

# Sports



Kristen Folan set the school diving record earlier this season and has already broken her own record three times.

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## Folan soars to new heights

**Joe DiFazio**  
Staff Reporter

It's been a year of records for senior Kristen Folan. A diver on the Norwood swimming team, Folan has broken the school record and her own diving record three times this year. She is part of a diving squad that anchors the 6-5 Norwood swim team.

"I've been diving since my sophomore year," Folan said.

The senior never expected to beat the diving record, having come back from a fractured back this year.

"[I was] very excited. I was surprised. I came back from an injury this year, so I didn't think I would be able to [beat the record]," said Folan.

Folan's record score is

247.50, which she scored against Marshfield. Her dives for that meet were an inward dive, inward 1.5 summersault, back 2 summersault, back 1 summersault 1.5 twist, forward 1.5 summersault and forward 2 summersault

"They are the ones with more difficulty, like my doubles, my twists," said Folan of the dives that helped her beat the school record.

Folan was formerly a gymnast along with Mackenzie Begley, one of Norwood's other divers. It was Kim Richard, diving coach of the swim team that got Folan in to diving.

"I just kind of tried it, Kim reached out to me and my Mom. [She] thought it might be good because of my gymnastics background, so I tried it out and

I loved it," said Folan.

Folan is looking forward to the post-season, but hasn't quite figured out what she will be doing next year.

"I'm excited for [conference] I'm nervous, should be good though. I'm excited," she said.

She hasn't decided on where she will go to college, or if she will continue diving, "I've looked at a few schools and talked to some coaches. I'll make my decision soon, but I might. Not sure yet, but I might," said Folan.

She does know that she still has some work left to do with this Mustang team.

"I'm going to try my best [to beat my record again]," said Folan through a large grin.



Nick Gaetani and the swim team have also been succesful, teaming up with the divers and Kristen Folan.

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## Mustangs fall to Redhawks in three sets

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Staff Reporter

The Mustangs volleyball squad dropped their fifth straight, losing to Natick in three sets on Thursday. The team now sits at 6-11. They lost the opening set 25-5, the second set 25-15, and the final set 25-22

"We lost the first two sets pretty handily, the second set was better than the first. Natick is a really good team, they're top in our division... they play good volleyball and they're well coached," said head coach Paul Nimblett.

The first set started with several unforced Mustang errors and some lapses in communication. Natick then took control of the game, dominating above the net. Natick pounded Norwood with spikes. Natick scored 18 before Norwood got a second point. Senior captain Nicole Butts began to come alive at the end of the set with a block and a kill. She finished the game with five kills, six blocks, six service points and three aces.

"For the seniors, it's their last home game so sometimes it's a little emotional. Just coming out flat, it happens sometimes and Natick is the type of team that if you come

out flat, and you're not ready they take advantage of your mistakes. And I think we made a lot of mistakes," said Nimblett.

The second set began with similar mistakes to the first. Butts had a nice spike for a little offense, but the Mustangs were soon down 14-6 and Nimblett took a time out to focus the team. Coming out of the timeout Norwood began communicating better, but the Mustangs were still playing hesitantly, shying away from opportunities.

Norwood completely turned things around in the third set.

"We could have taken set three, ... but I was really proud of the way they played in game three and it shows when they put their mind to it they can play really well and Amanda was the leader there," said Nimblett

Amanda Springer lit up in set three. She finished the game with seven kills and five blocks. Springer had several back-to-back spikes and blocks that kept Norwood tied with Natick throughout the set. The end of the set featured some Mustang aces and Springer dumping the ball on

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Senior Captain Meg Henneberry serves against Natick.

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# Swim team tops rival Dedham, Braintree

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The Norwood High Mustangs have swung up and down this season a 99-84 win against Dedham evened the team and a 95-88 make-up meet win against Braintree puts the team at 6-5. They lost the two meets prior 101-80 against Framingham and 96-92 against Walpole.

