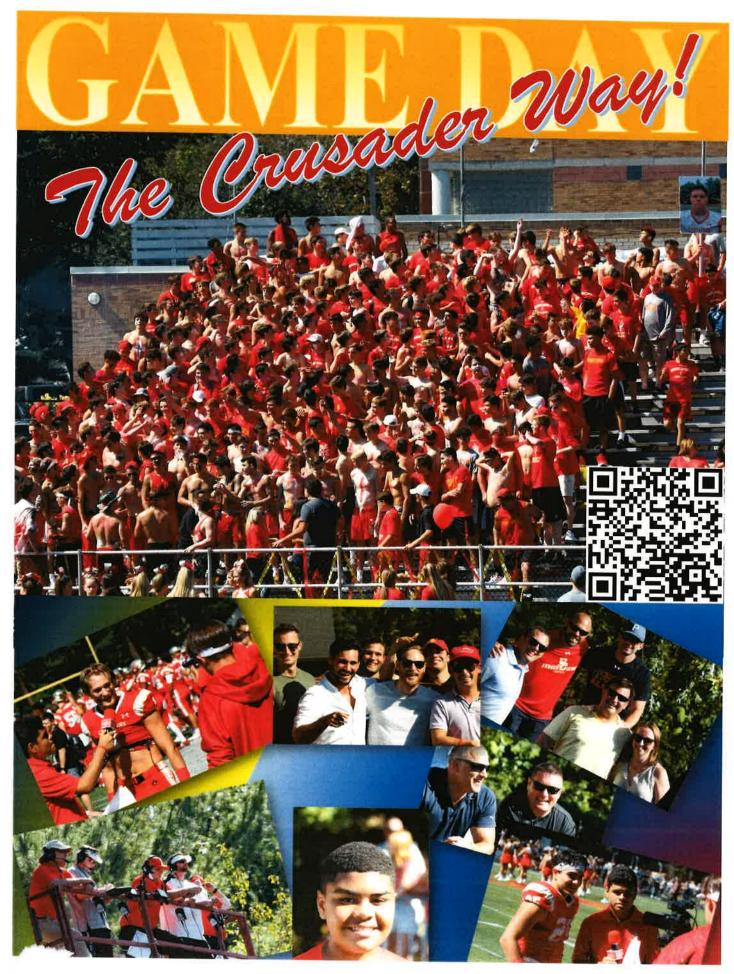
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Crusaders Look to Break Thru Against St. Peter's Prep



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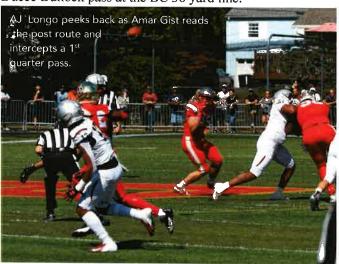
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## #3 Crusaders Take on #2 Marauders in Home Opener

**September 21 – Oradell, NJ** – Sunshine. Alumni. Crazies Galore! Put a phenomenal game on top of it and you had all the makings of a perfect day for BC...almost.

The Crusaders played an epic football game against rival St. Peter's Prep of Jersey City. One of the nation's top games and the top game in the state of New Jersey did not disappoint. It was a high school football game in which 63 points were scored and the lead changed 7 times, with the final lead change taking place with just 24 seconds remaining in the game.

The first Crusader scoring drive began when Amar Gist undercut a St. Peter's Prep receiver and intercepted a Tahj Ducee Bullock pass at the BC 36 yard line.



The ensuing drive would account for 64 yards and culminate with a 34-yard Ryan Butler touchdown run. The PAT was blocked and BC led 6-0.



Ryan Butler TD Run Video

The Prep responded with an 8-play, 72 yard drive for a touchdown.

After a converted point after touchdown, the Maurauders led

7-6. That lead grew as the Crusaders went three and out. As the second quarter proceeded, St. Peter's drove 63 yards on 13 plays, aided by three Crusader penalties and extended their lead to 14-6.



Sophomore linebacker is focused on the Prep backfield as freshman defensive end De'Juan Samuels looks to get a good take-off on the snap.



At this point, Andrew Boel started to get hot. The Crusader signal caller who finished the day with 11 for 15 passing and 146 yards started a drive with a 9 yard completion to Rakem Ross. The drive would end with Boel's first (of two) touchdown passes on the day. This one, a 31 yard pass, catch and run to senior wide receiver, Pierson Tobia.

Sophomore QB, Steven Angeli, came in for the 2-point conversion and handed to a speedy Gist, who accelerated into the endzone, knotting the score at fourteen.

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Alex Shaia finished 11<sup>th</sup> in his heat against all sophomores, turning in a time of 17:48.60. Miles Suitt (20:45.40), Michael Tuohy (21:09.40) and Matthew Marques (21:16.10) ran strong in their grade-level race as well among 288 runners.

