



AVON HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB

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3/12/2018 It was an exciting week for Avon Athletics: Three of our remaining winter teams were winners and continue to advance in the quest for state championships.

Tonight, our **boys hockey team** takes on next door rival Conard High School in the CIAC semi-finals on the ice at Ingalls Rink @ Yale University. Game time is 5:30. **A student fan bus has been reserved to drive student-fans there and back;** it leaves AHS at 4:00. Students can check the Falconatics Twitter and Facebook pages for sign-up details, consult with one of the senior Falconatics, OR sign up during the lunch blocks today.

Tomorrow afternoon, (weather permitting), our **swim team** competes in the State Class M Finals at Wesleyan, and later on, our **boys basketball team** will take on Enfield in the CIAC semi-finals on New Britain High School's court at 7:30 p.m. A fan bus has been reserved for this contest, too, and seats can be reserved through the above channels or through one of the basketball captains.

And, last but not least, the **Booster Club holds its monthly meeting tonight @ 7:30 p.m.** at which qualifying members will vote on which requests (from the various sports teams) will be funded this year.

Let's hope the snow starts late and ends early so our teams can play without interruption. *GO FALCONS! Susan RD*

PS - Spring Sports begin next week and registration ends tomorrow. See details further along in this issue.



SCORES

for the week of 3/4-3/11/18

Team	Opponent	Score
Boys Ice Hockey	Westhill-Stamford <i>1st round, CIAC Tournament</i>	W 11-5
	South Windsor <i>2nd round, CIAC Tournament</i>	W 7-1
Boys Basketball	Wolcott <i>1st round, CIAC Tournament</i>	W 62-44
	Brookfield <i>2nd round, CIAC Tournament</i>	W 72-46
	Guilford <i>Quarterfinals</i>	W 56-51
Co-ed Swimming	CCC North Championships	3rd place:Avon's relay teams won the 200 and 400 freestyle relays, Andre Richard was 1st in the 50 free and Alec Traktovenko was 1st in the 100 breaststroke..



SCHEDULE

for the week of 3/12-3/18/18

Date	Time	Team	Opponent	Location
3/12	5:30 pm	Boys Ice Hockey <i>CIAC Semi-finals</i>	Conard	Ingalls Rink - Yale University
3/13	7:00 p.m.	Boys Basketball <i>CIAC Semi-Finals</i>	Enfield	New Britain High School
3/13	5:00 pm	V Co-Ed Swimming & Diving	Class M Finals	Away - Wesleyan
3/15	5:30 pm	V Co-Ed Swimming & Diving	State Opens Diving	Away - Bulkeley
3/17	2:30 pm	V Co-Ed Swimming & Diving	State Opens Swimming	Away - Yale University



Spotlight: Boys Basketball CIAC Tournament



Round 1: Avon vs. Wolcott

The Avon Boys Basketball team started off the CIAC Division III tournament against No.24 Wolcott (8-13). **Charlie Reiss** (right image) had 17 points and **Riley Welter** had 9 points. The Falcons outscored Wolcott by 14 points in the fourth quarter to make a 62-44 win over the Eagles, advancing Avon into the second round!

Round 2: Avon vs. Brookfield

In the second round, Avon went up against No.8 Brookfield. Senior **Jordan Williams** had a game-high of 33 points and made 10 out of his 11 free throws while **Riley Welter** and **Charlie Reiss** led Avon's defense. By halftime Avon was ahead by 9 points (30-21) and by the third quarter they were 11 points ahead. In the end, the Falcons had a 72-46 victory; the first time Avon has won two games in a CIAC tournament since 2014.



Round 3: Avon vs. Guilford

By the first quarter of the third round Avon had a 10-point lead against No.1 Guilford (21-3). Jordan Williams again had a game-high 20 points while **Charlie Reiss** scored 10, and **Brett Muni** and **Connor Harris** both scored eight points. With 2 minutes remaining Guilford was only two points behind (47-45) till senior **Jordan Williams** shot and scored 4 free throws. Our boys beat them 56-51 to advance to the semifinals.



Semifinals: Avon vs. Enfield

This is the first time Boys Basketball has qualified for semifinals in a CIAC tournament in 13 years! See the boys go up against long-time NCC rivals Enfield (20-4) for the semifinals this Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. at New Britain High School.

Charlie Reiss in the second round game against Brookfield ([Collinsville Press](#)).



COMING UP:

Monday, March 12th, monthly BC meeting at **7:30 p.m.** in the Community Room. All dues-paying members who have attending three BC meetings this school year (including on 3/12) are eligible to vote on which disbursements the club should fund.

Booster Club General and Named Scholarship applications are due on **Monday April 15th**. Please click [here](#) to access the application. All AHS graduating student-athletes are encouraged to apply.

On **Wednesday, May 9th @ 6:00 p.m.**, the Booster Club will recognize all graduating AHS athletes (and their families and fans) who will be going on to play their sport at the varsity collegiate level. Our **Senior Athlete Recognition** event is not to be missed! If you or someone you know is such an athlete, please contact our B.C. Events coordinator Jen Gorack, lodovicog@hartford.edu.



DID YOU KNOW? SCHOLARSHIP APPS ARE OPEN!

The Booster Club awards a number of scholarships to qualifying AHS student-athletes every year.

The club sponsors two different scholarship categories: **Named Scholarships** (which honor specific, fallen Falcons) and **General Scholarships** (which recognize athletes for their participation and performance in the school athletics program).

Student-athletes may apply to both.

Applications open today and are due April 15th. To review the applications or to apply, please click [here](#) and select the scholarship(s) you wish to explore in left-hand the drop-down menu under "Scholarships". Good luck!



NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC OFFICE

Due to weather circumstances, the athletics office is extending spring sport registration until tomorrow, **Tuesday, March 13th**. Please make sure your athlete physicals and payments are in by this date so your registration can be approved and your student's name is on the coach's tryout/practice list.

Visit the AHS Athletics [website](#) to sign up today. **Go Falcons!**



IN THE PRESS

- The Collinsville Press** covered Boys Basketball win over Walcott in their first CIAC state tournament game, read it [here](#).
 - The Collinsville Press** reported that seven Avon Field hockey players were named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association's National Academic squad, read about it [here](#).
 - The Collinsville Press** covered the Boys Basketball second round Division III tournament where they beat Brookfield, read it [here](#).
 - The Collinsville Press** wrote an article on Boys swimming taking 3rd place at the CCC North Championships, [here](#).
 - The Collinsville Press** reported on Boys Basketball' Division III Quarterfinal win against Guilford, bringing them to the semifinals, read the article [here](#).
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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.