"This pool isn't especially fast ... and we've actually worked them really hard this week," says Kim Goodwin, Norwood High Swim Coach on the Dedham pool.

At the meet against Dedham Nick Gaetani and Anthony Rodriguez had team records. Gaetani's was in the 200 individual Medley and Rodriguez's in the 100 fly. Gaetani won the individual medley by a hair in a very aggressive race.

The team had some personal bests in the meet as well from Shannon Carey, Rory Lake, Meaghan Shaughnessey, Caitlin Shaughnessey, Tessa Maguire, Shannon Bonner, Julia Kiley and Danny Hernon.

Diving is one of the Mustang's strongest events, and the divers came up big again.

Kristen Folan came in first with a score of 234. Sophomore Emerson Kerns set a personal record in diving at the meet.

"Folan dove very well ... very consistently for the first place against a talented Dedham diver," said Goodwin.

The team scored well other places, and Goodwin saw a lot of great things.

"The most impressive drops in times came from first place 500 free swimmer, Meg Norton, and sprinter, Manny Escobar, who qualified for sectionals in both the 50 and 100 free," said Goodwin.

Kristen Folan, Mackenzie Begley, and Emerson Kerns also dove well against Braintree, garnering first, second and fourth respectively.

"Great meet with Braintree. [It] came down to the last couple of events before we were ensured of the victory. They had some strong male swimmers so it was a fun, competitive meet for our whole team," said Goodwin.



Meg Norton gets off the starting block during last week's meet. The Mustangs are 6-5 on the season and performing well.

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Nick Gaetani, Meaghan Shaughnessey, and Katherine Osborne had a 1, 3, 4 finish in sprints and the Mustangs got 1 and 2 in the 200 free relay that locked up the meet. Mustangs got back seniors Katherine Osborne and Jimmy Conley, who have been out with shoulder injuries.

The team already has many

members qualified for sectionals. Nick Gaetani has qualified for the 50 and 200 sprint, and captain Anthony Rodriguez for the 200 individual medley and 100 butter-

fly. Juniors Manny Escobar and Charlotte Rivard have qualified in the 50 meter freestyle. Freshman Brendan Hurley has qualified in 100 breaststroke and 50 freestyle.

## Mustangs fall to 0-7



Newton Norh took it to Norwood over the weekend, beating the Mustangs 37-0, giving the team an 0-7 record on the year. It's been a tough season for the squad, but they continue to play hard. The team will play in the consolation bracket of the new playoff format.

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## Boys Soccer falls in season finale

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Staff Reporter

The Boys soccer team's season ended on a sour note in a 3-1 loss to Walpole. The Mustangs lost 7-1 against Natick, 5-0 against Wellesley and 2-0 against Dartmouth previously. They end their season 1-15-1.

Norwood had a pretty good game against Walpole despite the score. The offense played better than most of their games previous.

"We've had trouble finishing all year. We had lots of chances; I thought they played really well. They started out a little slow. We

couldn't quite figure out how to mark up some of their guys. Those chances at the end are tough to see," said head coach Jason Andrews.

Walpole Rebel Bobby Ivatts scored early in the first half to put Walpole up 1-0. Walpole came out aggressively, and kept it in Norwood territory. Goalie Joe Schallmo had several saves early and made them throughout the game.

"[Schallmo] was able to perform at his usual high level," said Andrews, de-

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Cameron Ryan looks for a teammate in a 3-1 loss against rival Walpole.

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spite the goalie just coming back from an injury.

Senior Captain Sem Dacaj was able to break it out a few times and threatened, but had a kick blocked.

Walpole then scored a second time after a set piece. Walpole's Chris Gallivan scored the goal. The Rebels went up 2-0, but Norwood roared back. Dacaj ripped it up the middle and scored on a beautiful kick. The ball nailed the upper right of the net. Tim Buckley assisted him.

