

NORTHBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL
BOYS LACROSSE

2006 Game Scores, Notes and Archives

9-9 Regular Season Record

Qualified for Tournament

(lost first round to Shrewsbury)

4 All Stars

Jim Young (1st team)

Matt Miller (2nd team)

Tyler Martin (2nd team)

Bryan Warchol (2nd team)

2 Players in Senior All-Star Game

Matt Miller

Jimmy Young

1 T&G Super Team

Jimmy Young

Team Scoring Leaders

Joe Vespa 39-19-58

Jimmy Young 30-10-40

Matt Miller 22-9-31

Andrew Gawlak 15-5-20

Scott Dube 12-6-18

Bryan Warchol 8-6-14

TeJay Morell 8-1-9

Kevin Duquette 3-3-6

Joe Morealle 5-0-5

Goalie

Bryan Burdick 9-4

.671 Save %

2006 Game Re-Caps

6/1: St Bernard's 8 Northbridge 5 The Rams lose their final regular season game to a tough St Bernard's team. The St Bernard goalie stopped a ton (14, 7 in the 2nd quarter) of Northbridge shots to preserve the win. Northbridge did spread out the scoring with Gawlak, Miller, Young, Morell and Milner scoring. Northbridge will play Shrewsbury this Saturday in the CMASS tourney.

5/25: North Middlesex 7 Northbridge 5 The Rams gave up a 5-1 lead in the second half to lose this one, Northbridge is feeling the effects of not having a deep bench late in the season. Jimmy Young had 3 goals to lead Northbridge. Sophomore Kevin Milner and freshman Mike Padro each scored a goal to round out the Rams scoring. Northbridge has some time off before hosting St Bernard's Thursday June 1st at Lasell field at 2:30 PM.

5/24: Northbridge 12 Bellingham 3 Despite missing two starters Northbridge looked strong against Bellingham. Senior Captain Matt Miller had 5 goals, while Jimmy Young and Joe Morealle had 2 each. Bryan Warchol was all over the place as a L/S midie and chipped in a goal. Rounding out the scoring was Kevin Duquette 1G 1A, TeJay Morell 1G 1A, Aaron Phobe 1A and Mike Padro 1A. The defense played well and Bryan Burdick had 10 saves in net. It was good to see some of the young guys step up today. CONGRATS ON MAKING THE CMASS TOURNAMNET DESPITE ALL OF THE ISSUES WE'VE DEALT WITH THIS YEAR. OUR FIRST GOAL WAS TO GO .500 AND WE HAVE DONE THAT!

5/20: BVT 9 Northbridge 5

5/18: Northbridge played as a team today and rolled to a 13-8 win over Leominster. The entire team "clicked" and made very little mistakes to get the win. Jimmy Young led all scorers with 4 goals and 2 assists. Scott Dube (3G 2A) and Joe Vespa (2G 3A) each had 5 points while Matt Miller (1G 1A), Andrew Gawlak (1G), Bryan Warchol (1G) Joe Morealle (1G) and Kevin Duquette (1A) all helped out in the effort. Bryan Burdick had 15 saves and runs his record to 8-2 on the season. Northbridge will look to redeem themselves from a bad showing against BVT last week with a game @ BVT 11:00 AM on Saturday.

5/16: Northbridge got the win against Grafton 11-4. Northbridge opened the score up to 8-1 at the half and cruised from there. Joe Vespa (3G 2A) continued his scoring barrage while Andrew Gawlak (2G), Bryan Warchol (2G 2A), Matt Miller (2G 2A), Jimmy Young (3A) Scott Dube (1G 1A) and Kevin Duquette (1G) spread the wealth around in the scoring department. Bryan Burdick had 9 saves and improves his record to 7-2 for the season. Northbridge looks to avenge a loss to Leominster tomorrow night under the lights at home and come one game closer to our goal of making the Central Mass tournament.

5/15: Northbridge held on to beat a physical Foxboro team 7-6 in triple overtime. Northbridge let a 4 goal lead go and let Foxboro tie the game with under 2 min left to force overtime. The defense stepped up in overtime, killing two penalties and allowing Joe Vespa (4G 3A) to win the face off at the beginning of the 3rd OT and take it down and score on a "knuckle ball" shot from just inside the box to win. Matt Miller, Jimmy Young and TeJay Morell all had one goal. Bryan Burdick had 14 saves.

5/11: The Rams lost a battle 10-8 to Shrewsbury tonight. At one point Northbridge had a 4 goal lead and let it slip away. Jimmy Young led in scoring with 3G and 1A. Andrew Gawlak has continued his hot streak with 3 goals and Joe Vespa scored his 29 and 30th goal of the season. THIS WAS A WELL PLAYED GAME BY THE RAMS, we just didn't protect our lead. Northbridge will travel to play EMass upstart Foxboro on Monday afternoon.

5/9: Northbridge pulled off a great 11-10 win over Groton-Dunstable in the rain to bring their record back to .500 for the season. Bryan Burdick returned to goal and looked like he never left, making 21 saves. Joe Vespa pumped in 7 goals, including the game winner with under 2:00 left in the game. Jimmy Young tied the game at 10-10 with just over 3:00 remaining. Andrew Gawlak had a good day at attack with 2G and 2A. Matt Miller added 1 goal too. Northbridge has to win 4 of their next 8 to make it to the tournament. Northbridge plays a big game Thursday night @ 7:00 PM on Lasell field against Central Mass B league foe Shrewsbury. JV won their game 11-4 and now stand at 4-4 on the season.

