

# TWIBC SPORTS

## THIS WEEK IN BERGEN CATHOLIC SPORTS

Crusader Crazy's in Mid-Season Form on the Road



Photo courtesy of Joe Haemerle

## Crazy About Their Crusaders

### CRUSADER FOOTBALL LEAVES PA QUAKING AS DEFENSE DOMINATES IMHOTEP IN SEASON OPENER

**September 7 – Philadelphia, PA** – The day finally arrived. After a seemingly interminably long preseason, BC's football team opened on the road vs. Imhotep Charter of Philadelphia. While the Crusaders, whose Game 1 was "hurricaned" out in Fort Lauderdale last week, the home team was scrapping against two of the nation's top teams in LaSalle College Prep (PA) and DeMatha (DC).

It was an awesome defensive effort as BC held the home team to -6 yards rushing on the day, while racking up 223

yards on the ground. Ryan Butler led the Crusaders with 120 yards on 19 carries for a 6.3 yards per carry average.

Ryan Butler running strong on Saturday night!



The offensive line of Bryan Felter, Jack Syslo, Joe Matone, Pat Collichio, Ethan Lang and Joe Aniello helped to open holes and create enough room for BC's four different rushers to find pay dirt.

Sophomore Steven Angeli looking for the endzone



#56 Joe Matone and #9 Ryan Butler lead the way.



Sophomore QB, Steven Angeli opened the scoring with an 8 yard TD run. The PAT failed. After Imhotep tied the score in the first, Felter blocked the PAT.

All the scoring would be done by the Crusaders from that point forward. John Rust score on a twenty-yard score in the second quarter and a 12-6 lead BC would never relinquish.

Esquire Boyce scored a five yard TD on a well-designed counter play that had the entire Imhotep defense going right, while Boyce slashed outside the left end all alone into the end zone. Andrew Boel put the finishing touches on the game as he punched in a fourth quarter score from the 1.



John Rust  
running with power for BC.

On this night, however, THE GUY was Tywone Malone. Malone was spectacular with 1 solo TFL, 2 assisted TFLs and 2 solo sacks.



Ty Malone getting a breather between defensive series.

Javon Cruz, AJ Longo and Equire Boyce shot things down from their linebacker positions and Jed DeNobile, Sincere Watkins, Ben Manuelian Devon Vernon and Jordan Morant helped to shut the door on Imhotep.



#8 Javon Cruz and #15 AJ Longo searching out the ball.



Andrew Boel looking deep.

But that was really only half the story. Defensively, BC was nothing short of awesome. Jeremiah Grant and DJ Samuels were ferocious on the defensive line, as was Gabriel Mendez who finished with 1 solo tackle for a loss (TFL) and two assisted TFLs.



Gabriel Mendez with a solo tackle on Saturday night.

This was BC's first meeting with Imhotep, but its sixth meeting with a Pennsylvania HS. The Crusaders are now 8-1 vs. schools from the state of brotherly love.



BC has a bye next week and will open their home season on Saturday, September 21 vs. St. Peter's Prep.



# Crusader Soccer Opens with Solid Performance

**September 4 – Oradell, NJ** – The 2019 Crusaders opened their quest for a fifth consecutive twelve-plus-win season for Coach Pete Berkanish on Wednesday as they opened with the Knights from Bergen Tech.



Strong-armed Nick Shannon sending in a 40 yarder.

The opener went as planned for the Crusaders who dominated possession for much of the game. Christian Milone opened the scoring for BC off an assist from Allen Villafranca who finished with 1 goal and 2 assists. Villafranca's goal was a thing of beauty.

