



WED 12/13, 9:00 pm  
Team Audi @  
Lake Catholic

SAT 12/16, 2:30 pm  
Gilmour Academy @  
Walsh Jesuit

DEC 15-17  
Holy Name, Padua Franciscan, St. Edward & University School @  
Padua Holiday Hockey Tournament

■ = league game

## LANCERS JOUST WITH WARRIORS IN KENT

The Lancers of Gilmour Academy visit the Walsh Jesuit Warriors Saturday night in the only Great Lakes Hockey League game on the schedule this week.

After a few rough seasons, Gilmour is off to their best start since the 2010-11 team that went on to win the Kent District after a 12-2 -0 start to the year. Lancers head coach **John Malloy** sees multiple reasons for the sharp improvement in his team.

"The key difference this year is having senior depth combined with some overall talent," said Malloy. "The last few years we have only averaged three seniors on the roster and this year we have 10. We also upgraded our overall talent in all areas, so it is a good mix of more physically mature and talented players."

The Lancers have only allowed four goals each in the second and third periods this season. Over 11 games that equates to a 1.09 situational goals-against average. Goaltenders Payton Wetzel (4-0-0 with 1.50 goals-against average and .941 save percentage) and Duncan Nichols-Delay (4-2-0/1.64/.947) have obviously been sharp between the pipes, but it's been more than that.

"I have, and always will, be a coach who expects a high level of attention to team defense," Malloy said. "You also need players who buy into the energy and discipline that it takes to be a strong defensive team."

Malloy says captains **John Treppo** and **Frank Nannicola**, as well as the other team leaders, have committed themselves to defensive hockey and that has the Lancers back in the hunt.



*The St. Edward Eagles celebrate with the championship trophy of the Father McNamara Tournament.*

Both Gilmour and Walsh Jesuit are returning from an appearance at the Cornfield Cup last weekend. The Warriors were 2-1-1 at the event, hosted by Culver Military Academy. GA posted a 3-1-0 mark, losing their opener but rallying to win the next three games.

The GA-Walsh tilt on Saturday is the only GLHL league game this week. Four league members are competing in the Padua Holiday Tournament at OBM Arena in Strongsville (see page 4) and Lake Catholic is playing in the quarterfinals of the Thornton Park tournament Friday, taking on Bowling Green.

## 2017-18 GLHL STANDINGS

standings as of December 15

POS	Team (overall record)	W	L	OTL	T	PTS	GF	GA	DIFF
1	St. Edward (7-6-0)	2	0	0	0	4	9	1	8
	Gilmour Academy (9-2-0)	2	0	0	0	4	8	4	4
3	Walsh Jesuit (5-3-3)	1	1	1	0	3	8	9	-1
	Holy Name (6-4-1)	1	1	1	0	3	7	10	-3
5	Padua Franciscan (2-7-0)	1	2	0	0	2	4	3	1
6	Lake Catholic (4-7-0)	0	2	1	0	1	5	14	-9
7	University School (4-2-1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



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# GREAT LAKES HOCKEY LEAGUE—TEAM NOTES

**GILMOUR ACADEMY** > The Gilmour entry in the GLHL is, specifically, their Varsity A team. GA also ices a prep team and a Varsity B squad. Fitting into that ecosystem can be challenging, but head coach **John Malloy** has always seen a bigger picture to begin with. “Some might see losing players to the Prep team every year as a unique challenge for our varsity program,” Malloy said. “However, I have always coached with the goal of preparing my players for the next level of hockey and of life. This movement is a good thing and it challenges everyone to be ready to contribute.

**HOLY NAME** > Junior forward **Sabastino Layne** notched a hat trick, and **Ross Conforto** posted the shutout, in the Namers’ 6-0 win over Crestwood to open the Father McNamara Tournament. Layne, a junior with seven goals on the season, is tied with seniors **Tyler Guarniere** and **Spencer Melcher** for the team lead.

