

Pitching shines but bats struggle in 2-1 loss to Prospect

Hot starts from Kost and Jodloman can't overcome offensive injuries

by Jack Soble

New Trier baseball fell to Prospect on Apr. 13 by a score of 2-1, as offensive struggles couldn't support a one-run performance from starting pitcher Patrick Jodloman.

The Trevians' senior shined, but too many necessary bats have suffered untimely injuries, preventing a satisfactory start to the season. They currently sit at 7-6, with much room to improve.

"We squandered a gem by Jodloman on the bump," said senior Jonathan Rissman. "Offensively and defensively, we have to be more sound and make sure we don't waste these performances."

The defense in the field has also seen its ups and downs, featuring games with four and six errors committed.

"Currently we are facing injuries to key players (catcher Alex Calarco, pitcher Pete Burnside, and first baseman Duke Olges) that should provide us with a big boost

on all aspects of the game when they return," said senior Andrew Kost.

Kost has been part of New Trier's red-hot pitching staff, which is the reason they have earned a winning record to this point, but he still feels that his repertoire can diversify by the time the season ends.

"I haven't pitched a game where I have all four of my pitches working," explained Kost, who likes to feature a fastball, changeup, slider, and curveball, "and I think as the year progresses I will only feel more comfortable throwing all my pitches for strikes with more velocity."

Southpaw (left-handed) junior pitcher Jack Liepert has also starred, completing both a one-run game against Buffalo Grove on April 5 a formidable trio with Jodloman and Kost. They hope to hold down the fort until Burnside returns.

Junior Drew Robinson, senior Donald Stricklin, junior Eddie Harvey, and senior Henry Pelinski have helped pick up the slack on offense as of late. Harvey blasted a three-run homer in a win over Highland Park, and Pelinski picked up five hits in two games against Fremd and Buffalo Grove.

"I always hold myself to a high standard and I've had some



Patrick Jodloman (above) leads a dominant NT starting rotation | Rodgers

great games where I hit doubles," said Pelinski. "I've also had some bad games this year and that's what motivates me to keep working hard."

New Trier has gone 2-2 in their last four, mostly with Calarco and Olges sidelined. They defeated Highland Park and Ridgewood by a combined score of 20-6, but they drove in a combined three runs in their other two against Maine West

and Prospect.

One game from earlier this month remains in the back of the Trevs' minds, however, and that was a loss to Loyola on Apr. 3. New Trier held a lead until the final inning on the back of a strong outing from Kost, who struck out eight, but they ended up falling 5-3.

"We had it in the bag until the last inning, but the baseball gods

tossed it the other way that day. Kost threw a gem, but it just didn't pan out for us," said senior Joe Fox.

"There is no denying that the crosstown matchup brings out the best in both teams," said Kost. "Unfortunately, we came out on the losing side of a well-played game."

When New Trier starts to get players back from injury, they believe they're capable of making a postseason run. They went quietly last season, with a 7-3 loss to Lane Tech in the regional final, but the team thinks it's talented enough to make noise in late May.

"I honestly think that we're going to be a team that high seeds won't want to play. Our pitching is solid and our small ball is getting better every day. Timely hitting, good pitching, and solid defense win games in the playoffs," said Fox.

Rissman echoed that sentiment, using the same phrase Fox used to describe their outlook.

"We all know the next guy up will be able to do his job and put us in a situation where we can succeed," he said. "With a little more time, we'll be a team no one wants to face in the postseason."

Girls Crew rows to solid showing in Cincy

Following win over CRF, team travels to Ohio for strong start to spring season

by Megan Reimer

New Trier's Novice and Varsity rowing teams kicked off their spring seasons with a successful performance in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The results were more than satisfactory, led by third Varsity eight-person team taking home a gold medal in their race. Second Varsity eight-person and second Varsity four-person each grabbed a silver, and first Varsity eight-person took fourth in a "very fast field," according to senior coxswain Rachel Rane.

"As Cincinnati was approaching, we knew there would be some tough competition because we were facing some of the top teams in the country," said Rane. "We performed very well as a team all around."