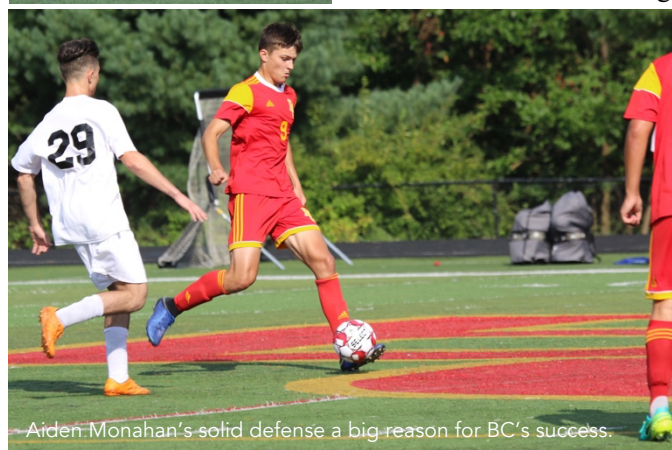


Senior Allen Villafranca is very dangerous with the ball in the middle of the field.



Nick Schwake scored his first varsity goal in the opener.

The Black Knights gave him too much space from about 30 yards out directly in front of the goal. Allen turned, fired and found the top right hand corner of the goal and the keeper had absolutely no chance. Sophomore, Nick Schwake assisted Villafranca and punched one by the BT netminder and Eddie Payan finished off the scoring.

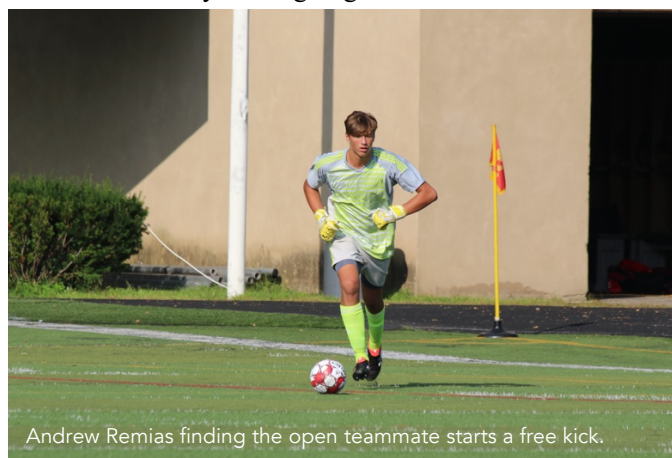


Aiden Monahan's solid defense a big reason for BC's success.



Owen Fizulich playing the ball and his opponent perfectly in the corner.

Solid goalie play, helped BC as Andrew Remias made three saves and Ryan Langberg added one.



Andrew Remias finding the open teammate starts a free kick.



## Crusader JV Soccer Tripped Up 2-3

**September 4 – Hackensack, NJ** – BC gave a strong effort, but came up just short against Bergen Tech in their season opener. Alexander Lupu and Jimmy Ralph scored BC's goals and they were set up by Michael Remschel and Ryan Finizio. Kyle Tencza made four saves and Erick Valdez made a pair of saves as well to keep BC in the game.

## Frosh Soccer Posts Shutout vs Rams

**September 4 – Ramsey, NJ** – BC travelled north on Route 17 to visit Ramsey HS on Wednesday. Ryan Loughlin opened his high school career in a BIG way with a hat trick. Javier Torres also netted his first career goal as a Crusader. Gabe Torres made three saves and Daniel Morales added one to combine for the shutout for the Crusaders.

## Frosh Curb Bulldogs in Marquee Matchup

**September 5 – Wayne, NJ** – Two of North Jersey's top freshman teams matched up on Thursday and the Crusaders edged Passaic County Tech 2-1. Liam Chin was the offensive star of the game, scoring a pair of goals. He was set up by Ryan Loughlin who scored his fourth point in two games. The Crusader keepers were really the story of the game though as Gabe Torres made five saves and Daniel Morales added seven to hold PCTI to just 1 goal in 13 shots (a combined .923 Save Pct).

Powerful Jeremiah Grant getting a good pass rush on Saturday night.



Ty Malone selling out to make the play.



Esquire Boyce strolls into the endzone on a beautifully designed counter play..



Jed DeNobile cuts down the Imhotep ball carrier with a beautiful hawk tackle.



Coach Campanile talks it over with Coaches Carti and Germano.



John Rust getting a lift from Bryan Felter after scoring his first TD of the season.



HEY! HEY! HEY! Nothing better than hearing the Alma Mater (*Lead On Bergen Catholic High*) sung by the team and the Crazies after each game!