

# '68 Soccer

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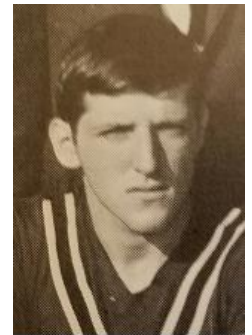
The Class of '68 soccer players had a major impact on Penn soccer and on Ivy League soccer. The Class of '68 soccer players had a great start with an undefeated Freshman team. The nucleus of that Freshman team would immediately strengthen Penn varsity soccer beginning Sophomore year. As Sophomores, at least 4 Class of '68 players became varsity starters and several others played significant roles on the team. The '65 varsity soccer team had a 7-3-1 record and finished [runner up] in the Ivies. That team was the first alternate team in its region for the NCAA tournament (which at that time only included 12 teams). The '66 varsity team had at least 5 starters and several other players from the Class of '68. Although that team was only .500, it would set the stage for senior year for the Class of '68. The '67 varsity team again had at least 6 Class of '68 starters and again several other class members had significant roles. The '67 team would only lose one game (a fluke 2-1 loss to Columbia where Penn outshot Columbia 23 to 6).



Larry Miller, Win Walp, Steve Mazzetti and Ted Isaacson

The team was again runner-up in the Ivies and was the first seed in its region for the NCAA tournament (in which the team was unable to participate due to the Ivy League boycott of NCAA tournaments in all sports due to eligibility rules). Though Penn was prevented from being in the NCAA tournament after the loss to Penn, Navy went on to make it to the final four in the NCAA tournament.

The '67 team set many records – fewest goals per game allowed, 8 shutouts, fewest goals allowed against a team in a season (6 goals allowed in 12 games, still a Penn and Ivy League record to this day), and breaking Navy's 5 season, 48 game straight undefeated record. The Class of '68 had many individual honors too: Ted Isaacson, goalie, was named All-American. Roger Lorberbaum, Charlie Dewey and Larry Miller were awarded All-Ivy honors.



Charlie Dewey



Win Walp

The 1967 Navy game was designated the most significant victory in UPenn soccer history. Navy had not lost in 48 straight regular season games over a 5 year span and was going against an unbeaten (4-0-2) Penn soccer team, at Annapolis on Navy's Homecoming. Penn had beaten Swarthmore 10-0 and Navy had beaten Gettysburg 17-0 on the Tuesday leading into the showdown. Having arrived at the Navy fieldhouse, and having dressed for the game, the UPenn team had to leave the Navy field house and take a bus to the playing field. The team was escorted to the bus by one of the Navy team managers. This team manager insisted on exhorting

the many virtues of the Navy team and kept telling the Penn team that it didn't have a prayer against Navy. After the game, one of the greatest upsets ever, this same manager was at the field house greeting the returning buses. The first Penn player off the bus was immediately accosted by this manager who asked him how badly did Penn lose. He told him that the final score was 2-1. The manager "graciously" congratulated Penn on how well the Penn team had done, and how close a game Penn had played. The manager threw out a "better luck next time" kind of comment, to which he was told "PENN WON". It seemed as though the manager was going to commit Hari Kari, What a feeling.



Larry Miller

Another event occurred at the beginning of the game. The Penn seniors were asked to join team Captain Larry Miller at the midfield just prior to the start of the game for the coin flip. The Navy captains were obviously there as well, along with the referees. Penn was playing the game at Annapolis, which in and of itself was a big disadvantage for Penn. Penn was playing the number one team in the country at their home field (advantage Navy). While waiting for the coin toss, the referees started talking with the Navy captains ....on a first name basis. Navy not only had the home field advantage, but also has the advantage of "homer" refs. But, to those watching, it seemed that Penn had as much talent as Navy were in good condition as well.) A lot of the game was played in the midfield et al, put up

a great defense that Navy had a hard time penetrating. Penn scored early, on a penalty kick by Ken Rigden after Rett Sturmman headed a ball towards a certain goal that was actually caught by a Navy defensemen setting up the penalty kick. Navy scored its goal shortly thereafter.

