**Schneider returns in BHS win**

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BAXTER — The Brainerd Warriors seemed positive after their 2-0 defeat by Fergus Falls Thursday and came ready to play in Saturday’s non-conference matchup with Detroit Lakes.

Brainerd’s optimism was justified. Having home-field advantage on a sunny day was a plus. However, the real reason for Brainerd’s excitement was the return of Max Schneider, who was benched for Thursday’s game because of a knee injury.

Schneider demonstrated his value by scoring the first goal at 36:42.

An energized Warriors refused to make the same mistake they did against the Otters by coming out flat in the second half.

Andy Bartel rocketed in a goal at 46:19 off “a great pass from Angelo (Palcaro).”

Less than five minutes later Karl Magnuson kicked another score past Lakers’ goalkeeper John Carter, who despite his teams’ loss, made 16 saves.

A fourth Brainerd score came off the foot of Nick Mangan. Both Magnuson and Mangan were assisted by Max Schneider.

Brainerd’s fifth and final goal was Bartel’s second at 73:50 on an assist from Tim Lange.

Throughout the second half the Lakers’ tried to gain offensive momentum. The Brainerd defense allowed no slack to its opponent. The Lakers continued their attempts but were unable to get anything past Brainerd’s defense. Warrior goalkeeper Josiah Collins needed to make just five saves in the shutout.

Brainerd Coach Cahil Collins expressed his gratitude for such a “well played” and “fun game.”

But Collins offered a humble statement in reference to the Lakers, “The Detroit Lakes team is in its rebuilding years.”

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First half – Brd, Max Schneider (Josh Johnson) 34:42
Second half – Brd, Andy Bartel (Angelo Palcaro) 46:19, Karl Magnuson (Schneider) 54:35, Nick Mangan (Schneider) 59:46, Bartel (Tim Lange) 73:50
Shots on goal – Brd 2-3 – 5; DL 14-13 – 27
Goalkeepers – Brd, Josiah Collins (5 saves); DL, John Carter (16 saves)
Conference – Brd 3-5-1 Overall – Brd 5-6-1 Next game – Alexandria at Brainerd 5 p.m. Monday.