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**DUCKING UNDER:** Waltham High goalie Mark Pratt (right) tries to sneak by Bobby Gallahue of St. John's Prep during yesterday's tourney game in Danvers.

# Prep tough on 'D'

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## SCHOOLS

Despite several penalties that left **St. John's Prep** a man down for more than half a quarter, the Eagles spread the ball on offense and relied on their defense, run by All-Americans James Fahey and Jeff Dube, to defeat **Waltham**, 10-3, in a Division 1 East boys lacrosse first-round contest yesterday in Danvers.

"Our man-down defense did pretty well," Prep coach John Roy said. "To hold them to three goals overall, considering how (often) we were down, was pretty good."

Two seemingly minor penalties cost the Eagles a total of 6½ minutes down a player. Peter Cahill's illegal stick amounted to a three-minute penalty and Chris Coady cost the Prep another 3½ minutes for wearing a necklace. Yet these setbacks happened after the Prep had built a four-goal cushion.

St. John's (16-2) opened up in true No. 2 fashion, with two Bobby Gallahue goals inside the first five minutes. Jimmy O'Connell (hat trick, assist) chimed in

to put the Prep up 3-0. No. 15 Waltham (11-9) got on the board by the end of the quarter through Brian Rowland (two goals), after slowing the pace down and executing some nice movement across the Prep goal.

But the Prep continued to tally goals in the second quarter, as Peter Cahill netted off a breakaway from Mark MacDonald's faceoff win, just 10 seconds after Jon Farrow (two goals) scored at 9:55. Perched a few feet from the Hawks net, Farrow notched his second goal before the Prep went down a man for three minutes into the second half.

Waltham's Rowland made sure to capitalize on the Eagles' misfortune, scoring with 22 seconds remaining in the half to cut the deficit to 6-2.

Though Roy's assessment of the third quarter was "a little ugly," his Eagles kept their four-point buffer by trading goals with the Hawks. Then Garrett Campbell notched two goals and O'Connell completed his hat trick to put the Prep ahead 10-3 in the fourth.

Alex Walkingshaw scored six goals and Peter Jennings

dished out four assists to lead No. 11 **Wellesley** (16-6) in a 12-5 victory against No. 6 **Foxboro** in Div. 2 first-round action.

## Girls lacrosse

Blake Dietrick, Mary Louise Dixon and Abby Bunting each scored twice and No. 3 **Wellesley** (18-1-2) bounced sixth-seeded **Walpole**, 8-2, in a Div. 1 South first-round game.

## Boys tennis

In Div. 2 South, first singles player Greg Logue won 6-2, 6-1 to help vault No. 9 **Scituate** (14-6) over No. 8 **Cape Cod Tech** (13-6), 5-0. ... The first doubles tandem Alex Brown and Abby Normandeau won 6-0, 6-4 as the skies opened up, but No. 5 **Hopkinton** (19-2) had already posted enough points to call it a 3-0 win over No. 12 **Milton**.

In Div. 3 North, seventh-grader Mike Fuca won his match at first singles, 6-0, 6-0, Miles Wood won at third singles (6-2, 7-5) and both doubles teams swept their matches as No. 10 **Manchester Essex** (11-7) topped No. 7 **Swampscott**, 4-1.