

SION

SION STORM FIELD HOCKEY ARCHIVES - 2012



Front Row (L to R): Shannon Laird, Maggie McLiney

Second Row (L to R): Georgia Thompson, Nicole McMindes, Olivia Enright, Dana Rozell, Maggie Keenan, Madison Hummel, Kristen Murphy, Hanna Meek, Emily Schnitker, Megan Neisius

Third Row (L to R): Abby Warrington, Katie Kentfield, Sydney Daniels, Renae Rogge, Zoey Sweeny, Maria Wagner, Meredith Sanders, Harper Lanning, Hannah Panjada, Lauren Redmond, Isabel Grojean, Maggie Kane

Fourth Row (L to R): Abbey Valentine, Katie Donnelly, Emma Romano, Jordan Hermes, Jessica Korth, Maddie Kahl, Carolyn Crowe, Claire Magsamen, Sara Watkins, Emmie Gibbar, Laney Ulowetz, Becca Renton, Sarah Bradshaw, Emma Holland

Field Hockey News

2012 Sion Field Hockey Awards

Varsity

Offensive Player of the Year - Megan Neisius
Defensive Player of the Year - Maggie Keenan
Most Improved Player - Carolyn Crowe
Most Valuable Player - Kristen Murphy
Players' Player Award - Kristen Murphy

Junior Varsity

Offensive Player of the Year - Maddie Kahl
Defensive Player of the Year - Emmie Gibbar
Most Improved Player - Emma Romano
Rookie of the Year - Abi Valentine
Most Valuable Player - Zoey Sweeny
Players' Player Award - Renae Rogge

Both the varsity and jv field hockey teams were victorious over St. Thomas Aquinas in the last game of the season. The varsity team won 4-0 and the jv won 2-0.

9/11/12 Sion vs. Pembroke Hill

Sion Varsity left it until the last touch of the game to clinch a season opening win against in town rival Pembroke Hill. With home field advantage and a vociferous band of supporters the Storm started sluggishly but eventually found their rhythm. The game was end to end in the initial period with both teams having goal mouth opportunities, freshman Jordan Hermes in her first ever game came closest for the Storm.

The Raiders of Pembroke Hill were first on the scoreboard, scoring from a penalty corner, but the lead lasted only a few minutes with the Storm leveling with a strike from Junior Kristen Murphy. With the scores tied at half time, the second half saw a much improved performance from the home team; there were notable defensive displays from Nicole McMIndes and Maggie Keenan, whilst Kristen Murphy was pulling the strings in midfield.

The game was frantic leading into the final moments with the Raiders calling a team timeout with less than 5 minutes on the clock. Both teams were surely preparing for penalty strokes with seconds remaining on the clock. A quickly taken free hit from the energetic Megan Neisius inside the 25 led to a penalty corner with time expiring. The whole team apart from goalkeeper Meredith Sanders was pushed up around the circle. Although the initial shot was blocked, the Raiders were unable to clear and the impressive Isabel Grojean was the hero of the hour knocking the ball into the goal to start the wild team celebrations!

The JV opened up their campaign with a deserved 0-0 tie, with freshman goalkeeper Emmie Gibbar recording a shutout in her first game. Maddie Kahl, Abby Valentine and Carolyn Crowe also had notable performances in their first competitive games for the Sion Storm. The future is bright for the field hockey team.

9/15/12 Sion C-Team vs. Nerinx Hall

Sion welcomed the Markers of Nerinx Hall, St. Louis to a match played at Pembroke Hill's home ground. It was the first ever game of field hockey for the majority of the team, and the team absorbed a lot of pressure before settling into their individual roles and responsibilities. Maddie Kahl showed some great bursts of her speed in the forward line, and Emma Romano tackled and intercepted in defense whilst Zoey Sweeny and Abbey Valentine pressed and distributed the ball in midfield.

The Storm dominated the second half with multiple penalty corners, shots on goals and a missed penalty stroke, but the Markers stood firm! The game was winding down to a 0-0 tie in the final minutes when a breakaway led to Nerinx Hall pickpocketing a goal from the Storm, and the game ended 1-0 to the visitors. But a great first outing for the Sion C-Team!

