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**Pocono Hosts Colonials Youth in Tournament Weekend  
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The Morris County Colonials' youth squads headed across the border to Pennsylvania this weekend, taking on a whole host of squads from around the area as part of the organization's ongoing desire to further the development of boys' soccer in northern New Jersey.

Andy Steer was head coach of both U10s teams - the Maroon and White - as the squads were entered into the same group, playing each other in the second match-up for both sides. The Maroon would ultimately triumph 8-2, though they worked hard to get the scoreline.

The Maroon continued their weekend with a better outcome, with three wins - the other two coming in a 5-2 win over TRSP Roma NJ and a 4-1 defeat to TSF Academy U10 White. However, the best performance came in a 3-1 loss to Dix Hills Cosmos. "It was the strongest performance of the weekend," Steer said, "though we didn't get result to match it! We enjoyed most of the possession but the boys were punished by great counter-attacks." The opening game was also a loss, as TSF Academy U10 Blue beat the Maroon 2-0.

The Morris County Colonials U10 White opened with a 2-1 win against TSF Academy U10 White but went on to lose four straight games including the tie against the Maroon, though the boys put in spirited performances. TSF Academy U10 Blue won 4-1, the Dix Hills keeper put in a great performance to limit the tie to a 5-3 loss, and the final game against TSRP Roma ended 3-1. "There were some very tired legs but the boys played very well. I look forward to next week's action," Steer concluded.

Hayden Bedwell, who also serves as the Colonials NPSL team assistant coach, took the Morris County Colonials U12 White to the Pocono tournament. Despite winning 4-11 against Tab Ramos Giggs after goals from Drew Linz, Matt Shishkoff and a brace from Nick Farone, the squad lost their other three games. Despite dominating the game, the White lost 1-0 to USA Academy after conceding an early goal. DTS won 5-1 against the White, while Parsippany Prey handed the team a 4-2 defeat.

"The boys showed a lot of heart and while the losses were tough, we know we will only get better after this," said Bedwell. "We will head into the next tournament with the expectation to do ourselves justice."

Finally, Sean Kiernan reported in about his U11 team, who had similar fortunes to the U12 White. However, the squad's only win came against DTS after a great volley from Vincent put the team ahead. The squad lost 2-0 against Tab Ramos Academy, 8-0 to USDA PA and closed the weekend with a 4-0 loss to USA Academy.

"After losing the first game 2-0 we gave ourselves a mountain to climb, Kiernan concluded. "Nonetheless, the boys rallied well on Sunday after a disappointing first day and we placed 3rd in our bracket after winning against DTS. They will bounce back next weekend, I'm sure."

The [Morris County Colonials](#) are members of the [National Premier Soccer League](#), and have a wide range of youth teams participating in tournaments around New Jersey. The organisation is part of the [New Jersey Soccer Group](#), a management company for a family of soccer based organizations offering a full range of soccer services in New Jersey.