

Estill Soccer Teams Get Season Going With Wins

After a difficult beginning for the 2018 season, both boys and girls Estill soccer teams got off to a good start with some wins.

The Estill County Lady Engineers girls soccer team got a big emotional boost on Saturday with the entire ladies soccer squad from Georgetown College making the drive down to support the Estill ladies during the difficult transition.

Estill picked up its first win of the season with a 5-0 victory over OBI (Oneida Baptist Institute).

New interim coach Matthew W. Hall, assisted by

boys coach, Ryan Sutter, led the team to the win.

This is the first time coaching at the high school level for Hall who has coached for several years in the youth league. He has previously coached many of the girls on the team and his daughter, a senior, is also an Estill soccer player.

Coach Hall indicated that he considers himself only as an "interim" coach and does not expect to continue after this year.

Estill scored only once in the first period but came back in the second half to pick up four more goals.

Senior Amelia Farmer had two of the goals and junior Kalea Hatton, senior Scarlett O'Hair and sophomore Jenna Stone had one goal each.

Freshman Gracie Rucker was credited with the complete game shutout.

Estill's girls also played on Monday night and lost 2-7 to Garrard County. The Lady Engineers had previously lost to Lincoln County and were 1-2 after Monday's game.

The Estill ladies have six seniors on the squad, including Billie Brooks, Farmer, Alexis Hall, O'Hair, Hannah Parks and Skyler Walling.

The Lady Engineers were scheduled to play at Paintsville on Tuesday and will have two games at home, against Hazard on Saturday and next Tuesday against the Powell County Lady Pirates.

Engineers Soccer

Estill's boys dropped Saturday's game to OBI, 3-4 but had won previously 11-0 over Breathitt County and 11-2 over Jackson City.

Former Estill assistant coach Ryan Sutter has taken over the job of coaching the Estill Engineers boys team and is assisted by Gary Beeler.

The Engineers shut out Garrard County, 4-0, on Monday night and improved to 3-1 for the season.

Estill plays at home next on Saturday, September 1st against Hazard and on Tuesday, September 4th against district opponent Powell County.

The Engineers have five seniors listed, Charles Asher, Andy Davis, Justin Risson, Andrew Samples and goalkeeper Matt Rowland.



Estill Lady Engineers senior Amelia Farmer (dark uniform) guards an OBI player during Saturday's matchup in Irvine. Farmer scored twice in the 5-0 Estill win.

Wanderings from the Woods & Water

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In the Storm

I was looking through some old columns and come across this one. I figured it was fitting. I see so many people building their house on sand AKA drugs. Drugs are destroying people. They need to build their house on the ROCK.

24 "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. 26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 27 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

Matthew 7:24-27

I was struggling on what to write about this week when this scripture crossed my mind. Maybe it's just me, but it sure seems like we have got a lot of rain here lately. There were even threats of severe storms. Well anyway, the Lord put this on my heart to write about. Hopefully it helps someone out there struggling.

The wise and foolish builder is some of my favorite scripture. It doesn't matter if you're a Christian or not the storms are a coming. They can show up on the radar of life from mild to severe.

It can come in the form of a lost job or death of a loved one. I can guarantee 100% chance of life storms, unlike the weatherman who is wrong 80% of the time.

There are ads on tv and radio asking are you prepared for storms. Do you have flashlights, batteries, water, medical supplies etc. Things one will need to weather the storm and still be standing afterwards. Do you have everything you need when the storm hits?

Well I am probably not the best prepared for a bad weather event. My preparedness consists of going to the basement when a bad storm is on its way. I will have a flashlight unless the boys haven't lost or ran the batteries down. With that statement, we probably won't have a light. We will be in the basement in the dark. I am however prepared for life storms. My house is built on the ROCK JESUS CHRIST. When the storms come and I know they will, I am ready. The alternative is having a house built on sand. When the storms hit the house on sand you will be washed out to sea.

The best way to be a prepper for life storms is #1 Accept Jesus as your Savior. #2 Read His word the Bible. #3 Pray without ceasing. You do that and you will be prepared for the storm. When the storm clears you will still be on the ROCK!

Are you prepared?

Until next week, get out and enjoy God's creation!

Estill's Volleyball is 5-6-1

The Estill County Lady Engineers volleyball team is halfway through the 2018 season under 4th year coach Shayla R. Carroll.

Team went 6-17 in each of Carroll's first two years but had one of Estill's best seasons last year, finishing 16-14.

Estill is presently 5-6-1 and had one district win, over Owsley County.

The Lady Engineers have also beaten Berea, 3-1, Knott County Central, 3-2, Jellico, Tennessee, 2-1 and Perry County Central, 2-0.

Tuesday night they were scheduled against Red Bird and Estill takes on the Powell County Lady Pirates on Thursday. Next Tuesday, they have a rematch with Knott County Central.

Estill's team is young with only two seniors listed, Kayleigh Angel and Shelby Danyear.



From left, Estill players Andy Davis, Matthew Woolery, Dustin Beeler and Tyler Sutter block the goal during Saturday's game between the Engineers and OBI.



Estill freshman Lady Engineer Hannah Ross (#4 dark) tries to beat the OBI player to the ball during Estill's first win of the season, 5-0.

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