9/19/12 Sion C & JV Team @ St Thomas Aquinas

The Sion Storm travelled across State Line to Kansas for the first ever field hockey game to be played at St Thomas Aquinas' brand new turf field. The C-Team was up first against the Saints and thoroughly dominated field advantage but struggled to convert ball possession into goals on the board. Zoey Sweeny scored at the midway point of the first half, reacting first to a ball rebounding off the post from the initial shot from Meredith Sanders. The 2nd half was much the same until Hanna Panjada swept in shot off the goalkeepers pads from an initial drilled pass from Renae Rogge.

The JV team came up against an older and experienced Saints Varsity team, but more than held their own, and were unlucky to come away on the losing side. The Saints scored first from a fast breakaway down the right hand channel. With the left winger out pacing the covering defense before finishing neatly and the near post. The Storm reply was not far behind with a far post tap in during a goal mouth scramble, with the goal scored by Laney Ulowetz. The Saints converted a penalty corner and the Storm were unable to level the score, and the game ended 2-1 to the jubilant Saints team on their home turf!

9/20/12 Sion JV & Varsity @ Pembroke Hill

The Sion Storm shook off their disappointment from the previous afternoon's result to put in a battling display against the Raiders. The home team scored first from a penalty corner, but were soon level with a goal from the hard working Maria Wagner. The home team though they had come away with the win in the final few seconds of the game when the ball ended up in the Sion goal, but the ball wasn't touched inside the circle and the decision was overturned. The game ended moments later a 1-1 tie.

The Varsity enjoyed early possession and Kristen Murphy gave another assured display in the center of midfield, but were unable to convert their early dominance in front of goal. Maggie Keenan and the rest of the defense held firm to deny the Raiders and game went into half time tied at 0-0. The Raiders came out strong in the second half and were soon on the board from a penalty corner. Both teams had further chances to score but the Raiders held on for a 1-0 win.

9/24/12 Sion C Team @ Pembroke Hill

Maddie Kahl scored the solitary goal for the Sion Storm C team, but ended on the wrong side of a 2-1 final score. In a highly competitive match, Laney Ulowetz was commanding in midfield whilst Katie Donnelly provided an MVP performance in defense, with some tough tackling and some nice attacking runs down the left hand channel.

9/26/12 Sion C & JV Team vs. St Thomas Aquinas

Renaë Rogge was the star of the show for the c-team contest against the Saints. Pushing further up the field from her normal defensive duties, Rogge dominated the midfield and distributing the ball to the rest of her teammates. She was rewarded from an early penalty corner with a powerful drive to start the scoring. The Saints leveled the score before the ever improving Maddie Kahl regained the lead and the Storm were unlucky not to extend the score line into half time, being denied twice by the post. Both teams ran out of steam in the second half, but the Storm ran out worthy winners 2-1.

The JV improved their previous performance against the Saints. Closing down free hits early and circling the Saints 16yd hits to pen the opposition in their own half for long periods of the game. Lauren Redmond oozed class up front whilst Harper Lanning and Abbey Warrington were organized in defense. The Storm had seven 2nd half penalty corners but were thwarted by the Saints defense, and the scoreline remained a 0-0 stalemate at the final whistle.

9/28 Oklahoma Festival - Oklahoma City

Luckily, the predicted thunderstorms stayed away for the visit of the field hockey to the beautiful campuses of Heritage Hall and Casady in Oklahoma City! The varsity was up first with a whirlwind performance that didn't reflect the 1-0 winning scoreline. With a total of 14 penalty corners and a combined 9 shots on goal, the Storm were denied time again by the Chargers read guard and impressive GK. Zoey Sweeny was denied her first Varsity goal, firing into the goalie from close range. Megan Neisius showed some neat touches, but was again denied and ran into the brick wall charger defense. Kristen Murphy finally broke the deadlock late in the game for a thoroughly deserved win!

The team travelled the short distance to Casady for the JV game. Amidst the carnival atmosphere, the Storm dominated the possession but were unable to convert their dominance into goals. Meredith Sanders was industrious in midfield, being unleashed from the shackles of her usual goalkeeper pads. Laney Ulowetz and Maddie Kahl showed their speed in attack, and Maddie was unlucky to see a first half break away strike go wide of the onrushing Cyclones GK. Katie Donnelly and Emma Romano were combative in defense, and the overall team performance pleased the varsity and travelling support in the grandstands! The game ended in a 0-0 tie.

