## No.1 Saints trip No.1 Cougars

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The boys who play soccer at Xavier and Kennedy pass each other on the way to school in northeast Cedar Rapids every day and they're all entitled to raise their index finger as the No.1 soccer team in Iowa.

The Saints are No.1 in Class 2A and the Cougars are No.1 in Class 3A, but now the Saints are No.1 on 42nd Street.

At least for now.

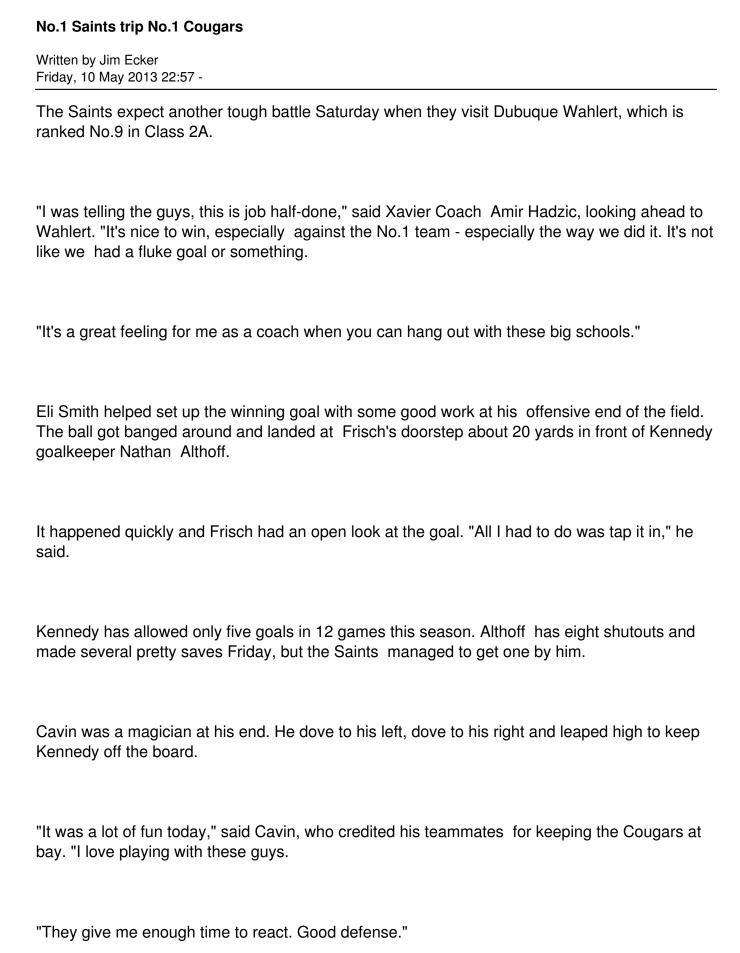
Isaac Frisch scored midway through the first half and Paul Cavin made a series of acrobatic saves as Xavier handed Kennedy its first loss of the season, 1-0, Friday evening at the Kennedy field.

"It's good to defeat a No.1 team," said Frisch, who has scored 10 goals in 11 games this season. "We knew we had to come in with high intensity and we did it."

The Metro area and Mississippi Valley Conference are loaded with outstanding soccer teams this year, with the Saints and Cougars two prime examples.

"It comes down to which team has more intensity and really which team has more leadership," said Frisch, speaking about the conference in general, "and I think we do this year."

Xavier raised its record to 8-3, with all three losses to Class 3A teams by one goal each time. Kennedy fell to 11-1.



Hadzic said Cavin has played very well this season. He said the netminder had some "extra

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pounds" when he was younger, but said he's worked hard to become a top-notch athlete.

"This year he made another huge jump," the coach said. "This is eight shutouts. He really gives us so much confidence by catching every high ball and dominating the box. And he can punt the ball 80-90 yards. It's really helpful."

Frisch got a yellow card wth 12:02 left in the game when he accidentally collided with Kennedy's Mitch Bobbin. Frisch had to serve a 10-minute penalty, but his teammates survived without him.

"I was just going for the ball and trying to win it," said Frisch, "but it didn't happen that way and I hit him and I got a card for it. But oh well. The game's over."