

2021 FALL SPORTS AWARDS



INTRODUCTION

Somers High School would like to acknowledge our fall sports teams and athletes for their fall sports accomplishments after the 2021 season.

This past fall season, we had (133) athletes participating in (6) sports with all teams qualifying for CIAC post-season state. Post-season honors were awarded to (16) All Conference athletes, including (1) individual NCCC champion, (1) NCCC championship team, (1) CIAC Open individual champion, and (2) athletes qualifying for the New England championships. Additional team awards include (1) NCCC and Class S Championship for girls cross country, and (1) Pequot Uncas Divisional Championship for our Stafford/East Windsor/Somers co-op football team. Somers High School would also like to recognize (9) All State athletes, including both Rachel St. Germain and Thomas Lafayette who earned All New England honors.

We would like to thank our trainer Kade Redman and school nurse Monica Willemain, both of whom were daily involved in keeping our athletes and coaches informed and healthy through all of the many challenges required for playing sports through this pandemic. We also want to thank our clock timers, worker staff and resource officers who provided the support needed to meet to host our home games.

Finally, we would like to thank all of our coaches and student athletes, combined with the daily support of our parents and community, who all have contributed to the success of our fall sports teams during this past season.

Thanks,
Alan Walker
SHS Athletic Manager

GIRL'S CROSS COUNTRY

Varsity Coach: Michael Szafir

Assistant Coach: Jennifer Collins

Team Captains: Rachel St. Germain, Gracie Flynn



VARSITY LETTERS:, Rachel St. Germain, Ella Campion, Gracie Flynn, April Kelly, Dara Salka, Sara St. Germain, Lauren Zapolski, Stephanie Burzynski

TEAM SUMMARY

The girl's cross-country team went undefeated during the 2021 regular season for the 3rd consecutive regular season while winning their 3rd consecutive NCCC Championship. The team placed (7) athletes on the All NCCC team with Rachel St. Germain winning her 2nd straight NCCC individual championship. After not being able to compete in a state championship meet last year, the team was able to win Somers High School's first ever Class S Girls Championship again led by Rachel St. Germain's championship run. Stephanie Burzynski and Gracie Flynn also earned All State honors while qualifying for the girl's Open Championships. Rachel St. Germain completed her championship trifecta sweep of individual honors by easily winning the Open Championship. With Stephanie Burzynski also qualifying for the New England Championships, both runners competed in Thetford Vermont where Rachel St. Germain finished as runner-up. For her outstanding accomplishments throughout the fall, Rachel was awarded the Connecticut Gatorade Cross Country Runner of the Year award.

All NCCC:

Rachel St. Germain (NCCC Champion)

Gracie Flynn

Ella Campion

April Kelly

Dara Salka

Sara St. Germain

Stephanie Burzynski

1ST EVER CLASS S STATE CHAMPION: SOMERS GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

CLASS S ALL STATE: Rachel St. Germain (Class S State Champion), Stephanie Burzynski, Gracie Flynn

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS: Rachel St. Germain (Open Champion), Stephanie Burzynski

NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS: Rachel St. Germain (runner-up), Stephanie Burzynski

ALL NEW ENGLAND: Rachel St. Germain

CONNECTICUT GATORADE CROSS COUNTRY RUNNER of the YEAR AWARD: Rachel St. Germain

BOY'S CROSS COUNTRY

Varsity Coach: Michael Szafir

Assistant Coach: Jennifer Collins

Team Captains: Cooper Barrett, Justin Donohue, Benjamin Campion



VARSITY LETTERS: Cooper Barrett, Justin Donohue, Benjamin Campion, Jonathan DuPerre, Braden Joyal, Woodelson Bassaillon, Alex Deveau, Jake Breton, Harley Huestis

JV CERTIFICATES: Tait Gaudet, Cowen Joyal, Cody Marks

TEAM SUMMARY

The 2021 boy's cross-country team finished with a 17-7 team record while finishing 5th overall in the NCCC with both Benjamin Campion and Alex Deveau earned All NCCC Honors. The boy's team ran an excellent race in the Class SS Championships, finishing 5th overall lead by Benjamin Campion's 9th place finish to earn All State honors. Benjamin Campion also qualified for the Open Championships.