9/29 Oklahoma Festival - Oklahoma City

Both Varsity and JV pushed back at the same time on separate fields against Casady and Heritage Hall respectively in the drizzle of Oklahoma on Saturday morning. The Varsity started sluggishly and quickly conceded a goal from a penalty corner against a very organized home team. The game was in danger of slipping away early when a second goal was conceded, but the team regrouped and finally woke up from their slumber with a well taken goal from the tenacious Emily Schnitker, who stole possession from the Cyclone left back, drove into the circle and unleashed a powerful drive between the pads of the goalkeeper.

The second half was a cagey affair and the Storm absorbed numerous penalty corners, and had a couple of scoring opportunities themselves. Meghan Neisius released Georgia Thompson from the half way line with only the goalkeeper to beat, but saw her shot saved. The 2nd half remained scoreless and the game ended 2-1 to the home team.

With back to back games, Sion Storm utilized their entire squad against the Dutch of Holland Hall, Tulsa, who were playing their first game of the weekend. Both teams had scoring opportunities, with Meghan Neisius and Lauren Redmond leading the attack, whilst Kristen Murphy and Isabel Grojean controlled the midfield. Freshmen Carolyn Crowe, Jordan Hermes and Laney Ulowetz gained valuable experience, whilst Nicole McMIndes and Meredith Sanders kept the Dutch at bay and recorded their second shutout of the weekend with a 0-0 tie.

The JV team showed great resilience and perseverance in their early morning contest against Heritage Hall. Harper Lanning, Abby Warrington and freshman GK Emmie Gibbar were outstanding in defense, whilst Zoey Sweeny and Maddie Kahl were industrious in offense. Maria Wagner scored the lone goal to run out worthy winners 1-0.

A quick turnaround in between games saw another close contest with the Dutch of Holland Hall, but were unable to convert their chances in to goals, and were unlucky to come away on the wrong end of a 1-0 result.

10/4/12 Sion C Team vs. Pembroke Hill

The dip in temperatures certainly made it feel like Fall had arrived, the Sion Storm C team took a while to warm up and the first half was a scrappy affair. It was all one way traffic but the Storm absorbed the Raiders attacks and were lucky to go into half time only 1-0 down. The second half was much livelier for the Storm and Maddie Kahl was unlucky not to convert a couple of one on one chances against Pembroke Hill's goalkeeper. Sara Watkins finally scored the tying goal in a goal mouth scramble. The game ended in a satisfactory 1-1 tie.

10/6/12 Sion vs. Heritage Hall

Sion came up against the Heritage Hall Chargers of Oklahoma for the second time in a week, this time on the neutral site of Pembroke Hill. Missing a couple of regular starters, it was a great opportunity for a few younger players to see some Varsity playing time. It was nearly a great introduction for Maddie Kahl who was unlucky not to convert a couple of goal mouth chances, whilst Laney Ulowetz and Jordan Hermes showed some nice touches.

Similar to the previous week's encounter, the Storm were wasteful in front of goal, either hitting the Charger goalkeeper or the outside netting before the impressive and illusive Meghan Neisius finally broke the deadlock with a great solo effort, tucking the ball into the far corner past the onrushing goalie.

The second half was much the same, with many a wasted opportunity before the ever dependable Kristen Murphy, had two near identical goals with powerful drives from the left hand side of the circle through a crowd of players. The defensive unit of Keenan, McMIndes, Crowe and Lanning were again impervious, giving Meredith Sanders another shutout to her name, and Hanna Meek was aggressive in a more forward position. Final score 3-0 Storm!

The JV game was a closer contest as both teams tried to keep warm in the cold wind. The Storm edged the penalty corner count 9 to 2 against the Chargers but failed to capitalize on their opportunities. Both teams were locked in a scoreless deadlock, before the Zoey Sweeny pounced on a loose ball at the top of the circle with 6 minutes left to play, and managed to keep their opponents at bay for the remainder of the game to win 1-0.

