



# AVON HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB

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**12/11/17** Winter sports begin in earnest this week, and the roads were cleared just in time! Tonight, the Booster Club hosts its December meeting at which we will discuss plans for winter activities and events. Please join us at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room.

Before closing off the fall season, we have reposted the list of All-Conference and All-State winners because several were announced after we posted last week's issue. Congratulations fall athletes, good luck winter athletes and ... *GO FALCONS!*  
*Susan RD*



### SCORES

*for the week of 12/3-12/10/17*

Team	Opponent	Score
Girls Ice Hockey	Conard/ Hall	L 5-1



### SCHEDULE

*for the week of 12/11-12/17/17*

Date	Time	Team	Opponent	Location
12/11	3:45 pm	FR Girls Basketball	Manchester	Away - Manchester HS Main Gym
12/11	5:15 pm	JV Girls Basketball	Manchester	Away - Manchester HS Main Gym
12/11	6:45 pm	V Girls Basketball	Manchester	Away - Manchester HS Main Gym
12/12	5:00 pm	V Boys Basketball	Enfield (Scrim.)	Home - Avon HS
12/13	6:00 pm	Girls Ice Hockey	Stamford/ Westhill/ Staples	Away - Terry Connors Ice Rink
12/13	6:00 pm	V Wrestling	Enfield	Home - Avon HS Gym #2
12/14	3:45 pm	FR Girls Basketball	Simsbury	Away - Simsbury HS

12/14	5:15 pm	JV Girls Basketball	Simsbury	Away - Simsbury HS
12/14	6:45 pm	V Girls Basketball	Simsbury	Away - Simsbury HS
12/16	9:00 am	V Boys Indoor Track	Hillhouse Invitational	Away - Hillhouse
12/16	9:00 am	V Girls Indoor Track	Hillhouse Invitational	Away - Hillhouse
12/16	10:00 am	V Wrestling	Plainville Invitationa	Away
12/16	4:00 pm	Girls Ice Hockey	Suffield/ Enfield/ Housy/ Ellington/ MLC	Away - Enfield Twin Rinks
12/16	5:30 pm	V Girls Basketball	Hartford Public	Home - Avon HS



## SAVE THE DATE

- **Monday, December 11th**, monthly Booster Club meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room.
- **Monday, December 25th - January 1st**, Winter Break



## IN THE SPOTLIGHT: Girls Ice Hockey

For years, Avon girls passionate about playing ice hockey had two options for high school play: joining and playing on a club team, or attending a private high school that offers the sport. Until now, that is. Following four years of hard work to establish themselves as a high school team, the **Avon-Southington Nighthawks Co-op Girls Ice Hockey Team** (which already functioned as an independent club team) is now up and running as an official high school team. There are not enough school sponsored teams, so Girls Ice Hockey is not considered an official CIAC sport, yet. As a result, our co-op team will participate in post-season tournament play in the Independent schools division which is hosted by the Girl's Hockey Association.

The team will be recognized as a club sport at AHS and will hopefully become a varsity sport after a re-evaluation in two years. Until then, the Nighthawks will not be funded by the Board of Education, so it is up to the athletes and parents to raise an estimated \$8,000 to run the team for a year. (Be on the look-out for fundraisers!)

The Nighthawks practice and play their home games at the Newington Ice Arena and participate in the North Division of the Southern Connecticut Conference. So far this season, the Nighthawks went 2-0-2 at the Simsbury Jamboree and lost 5-1 against Conard/ Hall at their season opening game. On Wednesday, the girls travel to play the Stamford/ Westhill/ Staples co-op team at Terry Connors Ice Rink in Stamford, at 6:00 pm! Go Nighthawks!



Avon's **Kori Bartko** glides down the ice for the Nighthawks in Wednesday night's season opening game in West Hartford. Conard/Hall beat Avon Southington, 5-1. (Credit: Collinsville Press)



Conard/Hall goalie *Nora McGowan (1)* makes a save in heavy traffic in Wednesday night's girls hockey game in West Hartford. (Credit: Collinsville Press)

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## IN THE PRESS

- ❑ **The Collinsville Press** covered the Girls Ice Hockey season opening game against Conard/ Hall, [here](#).
  - ❑ **The Collinsville Press** wrote an article about the new Avon/ Southington Girls Ice Hockey team, read it [here](#).
  - ❑ **The Valley Press** reported on the upcoming season for Girls Basketball, [here](#).
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## FALL FINISHES

Following is an **updated list** of All-Conference and All-State Honorees

### All Conference:

**Dylan Burgos, Tucker Gill, Ryan Ollestad and Henry Schrecengost (Football)**

Emily Foley, Sara Leavens, Caroline Luby, Ashley Martin, Rachel Martin, Rhiannon Richmond (Cross-Country)

Collin Dryfe, Riley Welter (BSoccer)

Riley Abbate, **Olivia Dibella** (GSoccer)

Maddie Hart, Audrey Worth (Volleyball)

Paige Deppe, Sarah Thomas, Rachel Spivak (Field Hockey)

### All State:

Emily Foley, Sara Leavens, Rhiannon Richmond (Cross-Country)

Riley Abbate (GSoccer)

Maddie Hart (Volleyball)

Paige Deppe, Rachel Spivak (Field Hockey)

In addition, the **Field Hockey Team has been honored with the 2017 Lucy Goodridge Sportsmanship Award** for demonstrating fundamental values of respect, fairness, honesty and responsibility as positive role models. The team was selected out of seventy-nine other Connecticut high school teams for this exceptional award. Congratulations to all the AHS field hockey players and coaches for demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship this year!

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## LINKS

Previous months' **Booster Club meeting notes/agendas** can be found [here](#), and previous months' **financials** can be found [here](#).

Full season schedules, scores and standings are available at the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference [website](#).

The Avon Athletics website is your source for forms, up-to-date announcements, and a copy of the AHS Athletic Handbook which provides essential information for athletes (and fans), to visit click [here](#).

For additional info, forms and other calendar items, please visit [our Booster Club website](#).

To see what the Avon athletics fan base has to say, check out the **Falconatics** twitter page [here](#).



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The Booster Club also has two student representatives. This year's are Sara Leavens (XC and Track) and Luke Davey (Soccer and Lacrosse). For a full list of current season Booster Club *Team Reps*, please scroll above to the **Winter Contacts** section.