The first half ended tied at 1-1. At halftime the Navy coach was overheard telling the Navy team that the second half would separate the men from the boys. Well, the men from Penn scored their second goal with less than 20 minutes remaining in the game on a cross from Charlie Dewey, "through" Rett Sturman, to Roger Lorberbaum, who put the ball into the Navy net.



Roger Lorberbaum



Ted Isaacson

Penn was now 18 minutes from one of the biggest college soccer upsets ever. To the Penn side, the last 18 minutes seemed like an eternity. With about 2 minutes left in the game the "homer" refs awarded Navy a "phantom" foul just outside the penalty box. Penn was not happy with the call. Even gentleman Charlie Scott was upset. Ted Isaacson's save was a beauty, the direct kick was low and to the left of Teddy. Teddy dove and blocked the shot with his outstretched left hand. A truly great save, especially under the circumstances. In reflecting back on the game, many, including Coach Scott, thought it was one of the best games played by any UPenn team.

Finally, this was Coach Scott's final season after an incredible 25 year coaching career. His teams won 3 Ivy champions, tied for 3 other Ivy championships, and produced 21 All-Americans Coach Scott's leadership and character produced a generation of relationships that are strong today. We were honored and thankful to have played for Coach Scott in his final season."



Charlie Scott

# SOCCER

Coach Charley Scott's twenty-five year career as head of Quaker soccer almost ended like a fairy tale. His last Penn soccer team finished with a 7-1-4 record and three goals away from an Ivy championship. Captain and first team All-Ivy fullback Larry Miller, All-Ivy goalie Ted Isaacson, and fullbacks Steve Mazetti and Win Walp made up a defense that shut out seven teams, breaking a sixty-three year old school record. Only a late season tie with Yale and a one goal loss to Columbia kept the Quakers from a share of the Ivy crown. Early in the season Penn tied Brown, the perennial league leaders,

1-1. Soph Tom Hutchison rammed a goal into the Bruin net in the first quarter, and Brown had to play catch-up for most of the game, scoring with barely six minutes left.

But the biggest upset of the season was over Navy, breaking the Middies' five-year, forty-eight game winning streak 2-1. Excelling all season were All-Ivy forward Roger Lauberbaum, who led the squad in assists, and scoring leader Rett Sturman.

For the second year in a row Penn opened the season with a tie with a strong Temple team. In other non-league games Haverford and Swarthmore were put away handily, the latter by a 10-0 score. Drexel managed a mild upset by tying Penn 2-2.



ROW ONE: C. Dewey, T. Thayer, R. Lorjbaum, L. Miller, *Captain*, T. Isaacson, W. Walp, S. Mazzetti. ROW TWO: C. Scott, *Coach*, R. Sturman, K. Rigden, S. Whitenick, A. Gibson, S. Wean, M. Kirsch, *Manager*. ROW THREE: B. Edmonds, B. Vogt, J. Rosenglick, B. Badal, F. Cobb.

# Penn booters end Navy 48-game win skein, 2-1

By BOB SAVETT

"Defeat is a word that (coach) Glenn Warner has practically eliminated from Navy's soccer vocabulary," states the Naval Academy fall sports brochure rather proudly.

It had been an interim of five years and 48 games since the Midshipmen had known defeat in a regular season engagement, but they certainly added the word to their vocabularies Saturday, as Penn's undefeated Ivy co-favorite squad torpedoed the five-year Middie streak, 2-1.

Senior Roger Lorberbaum, who scored the winning goal in three of last year's five Quaker victories, was back to his old tricks Saturday.

Coming from his right wing position, Lorberbaum slammed home a Charlie Dewey cross with his left foot from twenty yards out, early in the fourth quarter, to break a 1-1 deadlock which had stood since late in the second stanza.

The winning goal, only the senior playmaker's second of the year, climaxed a half in which the Quakers dominated the action.

"We were outplayed in the first half," observed veteran Red and Blue soccer coach Charlie

Scott, "but we came back and did a much better job in the second half, taking nine shots to their five."

