XC finishes strong in 40th Annual Sean Earl Loyola Lakefront Invitational

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The cross country teams stayed in Chicago this weekend to compete in the 40th Annual Sean Earl Lakefront Invitational hosted by Loyola, where the women raced a five kilometer race and the men competed in an eight kilometer race. Both teams competed well on this hot and hilly course. The women's team had a number of personal records in their top seven, and all the runners ran strong, smart races. Abby

Jahn led the way for the ladies, setting a personal record with a time of 18:39. Jahn was followed closely by teammate Courtney Rouse, who also set a personal record with a time of 18:49. Jordan Kelch, Kira Vincent, and Anne Crotteau finished out the scoring team close together with times of 20:02, 20:20, and 20:34 respectively. Vincent was the third teammate to set a personal record in this race. Claudia Garcia had a strong finish and earned sixth place on the women's team with a time of 21:13. Garcia was followed by teammate Natalie Kruit, who finished out the top seven with a time of 21:21. Amy Zasadzinski, April Wanagas, and Isabelle Romero also had strong performances and finished with times of 22:07,

22:48, and 26:34 respectively. This was a tough field with a large number of strong teams and fast runners, but the hard work put forth by the women's team still earned them 23rd place out of 51 teams and put them in front of both St. Xavier and Trinity Christian, who will be competing in the women's conference race at the end of the season.

The men's team put in a strong effort, but they were faced with difficult conditions because they raced later in the afternoon, when the temperatures had reached their peak. Ethan Montague led the Hawks across the line with a time of 27:19. Zach Gates was the next to finish in a time of 28:08, and was followed closely by

teammate Phillip Cano who ran a time of 28:20. Landon Vowels and Andrew Montague finished out the scoring team in times of 28:51 and 30:00 respectively. Derek Burge-Beckley was the sixth Hawk across the line with a time of 30:31, and was followed by Jeffery Somerfield with a time of 30:33. Colin Mcquone, Manny Leon-Madrigal, John Paowicz, Felipe Prada, and Konrad Sneizek also had strong performances with times of 31:34, 31:38, 32:46, 32:54, and 33:07 respectively. The men's hard work earned them an overall place of 32nd out of 47 teams. The next race for both teams will be in Oshkosh, Wisconsin on Saturday, September 13th.

Women's soccer celebrates 2 wins on home turf

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The Illinois Tech Women's Soccer Team are currently sitting 2-1 in the conference with two blazing wins on their home field. Last week, the ladies played the Holy Cross Saint's for homecoming and produced a staggering 5-0 win. Goals came from senior Diana Otero, two from freshman Adrianna Maron, with Veronica Torres and Heather Bickerton

completing the scoring for Illinois Tech. All in all, it was a good day for the Hawks, recognising the achievements of seniors Amy Arnhart, Jess Carlson, Diana Otero, Lauren Capuano and Heather Bickerton.

The Hawks then travelled to Elgin, Illinois to face the Judson Eagles; however, unfortunately for the girls, a terrible first twenty minutes cost them the game. Judson managed to find their way through the Hawks' defence on numerous occasions and slotted the ball home twice within ten minutes, then followed with a long-range goal into the

top corner. Despite the Hawk's getting the ball down and beginning to find feet, their push for a comeback wasn't good enough.

On Saturday, the Illinois Tech Women's Soccer team were back to the Hawks Nest where they faced up against the Roosevelt Laker's. Despite a lax start, the ladies got the ball down on the ground and began to find their passes. The home side began to accumulate plenty of chances in the Laker's box, and were finally able to break the deadlock when Lauren Capuano dribbled the ball into the box, and placed the ball under the keeper.

Going into the second half, the Hawks knew they had to raise their level. This produced plenty of chances, which unfortunately were not taken. Tech finally added another goal to the tally when a loose ball in the box was poked past the keeper for Capuano's second of the game.

The Scarlet Hawks' next game is tonight at Stuart Field against Cardinal Stritch University, K.O 7pm. Come out and support your teams!

Premier League Review: Liverpool gains first victory

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The weekend of Premier League provided some dramatic results. To the relief of Liverpool supporters and Luis Suarez fantasy owners everywhere, Liverpool got their first victory of the season in a dominant 5-2 match with Norwich City. Suarez scored his second hat trick at Carrow Road in 5 months, while Nuri Sahin and Steven Gerrard added to the tally. Norwich got its goals from Steve Morison and Grant Holt in the loss. Liverpool finally left the bottom three with 5 points, while Norwich with 3 points is in the bottom three.

The league-leaders, Chelsea remained in top form with their 2-1 victory over

Arsenal. Chelsea stayed on top of the table with 16 points, with Arsenal holding their position near the top with 9 points. Nikicia Jelavic propelled Everton to another win in their fantastic start to the season when they defeated the struggling Southampton 3-1. Jelavic has been on a tear with 10 goals in 11 matches for Everton this season and scored twice on Saturday, while the third goal came from Leon Osman; Southampton's lone goal came from Gaston Ramirez. Everton sits second on the table with 13 points, while Southampton still has 3 and is just barely out of the bottom three.