"Great great goal for [Dacaj]. That was a beautiful shot, I was happy for him," said Andrews.

Then the midfield passing began to pick up, as did Norwood's offense. Michael Scavaotto held down the wing and transfer student Vanjiel Kutulla provided a spark on offense. He and Buckley had shots on net that didn't quite get in.

"[Kutulla] was great, it was his best game of the season. I wish that he had come to Norwood a little bit sooner. We only had for about half a season," said Andrews of the Albanian native. The team has nicknamed him "Jelly."

Chris Gallivan would put in one before the half to put the Rebels up 3-1.

In the second half Dacaj and the Mustang offense penetrated several times and had some heartbreakingly close kicks on net, Cameron Ryan had one that hit the post.

Walpole too came close several times, but Schallmo was a brick wall in the second half. Schallmo had a hand though, on one Walpole kick in which the goalie was deked out, Jesse Fleming swooped in and heroically kicked the ball out to save Norwood from giving up another goal.

"They played really well. They didn't get man-handled by Walpole. Last time Walpole was really physical with us they really took the middle against us. This time we just tried to avoid the middle. When we played it in the middle, especially in the air we lose it against Walpole," said Andrews.

The game did get a little more physical towards the end, midfielder Joseph Bartucca in particular not letting Walpole get anywhere easily. The game ended without any scoring in the second half.

"I'm sad to see these guys go, 13 seniors, but we got a nice junior class," said Andrews.

Sem Dacaj was nominated as a Bay state all-star and Joe Schallmo got an honorable mention this year.

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Emily Flavin works to keep the ball in play during a loss to Natick

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a very savvy play and Norwood and Natick were eventually tied at 22. Then a bad Norwood serve gave Natick the ball back for them to score the next three to win the game.

"[We have to] have confidence in ourselves and know that we can play the way we did in set 3. I know

we lost in set three, but that was a really good set to watch," said Nimblett.

Libero Lauren Plasko also had a nice game with 20 service receptions and eight digs. Norwood is looking forward to post-season play. Standings will come out on October 31st.

## DEATHS

### ARPINO

Linda of Norwood, on Oct. 19. Loving Life Partner of Linda S. Maher of Norwood and devoted daughter of the late Alessandro and Mariangela (Paladino) Arpino. Beloved sister of Carlo Arpino and his wife Lorelle S. of Dedham and Mario Arpino and his wife Alicia L. of Norwood. Niece of Marciano A. Paladino of Norwood; Paul DeSalvo of NH; and Philip DiBenedetto of Medford. Cherished aunt of Justin A. Arpino, Alyssa M. Arpino, Samantha E. Smith, Isabella A. Arpino, Sherri Hannan, Amy Fuller, Joseph Costello and Aleigha M. Arpino-Bishop. She is survived by stepson Shawn T. Maher and his wife Jennifer and several grandchildren and numerous nieces nephews and relatives. Funeral arrangements by the Joseph Russo Funeral Home, Roslindale. Interment will be in St. Michael Cemetery Roslindale. Linda may be remembered through the Brain Aneurism Foundation, 269 Hanover Street (Bldg 3) Hanover, MA 02339 or American Cancer Society, 30 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701.

### BEGIN

Jessica A. (Haggard), 64, of Norwood on Oct. 27. Beloved wife of David L. Button. Devoted mother of Monique E. Begin of Norwood and Damian Begin of Norwood. Step-mother of Heather Jacob of Ashland. Sister of David Ottolini of Marshfield and Jacqueline Whiting of Hull. Cherished grandmother of Lauren, Kallie and Matthew Begin. Daughter of Mildred (Cutter) Ottolini of North Weymouth and the late Dominic J. Ottolini. Jessica was a Nurse and Former Director of the BSN (Bachelor of Science in Nursing) program at Laboure College in Dorchester, MA. She also achieved her Master's Degree in Nursing. Burial be in Knollwood Memorial Park Canton, MA. At the request of the family visiting hours will be omitted. Donations may be made in her name to Hospice of the North Shore and Greater Boston 70 Walnut St. Suite 3D Wellesley, MA. 02481, Arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home Norwood.