5/6: Northbridge lost 10-3 to BVT. Northbridge needs to turn the season around and win 5 of final 9 games to advance to the playoffs.

5/4 Northbridge lost to St Bernard's 13-7 to bring their season record to .500 at 4-4. Northbridge played well, but we let up to many easy goals and made some mistakes on defense that cost us. Joe Vespa had 2G and 1A to add to his team leading scoring total. Scott Dube (2G 1A) Bryan Warchol (1G 1A) Andrew Gawlak (1G) and Matt Miller (1G) scored. Northbridge has a game on Saturday night against nearby rival BVT @ 7:00 PM.

4/27 Northbridge started off slow and let 5 goals in the net during the 1st quarter. The offense couldn't get going and this led to a 9-4 loss to Leominster. Joe Vespa had 2 goal and 1 assist and Bryan Warchol and Scott Dube chipped in 1 each. Northbridge is dealing with the injuries to Bryan Burdick and TeJay Morell and we hope to come together as a team and grind out some wins while waiting for them to recover. NORTHBRIDGE WILL NOT GIVE UP!

JV won 10-4 to run their record to 2-1 on the season, Good Work guys!

4/25 The Rams won both the physical and scoring battle as they come out on the plus side of a 11-5 score over Grafton. From the start, the game was physical and this allowed Grafton some opportunities to score. Joe Vespa tacked on 3 goals and Scott Dube scored twice in 37 seconds to pull away. Bryan Burdick and the defense played well, but they too got caught up in the physicality of the game. Other scorers were: Andrew Gawlak, Matt Miller, Bryan Warchol and TeJay Morell. Northbridge will look to avenge last years loss to Leominster this Thursday @ Leominster High School 3:30 PM. NOTE: Game will be played at Leominster HS, not the field we played at last year.

4/19 Northbridge couldn't score in the 4th quarter and ended up losing today 10-7 to North Middlesex. One positive thing that came out of the game was that we had 6 different goal scorers. The Rams will need to come together as a TEAM and get ready to rebound next week as they have 2 league games against Grafton and Leominster on the road. On a side note the JV team picked up their first win yesterday 6-2 against North Middlesex!

4/13 Northbridge rolls again on the strength of its defense and Bryan Burdick. The rams started slow again, but finished with a solid second half to win 7-5 over Shrewsbury. Matt Miller had 3 goals and 1 assist to lead scoring. Joe Vespa and Jimmy Young each chipped in 2 goals on the afternoon. Northbridge will look to avenge 3 losses last year to North Middlesex this Tuesday at home @ 11 AM.

4/11 The Rams earn a big win today against Groton-Dunstable! They dominated ground balls and possession in the second half to overcome a 1 goal halftime defect. Joe Vespa had 6 goals and 6 ground balls to lead the way. Jimmy Young had 3 goals and 10 ground balls. Matt Miller and TeJay Morell also scored for Northbridge. The defense (Mahoney, LeBel, Martin, Forget, Cipelowski and Russell) continue to play at a high level. Bryan Burdick had some great saves once again. Northbridge travels to 2-0 Shrewsbury on Thursday.

4/8 Northbridge overcame a very sloppy start to end up defeating Bellingham 15-1. As the score indicates, the defense was great. Joe Vespa led scoring with 4 goals and 4 assist and both Jimmy Young and Matt Miller chipped in 3 goals and 2 assists. Scott Dube was our "go to" man on face-offs and scored 2 goals and 1 assist. The other scorers were: Andrew Gawlak, Joe Morealle and TeJay Morell. Bryan Burdick saved 6 of 7 shots and made some great clear passes. Bryan Warchol had several chances to score but still chipped in with 5 ground balls. Northbridge has no time to revel in this win as they face their perennial "monkey on our back" Groton-Dunstable @ home on Tuesday 3:30 PM.

4/4 Northbridge has informed the Worcester AD that we forfeit the game played on 4/4 against Worcester. Northbridge won the game 16-2, but a player that was academically ineligible played in the game for Northbridge. That player scored a one goal. As soon as this mistake was discovered, it was reported to the MIAA. Hopefully we can go forward from here and win 9 games out of 17 to make our way back to the tournament. The score of the Worcester vs Northbridge game is officially 1-0 Worcester.

3/31 Northbridge managed an upset as they beat Worcester Academy in a scrimmage today. It was a TEAM EFFORT and that's what allowed us to pull it off! Joe Vespa (1 G 2 A) scored with 20 seconds left to put the score to 8-7 and that's how it ended. Jimmy Young was ALL OVER THE PLACE with 4 goals and 11 ground balls. Dube, Gawlak and Miller all chipped in one goal apiece to help with the effort. The defense was very strong, including the L/S effort. Burdick was very tough in goal. Northbridge is eager to start it season this Tuesday @ Worcester. (3:30 Foley Stadium)

3/25 Northbridge played very well against St Peter Marian in a scrimmage today. Northbridge won on a sudden death overtime goal scored by Jimmy Young. All in all Northbridge showed that they have improved as a team over last year. Now the test is in translating that into wins this season.