Two frosh Crusdaers placed in the top 100 runners. Joseph Griffith finished 58<sup>th</sup> at 13:16.90 in the 3200meter run. James Hughes was sub 14 as well, finishing at 13:30.60. Aidan O'Malley and Nate Booth finished sub 15-minutes. Drwe Giacomini, Tommy Sullivan, Ryan Dockery and Danny Grabstein finished with sub 16-minute timtes and Ronan Flynn represented the best of what being a Cruader is, finishing strong as well. The Crusader frosh finished 14<sup>th</sup> out of 27 teams in the 301-man field.



### Frosh Soccer Knotted Up with Paladins

September 16 – Paramus, NJ – Javier Torres scored a goal and Gabriel Torres made six saves to help the Crusaders tie the Paladins 1-1 on the road.

## JV Soccer Sees Some Strong Individual Performances vs. Paladins

September 16 – Paramus, NJ – Jimmy Ralph scored on an assist by Alex Lupu. Gavin Ciero and Michael Remschel were strong on defense. Andre Ayazian and Timmy Caufield controlled the ball for the Crusaders. Dylan Lincoln was consistent with his throw ins. Kyle Tenzca stopped 5 Paladin shots while teammate, Erick Valdes turned away 7. BC was unable to generate enough offense, nor play enough defense as the Crusaders fell to Paramus Catholic 1-3.

## Crusaders Advance to 5-0 Following 5-0 Victory Over Paramus Catholic

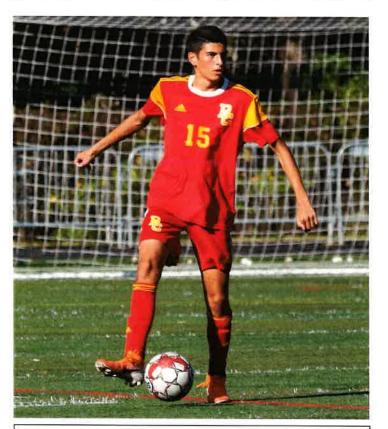
**September, 17 – Oradell, NJ –** The Crusaders made it look easy with a barrage of goals scored by four different goal

scorers. Jake Sweeney netted a pair, while Nick Shahnon, Gavin Saptontzis and Allen Villafranca each recorded a goal.

Villafranca's was the only unassisted goal, coming on a penalty kick. Otherwise, Sapontzis, Sweeney, Villafranca and Ethan Bogg set up the others.

Goalies Andrew Remias and Ryan Langberg combined for the shutout with 4 and 5 saves respectively.





#### **BC SCORING:**

**GOALS:** Barile, Shannon, Sweeney and Villafranca (3), Sapontzis and Gomes (2). (5 others with 1 ea.)

ASSISTS: Shannon (7), Sweeney (4), Villafranca (3) POINTS: Shannon (10), Sweeney (7), Villafranca (6)



## Tough Road Trip as JV and Frosh Travel to Wayne Hills on Thursday

**September 19 – Wayne, NJ –** The Crusader JV and Frosh Soccer teams each played tough games, but fell to the Patriots of Wayne Hills, 0-3 and 1-3 respectively.

## Varsity Soccer Keeps it Rolling

**September 20 – Oradell, NJ** – BC moved to 6-0 on the 2019 season with a solid victory over Passaic County foe, Wayne Hills Regional HS on Friday.

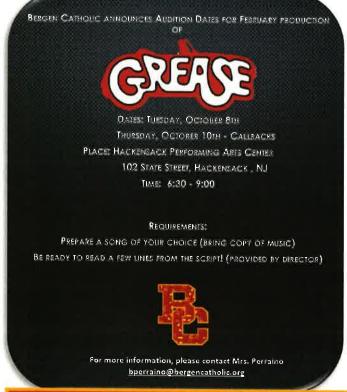


Nick Shannon assisted three times to three of his favorite targets. Allen Villafranca, Aiden Monahan and Chris Barile all converted on sets from Shannon as BC cruised 4-0 over Wayne Hills. Goalies Andrew Remias and Ryan Langberg continued to play excellent soccer. Remias now has 20 saves on 20 shots against. Lanbert has turned away 16 of the 20 shots on him.

The Crusader defense is holding opponents to just .67 goals per game.









St. Peter's responded with a 9-play, 70-yard drive and retook the lead 21-14 with 2:59 remaining in the half.

At that point, senior returner Jordan Morant electrified the Crazies with the most explosive play of the afternoon. He received the Prep kickoff at the BC 24 yardline and after starting toward the middle of the field, he burst out right toward the western sideline and sprinted 76 yards for the score. Coach Campanile decided to go for his second two-point conversion of the afternoon and Andrew Boel threw a laser along the endline to Joe Aniello who out-fought his defender for the football, giving BC a 22-21 lead before the half.



st. Peter's would be the only team to reach paydirt in the third quarter and chose to go for a 2-pt conversion of their own. It was an unsuccessful, incomplete pass and the quarter

second straight game, the Crusaders generated well over 300

ended 27-22 in favor of the visitor.