All NCCC: Benjamin Campion, Alex Deveau
CIAC Class SS All State: Benjamin Campion

BOY'S SOCCER

Varsity Coach: Rick Kelly
Junior Varsity Coach: Andrew Slater
Assistant Coaches: Rick Brown, Shane Hogan, Justin Parlapiano
Team Captain: Thomas Lafayette



Varsity Letters

SENIORS

Jonathan Benedict
Patrick Brown
Joseph Burzynski
Gabriel Kukulka
Thomas Lafayette
Kush Patel
Douglas Suter
Ryan Symington

JUNIORS

Owen Argiro
Luke Bolduc
Nicholas Calcasola
Gabriel D'Amour
Hunter Hogan
Tristan Hogan
Gunnar Harrison
Thomas Lesco

SOPHOMORES

Jedric Clark
Dylan Doody
Dylan Kukulka
Manager: Jack Logan

FRESHMAN

Jesse Martell

Keegan West

David Reed

TEAM SUMMARY

Coach Rick Kelly's varsity team finished the regular season with a (9) game undefeated streak to end up with a regular season record of with 12 wins, 3 losses and 1 tie. As the number 6 seed entering the Class S State tournament, the Spartans defeated league rivals East Granby, Coventry and Bolton to advance the semi-finals. Somers High School would like to congratulate our (3) All NCCC and (2) Class S All State players, including Thomas Lafayette on becoming the 5th Somers High School soccer player in school history to earn All New England honors.

ALL NCCC: Thomas Lafayette, Patrick Brown, Tristan Hogan

CLASS S ALL STATE: Thomas Lafayette, Patrick Brown

ALL NEW ENGLAND: Thomas Lafayette

BOYS JV SOCCER

Coach Andrew Slater



Coach Andrew Slater's JV team played (12) games and finished with a 6-6 record. The team played their home games both on both the new turf field and the existing grass field, with the highlight of the year winning (2) games over Coventry and defeating Suffield in a home game.

JV CERTIFICATES

JUNIORS

Jack Scott

SOPHOMORES

Mustapha Drammeh

FRESHMAN

Zachary Avery

Jack Brayton

Declan Case

Jack Chester

Aiden Clarity

Ethan Hartman

FRESHMAN

Cooper Leonard

Jack Olearcek

Evan Olearczyk

Elden Schillinger

Tyler Scott

Denny Storozuk

Aiden Leiphart

GIRL'S SOCCER

Girl's Soccer Varsity Coach Jody Catellier

Girl's Soccer JV Coach: Erik Serrell-Dube

Volunteer Assistant Coaches: Ryan Kalman, Brody Rheault, Eric Henne, Kathryn LaVallee, Gina Catellier

Team Captains: Bianca Green, Anna Majowicz, Jamie Anthony, Deidre Dalessio



VARSIITY LETTERS

SENIORS

Kaya Donah
Bianca Green
Anna Majowicz
Shannon Munson

JUNIORS

Jamie Anthony
Mackenzie Bridge
Shea Cassidy
Laura Catellier
Deidre Dalessio
Devon Dalessio
Raya Davis
Erin Donohue
Robin Gaskell
Katherine Grondin
Kiana Kalman
Halle Watt

SOPHOMORES

Kathryn Brown
Grace Dina
Elizabeth Grondin
Taylor Illuzzi
Elizabeth Szleszynski

FRESHMAN

Avery D'Amour
Ava DePeau
Maggie Skalski
Maya Serrano

Varsity Managers: Grace Majowicz, Mollie Burns, Teegan Illuzzi

TEAM SUMMARY

Led by their (4) seniors and many returning varsity players with high expectations coming into this season following last fall's (8) wins and advancing the NCCC East playoff finals, the team finished with a record of 12 wins, 3 losses, and 1 tie to qualify as the #6 seed in the Class S State tournament. After a bye in the first round, the Spartans defeated #11 Old Lyme in penalty kicks after overtime, and then defeated #19 Old Saybrook in overtime to qualify for the semifinals for the first time since 2008.