Notre Dame de Sion 2012 Field Hockey Roster

Varsity

Number	Athlete	Position
2	Georgia Thompson	Forward
3	Emily Schnitker	Midfield
4	Madison Hummel	Midfield
6	Jordan Hermes	Forward
7	Maggie Keenan	Defense
12	Meredith Sanders	Goalkeeper
13	Lauren Redmond	Forward
14	Shannon Laird	Midfield
16	Maggie McLiney	Forward
17	Nicole McMindes	Defense
18	Hanna Meek	Defense
20	Carolyn Crowe	Defense
22	Kristen Murphy	Midfield
26	Dana Rozell	Midfield
27	Megan Neisius	Forward
35	Isabel Grojean	Defense
40	Harper Lanning	Defense
45	Olivia Enright	Forward

Junior Varsity

Number	Athlete	Position
5	Hannah Panjada	Forward
8	Abby Warrington	Defense
9	Laney Ulowetz	Midfield
10	Katie Kentfield	Midfield
11	Zoey Sweeny	Forward
15	Sydney Daniels	Midfield
19	Maddie Kahl	Forward
21	Jessica Korth	Midfield
23	Becca Renton	Defense
24	Katie Donnelly	Defense
25	Renae Rogge	Defense
28	Maria Wagner	Forward
29	Sara Watkins	Forward
31	Emma Holland	Defense
32	Emmie Gibbar	Goalkeeper
33	Emma Romano	Defense
34	Claire Magsamen	Defense
39	Abby Valentine	Midfield

Notre Dame de Sion 2012 Field Hockey Results

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 11 (Tues)	Pembroke Hill (jv)	T 0-0
Sept. 11 (Tues)	Pembroke Hill (v)	W 2-1
Sept. 15 (Sat)	Nerinx Hall c	L 1-0
Sept. 19 (Wed)	St Thomas Aquinas c	W 2-0
Sept. 19 (Wed)	St Thomas Aquinas (jv)	L 2-1
Sept. 20 (Thurs)	Pembroke Hill (jv)	T 1-1
Sept. 20 (Thurs)	Pembroke Hill (v)	L 2-1
Sept. 24 (Mon)	Pembroke Hill c	L 1-0
Sept. 26 (Wed)	St Thomas Aquinas c	W 2-1
Sept. 26 (Wed)	St Thomas Aquinas (jv)	T 0-0
Sept. 28 (Fri)	Heritage Hall (v)	W 1-0
Sept. 28 (Fri)	Casady (jv)	T 0-0
Sept. 29 (Sat)	Casady (v)	L 2-1
Sept. 29 (Sat)	Heritage Hall (jv)	W 1-0
Sept. 29 (Sat)	Holland Hall (v)	T 1-1
Sept. 29 (Sat)	Holland Hall (jv)	L 1-0
Oct. 4 (Thurs)	Pembroke Hill c	T 1-1
Oct. 6 (Sat)	Heritage Hall (v)	W 3-0
Oct. 6 (Sat)	Heritage Hall (jv)	W 1-0
Oct. 10 (Wed)	St Thomas Aquinas c	W 1-0
Oct. 10 (Wed)	St Thomas Aquinas (v)	T 2-2
Oct. 16 (Tues)	Pembroke Hill (v)	T 2-2
Oct. 16 (Tues)	Pembroke Hill c	L 4-1
Oct. 18 (Thurs)	Pembroke Hill (jv)	T 0-0
Oct. 19 (Fri)	Cor Jesu (v)	L 5-0
Oct. 19 (Fri)	Cor Jesu (jv)	L 6-0
Oct. 20 (Sat)	MICDS (v)	L 6-0
Oct. 20 (Sat)	Edwardsville (jv)	L 4-0
Oct. 20 (Sat)	Edwardsville (v)	L 3-0
Oct. 20 (Sat)	Ursuline (jv)	L 3-1
Oct. 20 (Sat)	Whitfield (v)	L 5-0
Oct. 23 (Tues)	Pembroke Hill (jv)	L 1-0

Oct. 23 (Tues)	Pembroke Hill (v)	L 1-0
Oct. 24 (Wed)	St Thomas Aquinas (jv)	W 2-0
Oct. 24 (Wed)	St Thomas Aquinas (v)	W 4-0