**LAKE CATHOLIC** > The Cougars had leads of 1-0 and 2-1 against Padua last Friday but were not able to finish it off, falling to 0-2-1 in league play. Last week, head coach **Justin Vance** said he had his team working on the physical side of the game. “We’re going to continue focusing on the gritty side of the game in practice,” he said. “Making sure we win battles and play a physical, heavy game.”...The Cougars go up against Bowling Green Friday evening at Thornton Park in the quarterfinals of that bracketed tournament—one of the few high school tournaments using that format.

**PADUA FRANCISCAN** > After a slow start, the Bruins of Padua Franciscan have looked better over their last four games, culminating with a 4-3 overtime win over Lake Catholic in their Great Lakes Hockey League opener last Friday. **Justin Eles** scored his second goal of the game 5:20 into OT to win it for the Bruins. It was the seventh goal of the season for the junior forward.

**ST. EDWARD** > Head coach **Troy Gray** was expecting a steep learning curve with his young team this season, so he was pleased to see the Eagles perform so well on a big stage this early in the season. “With our youth we have been up and down as we expected,” said Gray. “We struggled mightily during the Northview tournament, but rebounded very nicely with a win in the 26-team Father McNamara Tournament.” Freshman forward **Noah Schultz** scored both goals in a 2-1 win over Denis Morris (ON) in the semifinals. “It all comes down to defense and goaltending, and we were not very good in Toledo,” Gray said. “Give credit to our kids. They have taken pride in doing the little things in the ‘D zone’ and it is starting to pay off.” The Eagles will try to keep it going at the Padua Tourney this weekend with tough match-ups against Olentangy Liberty, St. Charles and Sylvania Northview.

**UNIVERSITY SCHOOL** > US has only played seven games—none of them in the league—and Preppers’ bench boss **Andre Lacroix** is still trying to get his team up to speed. “We have a young team,” he said. “We lost nine forwards from our team last year and it will take us some time for the new players to adjust to the league.” Lacroix is looking forward to seeing some top-notch competition at the Padua Tournament. “I hope the kids enjoy the tournament and improve with every game,” said Lacroix. “The competition will be very good and it should be a good test for our young players to get ready for the regular season.”

**WALSH JESUIT** > Every minute that senior **Jakhari Desphy** plays in goal adds to his all-time league record for minutes played (league games only). Desphy entered the season with 1,376 minutes played in GLHL regular season games—81 more than Padua’s **Lynsey Wallace**. He ranks third all-time in wins (13) and shutouts (5), but has his work cut out for him catching former Saint Ignatius standout **Dylan McKeon** (18 wins and 10 shutouts).





## GLHL PLAYER OF THE WEEK—ANDREW STEWART, ST. EDWARD

St. Edward senior goaltender **Andrew Stewart** posted a pair of shut-outs to backstop the Eagles to the championship of the Father McNamara Tournament in St. Catharines, Ontario last weekend. For his efforts, Stewart was named the Most Valuable Player of the event.

After allowing five goals in the first two games, Stewart and the Eagles allowed just two in the next four contests, including shutouts of Lakeshore (ON) and St. Michael's (ON) in the final two preliminary round games, securing a spot in the quarterfinals.

Following a forfeit in the quarters, St. Edward head coach **Troy Gray** went right back to Stewart for the two playoff games and he responded with two more strong performances, leading the team to wins over Denis Morris (ON) and St. Mary's (ON).

"Andy Stewart is the senior leader of our hockey team and he's also the hardest worker on our team on and off the ice," said Gray. "He knew that he was going to be counted on to playing every game this weekend due to an injury and I could not of been more proud of the effort he put forth."

### PREVIOUS WINNER:

Andrew Tomer, St. Edward (Dec. 8)



## GLHL ALUMNI BIO—LOGAN ROSSITER, WALSH JESUIT '17

2016-17 All-League defenseman **Logan Rossiter** of Walsh Jesuit is now a freshman at the University of Cincinnati where he is a member of the hockey team.

Rossiter left his mark on the Walsh Jesuit program, serving as captain last year as a senior, and becoming a "go-to" option for Warriors head coach **Patrick McKendry**.

"Logan was one of the best all around players we have ever had in the Warrior program and an even better person and leader," said McKendry. "He was our first All-State player, and we are so proud of Logan and his accomplishments!"

