

Barons Maroon Magruder 4 – 0

Funny how a statistic can sometimes tell the story, the digit here being 10 — the number of Barons who registered one or more shots against the Colonels in B-CC's 4 – 0 victory at Magruder High on October 8th. Ten players firing shots speaks to B-CC's depth, breadth, and versatility. Together, Barons Khanna, Muller, Parina, Melander, Wenker, Carden, Gersh, Eliza Doll, Alex Doll, Emden, Hooks, Heaton, and Repp tended to the midfield and final third, mounting successive shots in a tally that grew to 21 by game's end (the Colonels had eight). In the meantime, defenders Hardgrove, Mesirow, Hanniffee, and Klontz, along with keepers Konownitizine and White, ensured any parry by their opponents was short-lived.

Senior Vic Gersh recorded the first goal 15 minutes into the game after pivoting like a point guard deep in 3-point territory in basketball to send a missile into the net. Eight minutes later, after performing a series of stutter steps to throw off successive defenders, Alex Doll unleashed a ball-driven vector past the keeper; she followed it with her second goal of the night by displaying incredible anticipation to steal a pass and then score up the middle. The final goal came with five minutes remaining in the game when Amy Heaton deftly pried a ball from a Colonel defender and crossed it to Ariel Repp who left no uncertainty whatsoever in blasting the ball into the net past a diving keeper.

Ten Barons mounting one or more shots in a match — a statistic that, at least in the context of the Barons-Colonels duel on October 8th, defies the famous quote attributed to 19th century British Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli and popularized by Mark Twain: "There are three types of lies — lies, damn lies, and statistics." In this case, ten is no lie but a true sign of prowess.

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