

Apponequet's upcoming tough game played by an even tougher team

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LAKEVILLE- This upcoming field hockey game is expected to be one with many impressive plays featured throughout, as Apponequet will be taking on Somerset-Berkley at home on October 18. These two talented teams are sure to make up an exciting game with strong effort from both sides, creating one game that spectators won't want to miss.

Apponequet's Jaily Medeiros is the varsity team's hard working player that coach Cynthia Cuthbertson says "just never gives up." Her stamina as a right midfielder is shown throughout every game, as she's always running up and down the field to help a teammate out. "She's a very big part of our offense, as well as our defense," proving that her reliability and hard work don't go to waste. Her controlled dodges and hard passes show why she's considered the team's best man-to-man player, as she qualified for the Standard Times' Super Team in 2018. Medeiros will hopefully give Somerset's defense a tough time trying to intercept her passes and keep up with her consistent speed.

In addition to Medeiros, sophomore Riley Levrault is another surprising standout on the team. She starts as center midfielder for a reason, as she's always ready to receive an oncoming push-pass or send one off to a teammate. Her defensive skill also makes her a large contribution towards the varsity team's victories. Levrault is the epitome of a team player; she's often seen getting open for a pass or carrying the ball up the field so she can send it off to a teammate. Her hard work is just what Apponequet needs to play their best versus a notably aggressive team.

Cuthbertson says that Levrault “has shown a lot of promise” and contributes to each game she plays in.

Somerset holds a team filled with many talented players, but two of its best just happen to be brother and sister. Camryn Crook, a junior, and Lucas Crook, a senior, are both skilled midfielders that greatly contribute to the team’s average of nine to ten points per game.

At Somerset’s most recent game versus Apponequet, Camryn scored three goals within the first ten minutes of the game. Lucas also never fails to impress spectators, as his career now consists of 100 goals and 100 assists.

Somerset hopes that their strong forward line will allow them to score on Apponequet and have an easy victory. Junior Allison Renaud, a consistent spectator of Somerset games and friend of Camryn Crook, says that “the team is so cohesive and always communicates during their games. That’s a big part of what makes it so easy for them to score.”

This is expected to be a tough game for Apponequet, as Somerset hasn’t faced any losses yet this season, but their strong defense will definitely be challenged. Hopefully, their determination shown during every practice will also be demonstrated while playing. Each team features their own collection of accomplished athletes led by an experienced coach, which makes this game especially interesting for anybody thinking of watching.