ALL NCCC: Bianca Green, Deidre Dalessio, Avery D'Amour
CLASS S ALL STATE: Bianca Green, Deidre Dalessio

GIRLS JV SOCCER TEAM Erik Serrell-Dube



Coach Eric Serrell-Dube's junior varsity team had a record of 6 wins and 3 ties.

JV CERTIFICATES

JUNIORS

Mackenzie Bridge
Madison Gebo
Josie Goulet

SOPHOMORES

Alexa Damboragian
Olivia Gengenbach
Grace McGuinness

FRESHMAN

Noelle Benedict
Sydney Cassidy
Emma Ciccarella
Rylee Ferro
Lyndsey Hale
Aubrie Kobjack
Juliette Mira

Jocelyn Randall
Brooke Stevens

FIELD HOCKEY

Varsity Coach: Jennifer Jablonski

JV Coach: Caitlyn Dunlap

Assistant Coach: Brianna Damon

CAPTAINS: Kayla Brown, Grace Gengenbach, Sophia Jones, Emily Lawlor



VARSIY LETTERS

SENIORS

Kayla Brown
Caroline Colton
Abigail Ellis
Grace Gengenbach
Grace Herrity
Sophia Jones
Emily Lawlor
Katelyn Martello
Taylor McCormick
Palmer Oliveri
Emily Tardif

JUNIORS

Amanda Tardif

SOPHOMORES

Sage Corbin
Chloe Gowdy
Audrey Mahoney
Ryen Rossi

FRESHMAN

McKenna Halligan
Alyssa Reynolds

MANAGERS

Amelia Carenzo
Isabella Nolasco

TEAM SUMMARY

Coach Jenna Jablonski's team led by (11) seniors players played a full NCCC and non-league schedule following the 2020 season with a combined schedule with the CCC field hockey teams. Somers had (2) all conference athletes in field hockey with Emily Lawlor earning All NCCC and All State honors.

ALL NCCC: Emily Lawlor
Class S 2nd Team All State: Emily Lawlor

FOOTBALL



Stafford/East Windsor/Somers Co-op Football Team
Varsity Coach Brian Mazzone

VARSITY PLAYERS: Mateo Pandolfi, Connor Marchi, Logan Wolf, Christopher Francis, Tyler Kradas

JV PLAYERS: Tyler Wolf, Ryan Halligan, Lukas McClenahan, Sebastion Sawicki, Josiah Fasano, Eric Renzoni, Andrew Cardwell, Yanni Karaja

1st PLACE PEQUOT UNCAS DIVISION



After almost (2) years of not being able to play football, the Stafford/East Windsor/Somers co-op football completed the season with a record of 6 wins and 4 losses which earned a share of the Pequot League Uncas league championship.

SOMERS BOOSTER CLUB

<HTTPS://SITES.GOOGLE.COM/SITE/SOMERSCTBOOSTERCLUB>

BOOSTER CLUB PRESIDENT

Jacqui Symington

With the re-opening of the snack shack for fall sports games, followed by hosting the fall golf tournament, the Booster Club was able to continue their long tradition of fundraising for our athletic programs. Somers High School would like to thank the Booster Club for continuing to sponsor the Athlete of the Month Awards and 1st time varsity letters. The Booster Club also continues their tradition of presenting our seasonal sports videos, with a special thanks going to Stacey Colton for her continued hard work and dedication to our student athletes.



ATHLETES OF THE MONTH SPONSORED BY THE SOMERS BOOSTER CLUB

The following student athletes were nominated by their respective coaches for their outstanding accomplishments during this past winter season.