### CALLANAN

James F., 82, of Norwood, on Oct. 23. Beloved son to the late Henry and Elizabeth (Gillis) Callanan. Beloved husband for 57 years of Marie (Moore) Callanan of Norwood, the loving father of Joseph Callanan and his wife, Tina of Walpole, Daniel Callanan of Norwood, Mary Callanan of Norwood, Julie and her husband, Raymond Hart of Westwood, Paula and her husband, Edward Coffey of Westwood, John Callanan and his wife, Amy of Munroe, CT, and Beth and her husband, Israel Alvarez of Milton; cherished grandfather of Caitlin Marie and Joseph M. Callanan, Daniel, Jake, and James Callanan, Harry and Owen Hart, Maggie, Hannah and Ned Coffey, Mackenzie, Grace and Olivia Callanan, and Desmond, Maxim and Lucas Alvarez; the dear brother of Catherine Thomas of NH, and Betsy and her husband. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, Norwood, Interment will follow the Mass in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Jim's memory to the Society of the Divine Word Miramar Retreat, 121 Parks St. PO Box M, Duxbury, MA 02331.

### CARUSO

Mary E. (Osborne), 78, of Norwood, on Oct. 26. Beloved wife of the late Lawrence W. Caruso.

Devoted mother of Lisa M. Dolan and her husband John of Norwood and the late William Caruso. Also survived by three grandchildren, Connor, Katelyn and Matthew Dolan. Sister of the late Theodore and Charles Osborne. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. Interment Mt. Feake Cemetery, Waltham.

### FINLEY

Gail A. (Perchway) on Oct. 20. Beloved wife of the late Everett J. Finley. Loving mother of Daniel M. Finley & his loving companion LuAnn Fallon of Melrose, Linda G. Dunn & her husband David and Debra A. Candeloro & her husband Robert all of Tewksbury. Devoted grandmother of Caitlin Dunn, James & Andrew Candeloro and the late Cassie Candeloro. Caring sister of Candace Johnson & her husband Philip of Mashpee. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends. Funeral arrangements by the Gately Funeral Home, Melrose.

### KASK

Luther Raymond 59, died suddenly, on Sept. 3. He is survived by his mother, Marie G. Kask of Burlington, NC, his sister, Kristen Kask Robinson, and brother-in-law, Rob Robinson of Powell, OH. He is predeceased by his father, The Rev. Dr. Raymond H. Kask, who served for 23 years as pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Norwood. Luther was born on February 21, 1954 in Norwood and was educated in the Norwood schools, graduating from Norwood High School in 1972. It was his love for the water that drew him to Sanibel Island in 1978 where he opened and operated Sanibel Creative Tile Company in 1983 which was in existence until his death. He became a skilled yachtsman and enjoyed sailboat racing in local regattas along the coast from Tampa to Marco Island. Being an avid boater he also enjoyed sport fishing for tarpon, sailfish and marlin. He gave back to the community in many ways preferring to remain anonymous. He was a strong supporter of hospice and the local homeless shelters. One of his favorite and most notable acts was delivering turkeys to them at Thanksgiving and Christmas. A memorial graveside service will be held at 11:00 a.m. at Highland Cemetery in Norwood on Nov.2. Donations in Luther's memory may be given to Calumet Lutheran Ministries, P.O. Box 236, W. Ossipee, NH 03890 or to the Emmanuel Lutheran Church Steeple Fund, 24 Berwick St., Norwood, MA 02062. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Gillooly Funeral Home, Nortwood.

