The Cadets of St. John's College High School (also known as The Johnnie Mops - more later on how this writer would know the a.k.a) squeezed out one more goal than the Barons of Bethesda-Chevy Chase to win the non-conference Friday night game. On a not so warm but pleasant evening nonetheless, with the game played under the lights at Home, The Mops beat the Barons 5 to 4.

The first half was played at a very deliberate; pass-pass-pass - SHOOT pace by both squads and came to an end tied with one goal apiece. Junior Goalie Preston Andersen turned back a "bunch" of shots to keep the game tight. With the song Rubber Band Man filling the half-time air, the BCC fan base with a large student turn-out got ready for the second half providing strong vocal support for their beloved Barons. The second half started with St. John's scoring two unanswered goals and then the Barons putting one between the pipes next making it 3 to 2 with the Mops leading after three periods.

The fourth and deciding period started with the Barons pulling even at 3 goals each. In the Friday night see-saw contest, St John's scored next and then it was the Barons tying the game at 4 goals apiece. Offense for the Barons came in 2s. Senior Middie Kane Borders had 2 goals and Sophomore Attack Eric Tschiderer matched Borders with 2 goals. That's 2 + 2 = 4 (old math). With four minutes to play in the fourth, St. John's put the ball in the net for the 5th and final deciding goal of the game. Final score: St. John's 5(1+1+1+1+1) = 5 [that's new math]) and the Baron's 4(2+2) = 4 [old math]). Bummer on the old math - Barons needed 1 more 2!

The Baron LAX squad showed great poise and energy throughout the entire game. Junior Middie Addison Montano is just one example of "bringing the energy" along with fast feet! Poise and Energy will help get that first WIN. Nice game team.

Go Barons. Let's Roll

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