SEPTEMBER

Boys Soccer: Ryan Symington
Girls Soccer: Jamie Anthony
Field Hockey: Grace Gengenbach
Boys Cross Country: Bryce Huestis
Girls Cross Country: Dara Salka
Football: Logan Wolf

OCTOBER

Boys Soccer: Douglas Suter
Girls Soccer: Devon Dalessio
Field Hockey: Caroline Colton
Boys Cross Country: Cooper Barrett
Girls Cross Country: Lauren Zapolski
Football: Matteo Pandolfi

NOVEMBER

Boys Soccer: Patrick Brown
Girls Soccer: Kathryn Brown
Boys Cross Country: Benjamin Champion
Girls Cross Country: Rachel St. Germain
Football: Connor Marchi

1ST TIME VARSITY LETTER WINNERS
SPONSORED BY THE SOMERS BOOSTER CLUB

CRITERIA: The following student athletes have earned their first career varsity letter while participating in a varsity sport during this past fall.

GIRL'S SOCCER

Shannon Munson
Elizabeth Grondin
Avery D'Amour
Ava DePeau
Maggie Skalski
Teegan Illuzzi
Maya Serrano

BOY'S SOCCER

Kush Patel
Gunnar Harrison
David Reed
Jedric Clark
Dylan Doody
Jesse Martello

FIELD HOCKEY

Saige Corbin
Chloe Gowdy
Audrey Mahoney
McKenna Halligan
Alyssa Reynolds

BOY'S CROSS COUNTRY

Jake Breton
Bryce Huestis

GIRL'S CROSS COUNTRY

Stephanie Burzynski

FOOTBALL

Mateo Pandolphi

Logan Wolf

Christopher Francis

Tyler Kradas

NCCC ALL ACADEMIC HONORS



Somers High School and the NCCC would like to recognize our student athletes who have qualified for the NCCC Scholar Athlete award by qualifying with either high honors or honors during the fall sports season.

GIRLS SOCCER

Kaya Donah
Anna Majowicz
Grace Majowicz
Mollie Burns
Shannon Munson
Jamie Anthony
Shea Cassidy
Laura Catellier
Deidre Dalessio
Devon Dalessio
Raya Davis
Erin Donohue
Robin Gaskell
Katherine Grondin
Kiana Kalman
Halle Watt
Kathryn Brown
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Olivia Gengenbach
Grace McGuinness

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Joseph Burzynski
Gabriel Kukulka
Thomas Lafayette
Douglas Suter
Ryan Symington
Owen Argiro
Nicholas Calcasola
Gabriel D'Amour
Tristan Hogan
Thomas Lesco
David Reed
Jedric Clark
Dylan Doody
Dylan Kukulka
Jack Brayton
Declan Case
Jack Chester
Ethan Hartman
Aiden Leiphart
Cooper Leonard
Jack Olearcek
Evan Olearczyk
Nico Skalski
Jack Logan

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Cooper Barrett

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Rachel St. Germain
Ella Champion
Gracie Flynn
April Kelly
Dara Salka
Sara St. Germain
Lauren Zapolski
Stephanie Burzynski

FIELD HOCKEY

Kayla Brown
Grace Gengenbach
Grace Herrity
Emily Lawlor
Taylor McCormick
Oliveri Palmer
Emily Tardif
Amelia Carenzo
Isabella Nolasco
Amanda Tardif
Chloe Gowdy
Audrey Mahoney
McKenna Halligan
Alyssa Reynolds

Noelle Benedict
Emma Ciciarella
Rylee Ferro
Lyndsey Hale
Juliette Mira
Jocelyn Randall
Maya Serrano
Brooke Stevens

Justine Donohue
Benjamin Champion
Braden Joyal
Jake Breton
Bryce Huestis
Tait Gaudet
Cody Marks

FOOTBALL
Ryan Halligan
Eric Renzoni
Andrew Cardwell
Yani Karaja

SOMERS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS ACT COUNCIL *UPDATE*



The newly appointed SHS Class Act council has been assembled for the 2021-22 school year, with members looking forward to developing new ideas and potential programs in promoting school spirit and good sportsmanship.

Council Leaders: Emily Lawlor, Grace Majowicz

Council Members: Anna Majowicz, Rachel St. Germain, Cooper Barrett, Douglas Suter, Gracie Flynn, Benjamin Champion, Halle Watt

SUMMARY

Once again, Somers High School would like to everyone for all of the support and dedication to our fall sports student athletes, as our athletes were able to experience a full fall sports season.