Penn was the first team to get on the scoreboard in the opening half, however. Right halfback Rett Sturman, with his back to the Navy goal, headed a Lorberbaum corner kick backwards past the Middie netminder but not into the Middie goal.

Just as the sphere would have



ROGER LORBERBAUM  
Scuttles Middie streak

passed under the crossbar, a Navy fullback reached up and picked the ball out of the air, illegally using his hands. Penn sophomore Ken Rigden converted the ensuing penalty kick and the Quakers had a short-lived 1-0 lead.

Navy's Bob Reid, however, soon broke through to even the score. It was the only time all morning the explosive Middie line, which had racked up 17 goals in its previous encounter against Gettysburg, penetrated the Penn backfield.

Coach Scott had nothing but praise for Penn fullbacks Win Walp, Larry Miller, and Steve Mazzetti, calling them the key to the victory. The trio has been outstanding all season, leading a combined defensive effort which has allowed but two goals in six games while the offense was busy tallying nineteen.

Twelve of those nineteen goals have come in the latest two victories, and the cause appears to be a switch in the starting lineup. Sturman, now Penn's leading scorer, has won the right halfback job, causing coach Scott to shift former halfback Rigden to inside and former inside Tom Hutchison to his familiar outside slot.

Footnotes:

In '67, Navy made it to final four before losing to eventual co-national champ St Louis 1-0, while Penn Soccer were debating the 1.6 ruling. We could have ended up playing Navy again.

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(Photo by DANIEL WOLF)

HALFBACK RETT STURMAN races to join mob of Penn booters congratulating Roger Loberbaum scored the fourth quarter tally which gave the Quakers a 1-0 victory Saturday at Princeton. The win, Penn's fifth shutout of the year, moved the Red and Blue into a first place tie for the Ivy soccer lead.

## Five booters are All-Ivy Miller makes first team



LARRY MILLER  
Unanimous choice

Captain Larry Miller of the Penn soccer team was selected as a member of the 1967 All-Ivy soccer team by the coaches of the Ivy League.

Ted Isaacson, Penn's star goalie, Tom Hutchinson, and Roger Loberbaum were named to the All-Ivy second team, and Charley Dewey received Honorable Mention.

The teams were determined by points with each player getting five points for the first team selection and three for second team. A player had to have at least ten points for honorable mention. Miller along with Pat Migliore of Brown were tied for the most points with each getting 47.

# Retiring Scott Gives Navy Big Boot

By DICK METZGAR

Last Saturday was a day to remember in the life of Charlie Scott. Scott, who has been doubling as Penn's assistant athletic director and soccer coach, doesn't very often get overly excited. He did Saturday.

It was the day that he announced that this would be his last season as the Quakers' soccer coach because he wanted to devote full time to his administrative duties in the rebuilding of Penn's athletic fortunes.

It was also the day his soccer team pulled one of the biggest upsets in the 25 years he's been head varsity coach. Penn, undefeated with a 4-0-2 record, broke Navy's 49-game regular season winning streak with a hard-fought, 2-1 victory at Annapolis.

SCOTT RANKS the victory with the 4-3 Penn win over Princeton in 1955, the year the Quakers tied Harvard for its first Ivy crown. "This was a great win," said the silver-haired coach, who played on Penn's last undefeated team in the early 1930s. "The Navy game has always been one of the big games for us. The kids were on cloud nine after beating them because Navy was on a pedestal and was something special for the kids to shoot for. They had



CHARLIE SCOTT  
... "a great win"

reason to get excited and jump around because this was one of those special occasions."

There is still a long way to go this season, but the Quaker booters have shown promise of becoming one of the best teams during Scott's long tenure as head coach.

"I don't like to evaluate a team with the season only half over," said Scott. "But this team shows the most promise since the 1955-56 team. It's hard to compare teams of different eras because the competition changes so much over the years. That Ivy League championship team was a real smooth one. The key to that season was the

victory over Princeton. It's always good to beat Princeton, no matter what the sport."

UNBEATEN PRINCETON will host the Quakers next Saturday at Princeton. Penn is favored, but this scares Scott because he feels it puts the Quakers in the same boat as Navy was in last Saturday. "You can bet that Princeton is going to be high for us," he said. "After we came up with that big victory over Navy, we're going to be a choice target for our opponents."