### KOSIN

Thomas M., 49, of Norwood, on Oct. 20. Beloved son of Max and Paula Kosin of Dedham. Brother of Ralph and his wife Shirley Kosin of Walpole. Nephew of Erika and Hank Wainwright of Westwood. Godfather of Natalie Kosin of Walpole. Uncle of Adam Kosin of Walpole. Also survived by numerous aunts, uncles & cousins, here and in Germany. Funeral arrangements by the George F. Doherty and Sons, Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, Dedham. Interment private.

### MCGOVERN

Anne V. (McCoy), 90, formerly of Norwood, Beloved wife of the late William "Bill" McGovern, died on October 19, 2013, in Wrentham, MA, of cardiopulmonary arrest. Born in Boston, MA, she graduated from Girls' Latin High School, Boston. A long-time Norwood resident, she was a president of the Norwood Catholic

Women's Club. She was the co-owner of the very popular McGovern's Restaurant on Rt. 1 in Walpole, MA, before moving in 1970, to Eagle Lake, FL, where she became a proprietor of a motel and an assisted-living facility. She was active in Eagle Lake city politics, serving as Councilwoman and City Mayor, during a period of city growth and municipal expansion. After leaving city politics, she was an active member of the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce, and an energetic participant and board member of several area social clubs. She moved to Mansfield, MA, in 2006, to be closer to her children. Beloved mother to William and his wife, Virginia, of Alexandria, VA, son Robert and his wife, Mary Ann, of Derry, NH, daughter Barbara (McGovern) Harris and her husband, Lenny, of Norwood, MA, daughter Beverly Cherry and her husband, Arthur, of Naples, FL, and son Stephen and his wife, Michele, of Mansfield, MA, as well as 15 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Anne was the oldest of 5 children, and is survived by her two sisters, Alice Mullins of Miami, FL, and Mary Kearns of Lighthouse Point, FL. In accordance with her wishes, funeral arrangements will be private.

### RONDINELLI

Mary J. (Bigwood)72, formerly of Norwood, on Oct. 22. Beloved wife of the late Joseph L. Rondinelli. Daughter of the late John and Margaret (Doyle) Bigwood. Devoted mother of Joseph M. Rondinelli and his wife Ellen of Milton, James R. Rondinelli and his wife Marisa of Norton, Michael J. Rondinelli of NC, Kara J. Rondinelli Pitcher and her husband Adam of NH and Teresa A. Rondinelli and her husband Adrian R. Mejia of Norwood. Loving Sister of John Bigwood of IL, Joseph Bigwood of New Hampshire and Robert Bigwood of Florida and the late Phyllis, Richard and David. Cherished grandmother of Gerald, Joseph, Fallon, Reinaldo, Alexi, Dominic, Niamh and the late Ricardo. Funeral arrangements by the Kraw-Kornack Funeral Home, Norwood. At the request of the family burial will be private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to a No Kill Animal Shelter of your choice.

### SAVAGE

James R. Savage Sr., 84, on Oct. 25. Retired Superintendent of the Norwood (MA) Public Schools, Beloved husband of Catherine "Kay" (Jennings), treasured father of James Savage, Jr. of Hunt Valley, MD, Steve Savage, Dr. Mary Savage Brown, Cathy Savage-Eysie and father in law of John Eysie all of Norwood MA. Mr. Savage was the loving grandfather of Jayme, Megan, and Kelli Brown; James III and Erica Savage; as well as Ryan and Tori Eysie. Mr. Savage was the brother-in-law of the late Reverend Henry "Skip" Jennings, as well as Louis Jennings, Sr. of Norwood, his wife Carol and their four children. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, Oct. 31st, at 10:00 AM in St. Timothy Church, 650 Nichols St., Norwood, MA. Interment will follow the Mass in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Visiting hours was held on Wednesday, Oct. 30th, from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at St. Timothy's Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in James' memory to the James R. Savage Scholarship Foundation, 103 Vanderbilt Ave., Norwood, MA 02062. Please see accompanying article in this newspaper.