder received similar recognition in South Jersey.

1995 ALL-LEAGUE TEAM

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
BRANDON JAMES	WESTTOWN SCHOOL	SR	GK
NATE FRY	WESTTOWN SCHOOL	SR	D
IAN BROENNLE	WESTTOWN SCHOOL	SR	M
SCOTT MONTGOMERY	WESTTOWN SCHOOL	SR	M
CHINEZI CHIJOKE	GEORGE SCHOOL	SR	M
QUINN KERRIGAN	GEORGE SCHOOL	SR	D
GABE TAMES	GERMANTOWN FRIENDS	JR	D
MIKE HABERMAN	ABINGTON FRIENDS	JR	GK
JOEY ARNOLD	ABINGTON FRIENDS	SR	M
MARK FIFER	FRIENDS' CENTRAL	SR	M
JESSE PORTER	FRIENDS' CENTRAL	SR	S
CHRIS OSWALD	FRIENDS' CENTRAL	SR	D
A.J. DUPONT	FRIENDS SELECT	SR	D
FRANCIS DARKWAH	ANC	SR	M
JESSE KING	ANC	SR	S
JIM BONDER	MOORESTOWN FRIENDS	SR	M

1995 HONORABLE MENTION

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
JEFF MARRAZZO	GERMANTOWN FRIENDS	SR	M
BRAD LOBERG	GEORGE SCHOOL	SR	S
RAMSEY HAIG	ABINGTON FRIENDS	SO	S
MATT REILLY	FRIENDS SELECT	SR	M
WILL COWLEY	ANC	JR	M
CHRIS DENNISTON	MOORESTOWN FRIENDS	SR	D

FINAL FSL SCORING LEADERS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>GOALS</u>	<u>ASSISTS</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
CHINEZE CHIJOKE	GEO	SR	11	7	18
ADAM DEWAN	WTN	SO	9	3	12
JESSE PORTER	FCS	SR	3	9	12
NELSON RAMOS	WTN	FR	4	6	10
MIKE PLOTKIN	AFS	JR	8	1	9
BRAD LOBERG	GEO	SR	4	5	9
SCOTT MONTGEMERY	WTN	SR	4	5	9
MARK FIFER	FCS	SR	5	1	6
MATT REILLY	FSS	SR	5	0	5
PETER SHRIER	GFS	JR	5	0	5

FINAL STANDINGS

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>FSL</u>						<u>OVERALL</u>					
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>GF</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>GF</u>	<u>GA</u>	
ABINGTON	6	2	0	12	20	13	10	5	0	45	28	
GEORGE	8	1	0	12	27	10	9	8	0	36	33	
CENTRAL	4	3	1	9	19	17	8	7	2	50	35	
WESTTOWN	5	4	0	8	26	11	8	7	1	38	18	
ACADEMY	3	4	0	6	9	15	6	9	1	33	32	
GERMANTOWN	2	4	1	5	7	10	5	7	1	21	20	
SELECT	2	5	0	4	9	21	6	7	1	37	38	
MOORESTOWN	0	7	0	0	5	24	3	9	3	25	38	