

# *Hamilton College Field Hockey*

## *October 2010*

Dear alumni, families and friends,

I wanted to provide an update as we head into the post-season. October 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> marked our last Liberty League Conference games. Going into the weekend, we knew that our Skidmore game on Sunday would decide the top seed for the Liberty League Tournament. First up, however, was Union. We played a solid game against a very aggressive and strong Union team and came out with a 2-0 victory. That evening the players and their families gathered in the Bristol Center for our annual Field Hockey family and friends dinner. We had almost seventy people in attendance this year! This event has become an annual tradition and seems to grow year after year. Saturday night was a special evening because we recognized our lone senior, Colleen Callaghan. Steve Spagnolo, father of Marisa Spagnolo '12, put together a great slide show to celebrate Colleen's field hockey career. It was complete with baby pictures!

Sunday afternoon we took on Skidmore College for first place in the conference. We knew going in that it would be a very tough game, and it was. Skidmore outplayed us for the majority of the first half and we were very lucky, thanks to some great saves by our goalkeeper, Molly Brooks '14, to be down by two goals at halftime. After a couple of adjustments, we came out in the second half with a new sense of urgency. It really was a game of two halves as we turned the tables and outplayed Skidmore. We were able to cut Skidmore's lead in half with Nikki Haskins' 14 goal midway through the second half. We had some great opportunities, but just were not able to squeak one past the Skidmore keeper. It was a tough loss because it meant we would not be the top seed in the tournament, however, the team came out of this game understanding that on any given day we can compete with any team in the country. We earned the second seed in the Liberty League tournament for the second year in a row. We host a talented William Smith squad on Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5 p.m. on Campus Road.



# Hamilton to play in third consecutive Liberty League Tournament



#2 Hamilton College will play #3 William Smith College at 5 p.m. on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at Hamilton College's Campus Road turf field. Check out a [preview](#) of the Liberty League Tournament including a link to live statistics.

Special thanks to our fans this season!!!



The women's ice hockey and lacrosse teams



Women's rugby team



Colleen Callaghan '11 makes a play while family and friends cheer her on in the background.

Special thanks again to Doug Haskins, parent of Nikki Haskins '14, for his beautiful pictures. Check out [Doug's website](#) for more.



Team huddle right before overtime against NESCAC rival Williams



Colleen Callaghan '11 and Erin McNally '12 celebrate Nikki Haskins '14 overtime goal against Williams



Caitlin Livsey '12 carries the ball up the field against Union College