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## Hingham High School Student Receives MIAA Student-Athlete of the Month Award

Brian Odell, a senior at Hingham High School, has been selected as a recipient of the "MIAA Student-Athlete of the Month Award" for November 2021. Brian Odell is special--this is how Jim Quatromoni, Hingham Athletic Director describes him. A two-sport student-athlete in Soccer and Outdoor Track, Brian is a confident scholar who has increased his GPA each year at high school, resulting in consistent Honor Roll recognition. He challenges himself with Advanced Placement and Honors-level courses and "is one of the most respected STUDENT-athletes in our building," according to Quatromoni. His AP Chemistry teacher stated, "Brian is extremely diligent and cares about deeply understanding the material. He works well with a variety of peers, and in this way serves as a leader among his friends, showing an example of strong academic practices." His Honors American History teacher said, "Brian was an avid participant in all class discussions and asked challenging, thought-provoking questions of both me and his peers." Brian is a member of the Hingham High School National Honor Society.

On the soccer pitch, Brian's "exceptional leadership skills" helped lead his team to a #1 ranking this fall. A three-year Varsity player, Brian was named captain and selected as a Patriot League All-Star. Ken Carlin, Varsity Soccer Coach indicated, "Brian is a strong defender who helped prevent the other team from playing in the middle of the field. In transition his strong accurate passing restarted our attacks." An active participant in Hingham's Captains' class, which is held prior to the start of school, Brian's engagement and willingness to share impacted all team captains and programs. Brian took to heart the New Zealand All Blacks slogan adopted by the class, "Leaders sweep the sheds." Quatromoni noted how Brian is "willing to do the little things" as was demonstrated after a home game loss in the Round of 16. After sharing personal moments with a teammate, his father and then his coach, Brian proceeded to "turn around and move towards the head of our bench area and clean up water bottles and jay wrap. In what is likely the most difficult moment of his athletic career, Brian was "sweeping the sheds" by cleaning up after the game."

In the community, Brian and his teammates organized a Breast Cancer Awareness and Research fundraiser at a soccer game as well as a two-mile run in Wompatuck State Park during Halloween. The Halloween event had participants who ran in costumes and sought sponsorships to support Cancer Research. At this time, over \$5,000 has been collected from both events. Carlin stated, "Brian is a good leader, a good athlete and a great teammate."

The Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) Student-Athlete of the Month Award is presented on a monthly basis to two student-athletes

who display excellence in the areas of academics, athletics and community service. Students in grades 9-12 who attend MIAA member schools are eligible to receive the award. Monthly award recipients receive a certificate of recognition, are featured on [www.miaa.net](http://www.miaa.net) and MIAA social platforms, and will be honored at a local ceremony to honor their selection. Each recipient will be eligible for the Harry Agganis Student-Athlete of the Year Scholarship provided on behalf of the Agganis family. Nominations for the MIAA Student-Athlete of the Month award may be submitted by principals, athletic directors, teachers, coaches, guidance counselors or other school administrators. For additional information about the MIAA Student-Athlete of the Month Award program please visit [www.miaa.net](http://www.miaa.net).

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