Wildcats breeze past Basehor-Linwood for third straight win



Louisburg's Hayli Detherage gets a hug from teammate Camdyn Clark (7), while Mackenzie Scholtz is all smiles, following Detherage's goal in the Wildcats' 9-1 win over Basehor-Linwood on Friday in Louisburg.

It has been a week full of revenge for the Louisburg girls soccer team and its latest victim Friday was Basehor-Linwood.

After falling to the Bobcats last season, Louisburg made amends from last year's loss as the Wildcats rolled to an easy 9-1 victory in Louisburg after scoring six first half goals. Earlier in the week, Louisburg downed Harmon to get payback from a defeat last season.

"We had to survive some injuries and kids missing games the past two weeks so it was nice to get a lot of kids repetitions in game situations," Louisburg coach Kyle Conley said. "We started off a little slow, but then the girls remembered our scouting report and what their responsibilities were. We played well, attacked and moved pretty well off of the ball. I thought we did a nice job."

Scoring wasn't a problem for the Wildcats as the team's top two scorers, senior Bailey Belcher and sophomore Mackenzie

Scholtz, each finished the game with a hat trick. Louisburg was able to shred the Basehor-Linwood defense for several chances on goal.

The Wildcats (7-3) also had a handful of one-on-one opportunities with the Basehor goalkeeper, many of which found the back of the net.

“I felt we did a fantastic job taking what they gave us,” Conley said. “The girls were prepped on what they would give us and I think they made a lot of good reads. Our speed of play was a factor as well. I think that the Basehor game was where we left off against Harmon. We came out attacking and moved the ball well.”

The combo of Scholtz and Belcher got going early in the match when Scholtz scored in the fifth minute on an assist Belcher.

Louisburg added another goal in the 24th minute on a shot from sophomore Erin Lemke.

Louisburg would then score three goals in the next five minutes. Junior Hayli Detherage scored on a nice move to the goal and then Scholtz followed that up with back-to-back scores to complete her hat trick and gave Louisburg a 5-0 lead.



Louisburg senior Savannah Reinhart (2) scored a goal to end the Wildcats' 9-1 win over Basehor.

Belcher added one more goal for Louisburg before halftime to give the Wildcats a six-goal advantage. She added another score nine minutes into the second half before Basehor-Linwood ended the shutout with a goal of its own.

In the 62nd minute, sophomore Trinity Moore assisted Belcher on her third goal of the match and senior Savannah Reinhart sealed the win for Louisburg with the team's final score in the 72nd minute.

The victory ended what was a busy stretch for the Wildcats as they played three matches in five days and outscored their opponents 17-1 in those three games.

"When we are healthy, playing for each other and letting the ball do the work, we can be really good," Conley said. "I

think the girls are figuring that out and we are a lot of fun to watch right now. With all of the injuries, we were able to get a lot of different kids in and allowing them to gain game experience will help us in the long run. Our defense is playing extremely well right now and they allow us to focus on our attacking and pressure. It was a fun three game week."

Louisburg is back in action today when it travels to Baldwin. Varsity will play at 4 p.m., with the junior varsity to follow.