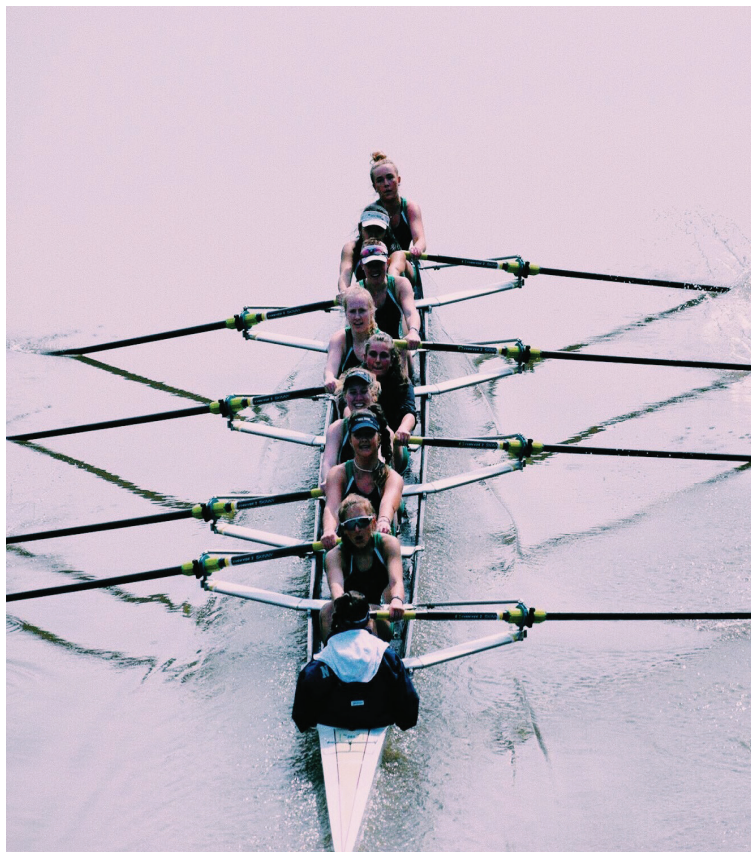
"Cincinnati was honestly a grab in the dark for most girls on the team, because it was the first large-scale regatta of the entire season," added Yida Hao. "Even though we were against some of the strongest crews in the Midwest, NT put out a solid performance on both the Varsity and Novice levels."

With the added travel time came a step up in competition, as they faced and beat many club teams, as both Rane and Hao alluded to. These teams have the luxury of added practice time and larger pools to hone their skills, strength, and endurance.

"It was a regatta that really tested our endurance and persistence to push hard in every single race," said Hao.

The trip to Cincinnati came on the heels of NT's first regatta of the season, which was a victory against Chicago Rowing Foundation.

This regatta involved only New Trier and CRF, and while the competition was kept to one school, the race had its ups and down while leading to a win. The overall wins from the regatta left them with confidence.



Girls Varsity (1V) rowing works to defeat CRF on April 6 | George

Varsity and Novice Head Coach Rose Marchuk contributed greatly to their success at the regatta, along with the rest of the team, who put in hours of practice and training after school and during weekends.

"The win felt pretty good, but it was a close race with CRF and we definitely have some improvements to make," said sophomore Annie Thornton.

Thornton thinks the win was a showcase of the hard work the crew has put into the spring season.

"This season has been good, lots of hard work has been put into it and I think everyone is really excited to get better and get faster, especially for our upcoming regattas, which have many talented teams competing," she said.

Going against just one other team might seem like an easy task, but some Trevians disagree.

"The competition was hard, and for a while in the beginning we were sort of falling behind, but we picked ourselves up and we managed to take

wins," said sophomore Noel Knight, "which I'm proud of the team for, but it wasn't easy and took a lot of hard work from everyone."

Rane, on the other hand, was more confident in what they accomplished against CRF.

"We were able to sweep it handily," she said.

The girls rowing crew hopes to use their successes in the first couple of competitions as a building block for the rest of the spring season. After a largely successful fall season, the Trevs are hungry for what will be the last NT rowing in which many of them can participate.

"I think so far this season our team is in a really good mindset and is putting in the work every day to get faster," said senior Allison Elli. "I am really excited to see how the rest of the season plays out."

"I'm excited for what's to come," said Rane, who will be continuing her rowing career at Texas next year. "Being on the water more, we are gaining speed. Stay tuned."

Trevian Trot on May 5

Registration open for annual 5k, which donates proceeds to multiple charities

by Jack Soble

Registration is now open for the 2019 Trevian Trot hosted by New Trier High School's Kinetic Wellness Department on Sunday, May 5. Participants can sign up online, through the mail or in person for the 5k race.

Registration and T-shirt pick-up opens at 7 a.m. and closes at 7:50 a.m. the morning of the run at the Northfield Campus, near the stadium. An opening ceremony and raffle will be held at 7:55 a.m. The 5k run begins at 8 a.m., and the 5k walk begins at 8:05 a.m. After the race, runners and walkers will participate in an awards ceremony with refreshments.

The race began in 2001, when New Trier's Wellness Week featured a 5K RUNdezzvous focusing on health and wellness in the community and the school. In 2003, the RUNdezzvous became the Run to Remember in

memory of Shea Fitzgerald, Sam Farmer and Julie Sorkin, three graduates who died in a Chicago porch collapse that summer.

In 2012, Jan Borja, former principal and an avid supporter of the run, passed away after a long illness, and the run was also dedicated to her memory. The name of the 5k race was changed to the Trevian Trot in 2013.

"The Trevian Trot continues to donate proceeds from the Fun Run/Walk to scholarship funds and charities in memory of Jan and the three graduates," Race Director Jennifer Tricoli said. Trevian Trot beneficiaries include the Jan Borja Scholarship Fund, the NorthShore University Neonatal Unit, Misericordia, and the Shea Fitzgerald Wrestling Scholarship.

Trevian Trot pre-race day registration is \$25 for adults and \$20 for students, and race day registration is \$30 for adults and \$25 for students. For Booster Club members, pre-race day registration is \$15 for adults and \$10 for students, and race day registration is \$20 for adults and \$15 for students.



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