

# Sports



## Duch's Corner

By Ken Aducci,

I would like to open this week with a suggestion for Wrisberg Social Drinkers Club (W.S.D.C.): Change your name to W.A.D.C. (Wrisberg Abusive Drinkers Club). How's that for a plug, J.R.? I bet you get 100 new members this week.

I would also like the attention of Lt. Colonel S.C. Anon. I'm not much of a psycho, but I can make up some nasty flyers to be dropped over Russia, to tell them to mind their own country's affairs.

Okey dokey, back to sports. It's tough this week because Harry made us print two papers back-to-back! But I can't complain--my meaningless article is just a small fraction of what Harry does. But in the future, Harry, don't do it again.

The indoor soccer team dropped two games to the Lower Paxton men's team this past Friday. Lower Paxton is the best team in the league by far, and we only lost 5-3 and 3-1, even with John Reutter's musical watch on our side.

By the way, Bob Heitzman did break his foot in that game two weeks ago.

Goals this week were by Rick Brinser, Bill Bertolet, and Mike Cassheshian. I am still amazed by the way Bill baffled the opposing goalie with a blistering 5 m.p.h. shot. (maybe you can teach me that one, Bill!)

Sorry, Randy, I totally forgot about I.M. football where the Kamikazes beat the Night Riders 14-8. An interception

by Lorin Wolfe (Hog) set up the first of two touchdowns by Al Novak.

The basketball team dropped three heartbreakers: Misericordia 75-70, Shenandoah 74-51, and Alvernia 67-57. These scores do not tell the story, though. Capitol was ahead of Misericordia and Alvernia at halftime, and ahead of Shenandoah with 15 minutes left.

It seems the team is losing aggressiveness as the game goes on. This could be due to key players getting into foul trouble late in the game and then having to use a little less pressure in their playing styles.

Jack Wilson has been coming into his own, though. Jack is now fourth in rebounding in the district with 11.6 per game, and fourth in overall scoring with an average of 21.6 points per game scored.

Ron Kuzo is eighth in field goal percentage with 83%.

Ha, you guys didn't know this campus had a couple of district stars, did you?

Well, I'll sign off this week with a good luck wish to all the I.M. Basketball teams, and a big thanks to Jack Mcentee who promised to give me the I.M. stats weekly. (See, somebody's willing to assist me!)

Oops! Almost forgot to thank Bud Smitley for the Varsity stats. Thanks, Bud!

### PARKING NOTICE

As of 12:01 a.m., Monday, Jan. 19, 1981, all motor vehicles parking on Capitol Campus are required to display a current Winter 1981 Parking Permit Bumper Sticker. Members of the Police Services Department will be checking cars parked in driveways in Meade Heights starting on Jan. 19. Cars not displaying current parking stickers will be issued a Traffic Violation Notice. The penalty for not having a current parking sticker is \$15.

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### Fundamental Problem

## Sports Is Losing

*Campus Digest News Service*

Several colleges are eliminating some varsity sports because of growing deficits. Inflation and the cost of compliance with sex bias laws are cited as the reasons for the action.

At the University of Maryland's Eastern Shore campus, men's football, tennis and swimming have been dropped. Other institutions have taken similar action in recent months.

The University of California at Berkeley dropped men's wrestling, volleyball and golf. Yale University dropped men's volleyball, gymnastics, water polo and women's volleyball.

The University of Colorado dropped men's baseball, swimming, wrestling and gymnastics and women's swimming and gymnastics.

Colorado State University canceled men's swimming and gymnastics and women's gymnastics.

Many college officials blame inflation and the cost of complying with federal laws barring sex discrimination as the main reasons for their cuts in athletic programs.

Football and basketball are generally protected from the athletic cuts because these sports generate income through gate receipts and broadcasting rights. That leaves the less profitable sports vulnerable to the cutbacks.

Athletic directors cite travel expenses for recruiting and scholarships as necessary expenses for being competitive. These expenses force athletic departments to make cuts in other parts of their programs.

Observers say in the future the trend may be that colleges will specialize in certain sports rather than trying to be competitive in many sports. Colleges will specialize in sports in which they have traditionally have been successful.

The high cost of team travel moved the University of Pennsylvania to eliminate men's ice hockey and the University of California at Berkeley to eliminate men's volleyball. Both teams had high travel costs because few of their competitors were nearby.

Long-distance trips also mean a greater amount of lost classroom time by the team members. Climate is also affecting colleges' decisions on which sports are eliminated. For

example, the University of Colorado canceled its baseball program because of cold, rainy springs in their part of the country often cut baseball season short.

A lack of gym space helped Berkeley and U.C.L.A. to cut their wrestling programs. With the budgetary pressures that colleges now face, the construction of new athletic facilities is no longer a top priority for campus officials.

At some colleges, certain sports have been eliminated so that other sports could be introduced or reinstated. For example, Maryland-Eastern Shore dropped football so that they could bring back their varsity baseball program. The University of Oregon canceled women's field hockey so that the school could offer women's soccer for the first time.

Athletic officials say that when deciding on which sports to drop they consider how many students will be affected if the sport is canceled.

College officials hope the loss of varsity status for some sports will be overcome by competition on the club level. Students on club teams are responsible for running their own practices, scheduling games and finding their own funding.

One problem with club sports is that members usually pay a membership fee. Clubs could become the domain of the financially elite. Another problem with clubs is that they depend on strong leadership. Enthusiastic leadership is necessary or the club might die.

Colleges are eliminating many of the same sports which creates problems for athletes looking for colleges offering these sports. Baseball, wrestling, swimming, tennis, gymnastics, golf and volleyball are the sports that are most often cut.

Ideas for helping colleges fight budget deficits through means other than eliminating sports include adding a surcharge to football tickets and soliciting financial contributions from graduates who participated in non-revenue sports when they were in school.

It has been suggested that a team's games should be limited to those that can be scheduled with other institutions in the same region. This would save on the travel expenses.

### Sports survey shows increases

*Campus Digest News Service*

Despite reports that athletic programs are being cut back, the number of sports sponsored by colleges and universities is actually increasing, according to a study by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

A survey done by the association shows that of 693 institutions, 238 men's sports had been dropped but 369 sports had been added since the academic year of 1978-79. Over the same period, the study found that 285 women's programs had been dropped and 664 added. A total of 316 colleges reported no change in the number of their programs for men, and 189 said there had been no change in the number of women's programs.

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