The fourth quarter was nerve-racking for anyone in the bleachers as the two teams fough hard on defense. Running backs, Ryan Butler (15 carries for 92 yds and 6 first downs and a PAT) and John Rust (8 carries for 45 yards and 2 first downs) pounded hard behind a hard-working O-line in sweltering heat.

Finally, the Crusaders engineered a 10-play, 67-yard drive that would end Boel throwing to Amar Gist for a 9-yard touchdown. Ryan Butler (below) would carry the ball into the endzone for BC's third two-point conversion of the day and BC led 30-27 with just 1:55 remaining.



Giancarlo Cabonaro kicked off for the Crusaders down to the 6-yard line. The Prep offense would have to complete a 72 yard drive after a 22-yard return.



After Bullock threw and incomlpete pass, AJ Longo sacked him at the 14-yard line, setting up a third and 24. Bullock responded by completing a 36-yard pass to Jelani Mason, bringing the ball to the midfield. An unsportsmanlike penalty against the Crusaders moved the ball up to the 35 yard line

Two plays later, Bullock once again found Mason in stride and completed a 27-yard touchdown pass with just 24 seconds remaining in the game.



BC falls to 1-1 on the season and the Marauders move to 3-0. Just one more game in one of the nation's most challenging conferences, the Super Football Conference, United Division.

## Shaia, McCarthy Run Strong 2019 Magee Classic

**September 21 – Morristorwn, NJ –** It was a gorgrous morning for running as the Crusader Cross Country program completed in the Magee Invitational on Saturday.

In the senior race, Nick Martinez recorded the top time of the day for Crusader runners with 18:38.30 in the 5000m run. He finished 67<sup>th</sup> in the 290-runner heat. Andrew Chi ran 19:29.60 and Antonio Mascaro ran 22:20.10.

Owen McCarthy ran a strong 17:07.90, finishing 13<sup>th</sup> overall. Alex Costabile ran 18:38.10 and finished 47<sup>th</sup>. Tate Barnard (19:58.90), Elijah Somerville (20:23.50), Jack O'Kane (20:23.70) and James Adams (20:25.70) ran hard as well. BC's juniors finished 14<sup>th</sup> overall out of 33 teams and 331 runners.

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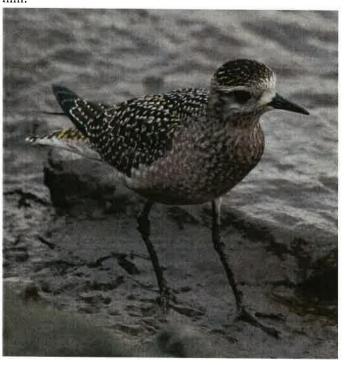
### **BOTW: American Golden-Ployer**

**September 16 – Lyndhurst, NJ –** On Monday, a Rare Bird Alert was issued for an American Golden Plover.



**Above:** This adult in non-breeding plumage shakes out its feathers, lifting its wings and revealing golden spots on its back feathers.

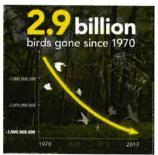
**Below:** This bird posed for about 1,100 pictures for me. I guess he was just about as curious about me as I was about him.



As you can see by the diagram below, American Golden

Plovers breed in the arctic tundra and migrate through the center of the continental United States. We were fortunate to find this rare bird, migrating south along the east coast.

For me, the American Golden-Plover becomes Life Bird #366. I must say, I gained some appreciation for those who are commuting and need to get to school or somewhere ontime. I was very concerned my travels would be in vain, which



travels would be in vain, which happens when a bird flies away.

That's not fun. Car time on the

That's not fun. Car time on the Parkway was a little frustrating, but know I was thinking of you, commuter, road warrior, whomever you are. This bird's for you!

I think our Birding Crusaders club is an important one as we learn about birds and their ecosystems

and provide data for the Cornell School of Ornithology. Through our observations on ebird.org, our participation and support advocates for the health of our natural world. I hope some of our newest Crusaders consider joining us on our journey!



### Crusaders in the Arts

September 20 – Chestnut Hill, MA – Ryan Kitz '19, a freshman at Boston College was in the ensemble of Pippen. It was a student-run production in a smaller theater, but he is very excited to be starting his theater journey. Additionally, he auditioned for and was accepted into the University Chorale. The Chorale will be going abroad during spring break to perform in Vienna, Prague, and Salzburg. He also found out yesterday that he was accepted into a chambers group (a subset of the University Chorale) which is a select group of singers that will perform pieces suited for smaller ensembles. He knows that he is well prepared thanks to Mrs. Peraino.