

Game Summary

Avon vs. Noblesville

8-26-15

The defending Hoosier Crossroads Conference Champions Avon Lady Orioles opened up conference play last night against Noblesville. Avon came out on fire and brought good energy from the start. Aspen Weyenberg stepped up and scored a goal just a few minutes into the game when she hit a long shot from outside the 18. The shot went over the hands of Noblesville's returning all-state goalkeeper. Great goal for our team and solid start. The match became very physical and intense during the rest of the first half. Noblesville stepped up their attack but the Lady Orioles stayed strong and kept the ball out of the back of the net. The score at the half was 1-0 Avon. A solid effort for all 40 minutes of the second half was going to be needed to secure the win. About 20 minutes into the second half Noblesville got in behind our backline and finished off a low shot past the keeper to even the score. A few minutes later, one of Noblesville's attackers made a great individual effort and scored a goal for them to take the lead. The Lady Orioles pushed numbers forward to try and get a goal to even up the match. The team had a couple of set pieces but weren't able to capitalize late. The final score ended at 2-1 to Noblesville. Our team lost our first home game in 5 seasons. It was a great streak and we are upset to see it end but we will definitely use this game as a learning experience here in the beginning of the season. Starting Saturday our team has 6 games to play in 8 days. We look forward to each challenge ahead of us and can't wait to improve and learn as a team.

The JV Lady Orioles lost to a tough Noblesville squad on Wednesday evening, 0-1. The Millers were tough competition winning 50-50's and aggressively attacking in the final third. Noblesville efforts soon proved to be successful with a shot just outside the 18 finding the back of the net. It was in the second half that Avon responded and looked better organized and played more as a team. Unfortunately, they would take the loss and are now at a 1-2 record for the season. The team looks to put things back on track this weekend when they face Center Grove and North Central.