

Oct. 20 Boys Soccer

Novak's shutout goaltending can't spare Hornets from MCT loss

Oct. 20: The Hamilton West boys' soccer team didn't give up without a fight in trying to make their first win a Mercer County Tournament triumph.

But after 100 minutes of scoreless soccer in regulation and two overtimes, Lawrence won the shootout, 4-2, to win today's MCT play-in game at Lawrence.

Playing with freshman John Novak in the nets, Hamilton (0-14-1) extended the Cardinals (4-9-1) to the limit thanks to 14 saves by Novak.

"He played an outstanding game," said coach Mark "Goose" Laurenti.

Nottingham drops third straight in loss to Hightstown

As Nottingham prepares for Saturday's 2 p.m. MCT first-round game with Robbinsville, it will need to rebuild some of the momentum it had earlier this season.

The Northstars dropped their third straight game today, as host Hightstown took a 2-1 victory to drop Nottingham to 8-5.

Luca deStasio had the 'Stars goal, while Mike Conte made five saves in the nets. Hightstown (10-4-1) won it on a second-half goal.