College soccer has come a long way since his early days as a player and coach. He is a charter member of the National Soccer Coaches Association. "There weren't very many of us at that first meeting, but over the years college soccer has grown into something big. We even had to move this year's meeting to a larger hotel with more facilities in New York," he said.

The importance of recruiting has increased over the years.

"Ten years ago I didn't have to do much," said Scott. "I was generally able to build a team with the material that came out. Now, college soccer has become so big that recruiting for the good material has become important. Many of our best players are local Philadelphians. Some of the best high school soccer in the country is played right here in Philly."

PROFESSIONAL SOCCER and the presence of the Spartans in the National Professional Soccer League will be a help to colleg

soccer, he believes. "Professional soccer will bring the sport before many more people through television," he observed. "Kids who watch soccer on television will be encouraged to go out and kick the ball around."

Scott goes back to his days as freshman coach in the 1940's for one of the most amusing events. "We were playing Hill School and we had this young sub who was very immature at the time. I decided to put him in for a player who was very tired. One of our players took a goal shot and the ball hit the crossbar. This sub came racing in and stumbled. As he was falling flat on his face the ball hit him in the head and went in for a goal. It clinched a 2-0 victory for us, and the next day he was a hero. You might say he stumbled into fame."

Penn has impressive double-overtime ties with powerhouses Temple (0-0) and defending Ivy League champion Brown (1-1), and a 10-0 thrashing of Swarthmore in its fast 1977 start.

The way the Quakers have been playing soccer would be enough to excite any coach, especially a coach who will no longer give instructions from the sidelines after this season.

**After 25 years**

# Scott resigns as soccer coach

By MARK LIEBERMAN

Charles Scott, head soccer coach at Pennsylvania for 25 years, will resign from his post at the end of this season, it was announced yesterday.

Scott, who also serves as assistant director of athletics, cited the increasing amount of work in both posts as his reason for resigning.

"The expanding athletic program has created a lot more paperwork and I'm required to be at my desk more," Scott explained. "Soccer coaching, recruiting and other related activities make it almost impossible to do justice to both jobs."

Scott graduated from Penn

in 1936 and was an All-American center forward and captain of the 1935 Quaker soccer squad. He took over as coach in 1943, replacing Douglas Stewart, who had served in the post for 38 years.

Scott spent two years in the army during World War II and has served as coach of the soccer team continuously since 1946.

Under Scott's leadership the soccer team has had a 134-75-19 record, winning or sharing six league titles. The 1967 edition of his squad has won three of its first five games, tying two, and has allowed only one goal in the five games.

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**CHARLES SCOTT**  
Veteran mentor resigns

## Charles Scott resigns

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Scott said yesterday he planned to tell his team of his decision following Thursday's practice. He explained that the timing of the announcement will give the athletic department enough time to look for his successor.

The assistant athletic director said that he was not influenced by Athletic Director Fred Shabel in making his decision.

"I've been considering resigning for a few years," he said. "I didn't want to wait until I was too old before I retired.

When Mr. Stewart resigned he was an old man, and I vowed that I wouldn't wait that long before calling it quits."

During Scott's soccer career he has served on the U.S. Olympic Soccer Committee and was chairman of the NCAA Soccer Rules Committee. Last winter he was honored by the National Soccer Coaches Association and received the Silver Anniversary Honor Award for his contributions to the sport. He was a charter member of that group and has served as president and secretary of the organization.





As Ted reflects, it's hard to believe some of these records have held up for 50 years. If I were to put a caption under this photo: *'Arguably, statistically, the best defensive unit in Ivy soccer history, still'* our '67 team played against teams w/ 7 All-Americans, in 12 games.

7 - We played against:

1st Team     Navy-Tom Teach  
                  Brown-Pat Migliore  
                  Temple-Jacob Meehl

2nd Team     Brown-Victor De Long

Honorable Mention:

Dartmouth-Leon Myriantopoulos  
Temple-Robert Peffie  
Harvard-Jamie Vargas  
Penn-Ted Isaacson