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Dunlavey, Canapary pace MCHS girls

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When opposing coaches see Ava Dunlavey and Dawn Canapary in the starting lineup, they're sure to be trembling.

Dunlavey scored four goals and Canapary added three of her own as the Mariposa County High School girls soccer team sprinted past Big Valley Christian on Monday, 10-2.

And it was definitely a sprint.

Dunlavey and Canapary used their speed to blow past BVC's backline, which simply didn't have the speed to match the Grizzlies.

If they keep it up, opponents will be in trouble. Dunlavey and Canapary have plenty of talent and chemistry to spare.

"They both play for the same club team in Merced," said MCHS coach Adam Finney.

Grace Flanagan, Jasmine Lopez and Bernadette Wall each added goals for the Grizzlies.

"I thought the girls displayed good patience," Finney said. "Our focus and passing was pretty good."

Finney said BVC's head coach, Hervi Rualo, is a "legend" in California soccer as a coach at Las Positas College.

"He's been coaching since 1968," Finney said. "They're building a program. So you can see they had some good players and some players who maybe haven't played a lot of soccer."

The MCHS girls are now 2-1 this season.

They are set to play at Waterford on Monday and at Denair on Wednesday, both at 5 p.m.

MCHS breezes past Stone Ridge Christian

On Friday, Dec. 1, prior to hosting BVC, MCHS went on the road and beat Stone Ridge Christian with ease, 5-1.

Dunlavey scored about two minutes into the game.

"We had the majority of the possession," Finney said. "We were able to move the ball up and score."

Other goal scorers for MCHS included Canapary (two goals), Flanagan and Quinn Whatley.

"Grace Flanagan scored on an absolute bomb from about 22 yards out," Finney said.

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