

## Basketball ends season: Slusser, Worman break records

"This year's basketball team is one of the strongest that Highacres has ever had," says Coach Tom Caccese. The team's overall record is 8-8, while their Eastern Division League record is 6-4.

This year's starting team consists of forwards Greg Slusser and Rick Worman, center Bob Gabriel, and guards Greg Kratzer and Jerry Cann. Others on the team include centers Joe Kovatch and Eric Little, forwards Lew Astorino and Mark Reidinger, and guard Paul Dubendorf. According to Coach Caccese, the substitutes are a big part of the team. "It makes our starting team look better, because we have a bench which is just as good."

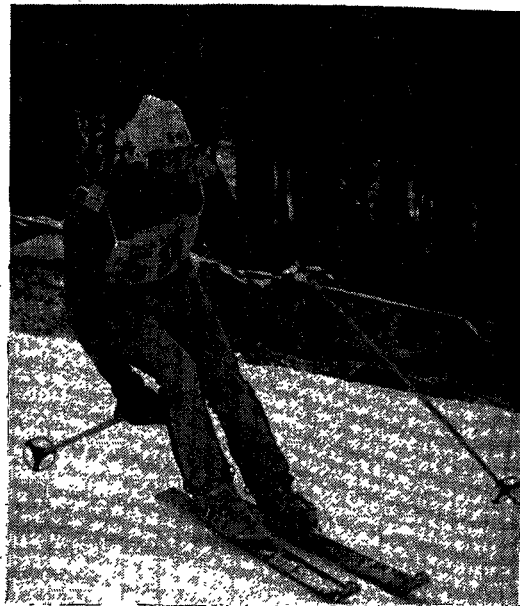
Part of the reason for the team's credible record is their mental attitude. "The guys hustle 100 per cent of the time. We've been hanging right in every game until the final buzzer," says Caccese. He also points out that the Highacres cagers are outrebounding every team they play. Most of the rebounding strength comes from Worman and Gabriel, while Cann and Kratzer have played excellent defense at their position.

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Scoring is an essential part of the game, and two Highacres players seemed bent on breaking a few records this season. Rick Worman has broken the Highacres career scoring record of 524 points, which was set by Jim Chapman (1971-1973). Greg Slusser has broken Highacres' single season scoring record of 346 points, set by John Skwierz (1973-74).

A contributing factor to the team's league losses may be that the courts at other schools are larger than what they are used to. While the court that they practice and play on is small, the courts at Ogontz, Schuylkill and York are somewhat larger, which hampers defense efforts. That problem should be solved when the new gym is completed next year, permitting the player to play on a larger court.

As for crowd attendance, Caccese is very pleased with the turnout of 250-300 people per game, which is more than most schools have. He says that their presence contributes to the excellent play of the team. Also, the athletic program should get a big boost after the new gym is completed. The projected attendance for basketball games at the gym is 1000 people per game.



Tim Mueller races down Jack Frost's slopes to finish 21st in a field of 75 for the Alpine Pub Cup.

### Race coming up

In an effort to stimulate interest in a regional college racing program, the Ski Club is planning a race at Jack Frost Mountain on February 28.

The planned race will be a slalom for a limited number of competitors from different schools. No more than three racers may enter from any one school. Trophies will be awarded to the top three racers in men's and women's divisions. A team cup will also be awarded for the best combined team time from one school.

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