Last year's league champions, Manchester City, came from behind to win 2-1 over Fulham, with goals from Sergio Aguero and Edin Dzeko. Fulham's goal came from Mladen Petric in the 10th minute. City is tied for third with rivals Manchester United with 12

points, while Fulham is 3 points behind. Manchester United failed to earn points against Tottenham in a 3-2 loss, where they were constantly fighting an uphill battle. Nani and newly signed Shinji Kagawa scored for United, while Jan Vertonghen, Gareth Bale, and Clint Dempsey scored for Spurs; this was U.S. star Dempsey's first goal since transferring to Tottenham. This was also a big win for Spurs' manager Andres Villas-Boas, who saw his team break a 23 year losing streak at Old Trafford. Tottenham earned three points and now has 11 to their name, just one behind United.

Newcastle required some late heroics from Demba Ba to scrounge a point against Reading. Jimmy Kebe and Noel Hunt provided goals for Reading, but Ba scored two of his own. The equalizing goal for Ba appeared to be a handball, but the referee did not see it and

Newcastle secured the points to bring their tally to 9. Reading continues its struggles after being promoted with only 2 points. Two first half goals from Peter Crouch gave Stoke City the 2-0 win over Swansea. Stoke now has 7 points, bringing them even with Swansea.

Sunderland defeated a 10 man Wigan squad in a 1-0 result. Wigan lost Jordi Gomez early in the second half on a malicious tackle, and was under pressure the rest of the game. Sunderland now has 7 points while Wigan still sits with 4 points. Darren Bent scored his 150th premier league goal to salvage a point for Aston Villa against West Brom in a 1-1 draw. West Brom's goal was scored by Shane Long. West Brom remains near the top of the table with 11 points while Aston Villa has 5 points on the season.

NFL referees agree on 8-year deal after replacement ref fiasco

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NFL fans across the nation breathed a collective sigh of relief this Saturday, after referees voted 112-5 to approve a new eightyear contract.

Most referees were able to get back to work as soon as Sunday afternoon, bring-

ing to an end three weeks of controversial officiating by replacement referees from the NFL's lower leagues.

The deal comes in the wake of a number of controversial decisions made by the replacement refs; most notably, a heavily disputed touchdown call that awarded victory to the Seattle Seahawks over the Green Bay Packers on Monday night.

The match was broadcast nationally, and prompted calls from presidential candidates Barack Obama and Mitt Romney for a quick resolve to the labor dispute.

The new contract will see a referee pay increase of \$56,000 by 2019, to over \$200,000, with new referees being awarded

significantly improved retirement benefit packages. Roger Goodell, the NFL commissioner, stated on Saturday evening, "We appreciate the commitment of the NFL Referees' Association in working through the issues to reach this important agreement."

Chicago Sports Round-up: Bears are back, Sox lose

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This was another eventful week for Chicago sports. The Chicago Bears just secured a great defensive win against the St. Louis Rams with big play from Tim Jennings and Major Wright's 45-yard pick six making up for a quiet Bears offense. Fantasy owners of that defense are sure to be happy. Their running back Matt Forte was out against the Rams with an ankle injury, but new signing from the Raiders Michael Bush filled the spot without any problems with an

early touchdown.

The Chicago White Sox (81-70) are at the Los Angeles Angels (83-69) this week and are still looking strong. However, as of late, the Sox have not had much clutch hitting and have been in a slump with only seven runs in their fourgame losing streak. Sox manager Robin Ventura is still pleased with his team's demeanor during this recent rough patch of games. "You learn more about people through adversity," he said. "We are at a point where we just keep playing. It is no time to panic."

The Cubs lost to the St. Louis Cardinals 5-4 in 10 innings and are looking to try to get some wins in as the season comes to an end for

them. There seems to be a new Cardinals-Cubs rivalry running, however, which keeps fans on the edges of their seats.

The NHL lockout completes its first week and training camps have been postponed in two countries meaning that the Blackhawks have been scattered around on what should be the beginning of their preseason training. The most disappointing aspect for the Blackhawks' fans is that the popular training camp festivals such as the 5k run outside the United Center or having fans come and watch the first drills of the season have been cancelled or postponed until further notice.

The Chicago Fire is sitting 2nd in the

Eastern Conference with striker Chris Rolfe feeling confident back from his time in Denmark, tied for team scoring leader with six goals. They beat Montreal last week 3-1 and are definitely on pace to make a strong playoff run.

As for the Chicago Bulls, the team is getting ready for the season with training camp beginning soon. Derrick Rose is ahead of schedule on his rehab and you can follow his recovery by watching a mini-series released by Adidas dubbed "The Return". You may also support him on Twitter with the hashtag #TheReturn. Feel free to follow your favorite TechNews Sports writer on Twitter as well - @ GusAlvarez7.