Rossiter, a 6'3", 200-pound native of Clinton, OH, missed some games earlier in the season with a separated shoulder, but is back on the ice. He has played in 10 games for the Bearcats, producing six points (1-5-6) from the blue line.

Rossiter, 19, scored his first collegiate goal on November 4 in a 10-3 win over the University of Louisville.

Cincinnati is in second place in the Tri-State Collegiate Hockey League—right between Miami and Ohio University.

The Bearcats head into the semester break with a 20-3-0 record, and are currently ranked #8 in the Southeast Region of the American Collegiate Hockey Association (Division II).



# PADUA HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT; DECEMBER 15-17 @ STRONGSVILLE

## WEST DIVISION

Findlay Trojans (NHC Red Division)  
 Olentangy Liberty (CHC Red Division)  
 St. Charles (CHC Red Division)  
 Sylvania Northview (NHC Red Division)  
 Toledo St. Francis (NHC Red Division)  
 Toledo St. John's (NHC Red Division)

## EAST DIVISION

Holy Name Green Wave (GLHL)  
 Padua Franciscan Bruins (GLHL)  
 St. Edward Eagles (GLHL)  
 Saint Ignatius Wildcats Prep (Independent)  
 University School Preppers (GLHL)  
 Upper Arlington (CHC Red Division)

*All teams will play three preliminary games (one Friday and two Saturday) and a final placement game on Sunday  
 All games will be played at OBM Arena in Strongsville*

## 2017-18 GLHL SCORING LEADERS

NAME	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
Jacob Schmitt	LC	10	5	10	15	18
Tanyon Bajzer	STED	12	5	10	15	0
Tyler Guarniere	HN	10	7	7	14	0
Cole Horvath	LC	10	10	2	12	0
Spencer Melcher	HN	10	7	5	12	2
Andrew Tomer	STED	12	7	5	12	0
Steven LeVasseur	WJ	8	5	7	12	4
John Treppo	GA	10	8	3	11	4
Justin Eles	PAD	9	7	3	10	4
Frank Crisafi	STED	12	6	4	10	2
Ethan Whetstone	US	7	6	4	10	0
Noah Schultz	STED	12	4	6	10	0
Sabastino Layne	HN	10	7	2	9	8
Max Miotke	WJ	8	6	3	9	2
Tyler Fowles	STED	12	4	5	9	2
Charlie Valenti	GA	10	3	6	9	4
Brennan Dickey	HN	9	1	8	9	4



### SCORING LEADERS—LEAGUE PLAY

#	NAME	TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS
14	Steven LeVasseur	WJ	3	3	3	6
13	Max Miotke	WJ	3	3	2	5
9	Charlie Valenti	GA	2	2	2	4
12	Joey Martin	HN	3	2	2	4
3	Tyler Budzar	STED	2	1	3	4
12	Cole Horvath	LC	3	3	0	3
15	Tanyon Bajzer	STED	2	2	1	3
5	Tyler Guarniere	HN	3	2	1	3
2	Jacob Schmitt	LC	3	0	3	3

## 2017-18 GLHL GOALTENDING LEADERS (all games)

NAME	TEAM	W	L	T	SOL	SOG	SV	GA	GAA	SV%	SO
Andrew Stewart	STED	7	1	0	0	62	59	3	1.00	0.952	3
Critter Coughlin	US	2	0	0	0	49	46	3	1.29	0.939	0
Payton Wetzel	GA	4	0	0	0	102	96	6	1.50	0.941	0
Duncan Nichols-Delay	GA	4	2	0	0	189	179	10	1.64	0.947	1
Riley Counahan	US	2	1	1	0	88	79	9	2.45	0.898	0
Jakhari Desphy	WJ	4	2	1	1	176	160	16	2.59	0.909	2
Ross Conforto	HN	3	0	0	1	81	73	8	2.61	0.901	1
Patrick Kristo	LC	2	3	1	0	201	182	19	3.11	0.905	0
Anna Cvitkovich	HN	2	1	1	0	117	105	12	3.84	0.897	0
RJ Schuette	PAD	2	3	0	0	184	157	27	5.27	0.853	0
Rob Kish	LC	1	3	0	0	152	128	24	6.00	0.842	0

