

AU women's lacrosse team stomps Medaille

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ALFRED The Alfred University women's lacrosse team picked up its first home victory of the season with a 17-4 thrashing of visiting Medaille College Wednesday evening on Merrill Field. The Lady Saxons (2-1, 0-0 Empire 8) started the match off strong netting three goals within the first seven minutes of the contest and continued their scoring frenzy throughout the remainder of the game. The Lady Saxons posted 26 shot attempts, while Medaille managed only 11 attempts on goal for the game. The AU attack was led by junior Chris Sanford (Bowdoinham, ME/Mt. Ararat) with three goals. Senior Katie Sedgwick (Manlius/Fayetteville-Manlius) tallied a pair of goals and assists while freshman midfielder Emma Pope-Welch (Southwest Harbor, ME/Mount Desert Island) also netted two goals. Junior Kelly Farrell (Meriden, NH/Kimball Union Academy), senior midfielder Kim Fank (Farmingville/Sachem), senior defense Rachel Shapiro (Wooster, OH/Wooster), freshman midfielder/goalie Jessica Giuricich (Blairstown, NJ/Blair Academy), and freshman defense Rosemary O'Sullivan (Cold Spring Harbor/Cold Spring Harbor) all recorded one goal and one assist for the Lady Saxons. The Alfred attack also received offensive assistance from junior midfielder Katie Ratchuk (Buffalo/Mt. Mercy), senior goaltender Anora Burwell (Rochester/School of Arts), junior goaltender Jessica Dunster (Auburn/Auburn), and freshmen midfielders Jessica Sundberg (Acton, MA/Acton-Boxboro Regional), as well as Erin Pavane (New York/Hyde) with one goal apiece to conclude the AU scoring. Burwell protected the AU goal for 42 minutes of action and collected 10 saves. Giuricich relieved Burwell for the final 18 minutes of regulation and recorded 3 saves. Medaille (0-1) was led by Raichel Galus, who scored two goals, along with Dawn Alfonsetti and Meghan Portka, who also netted goals. Kate Scibilia went the distance in goal for Medaille, collecting 13 saves. The Lady Saxons' will next host Ithaca College on Saturday, March 22, at 5 p.m. on Merrill Field.