

# Sportalk



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Contrary to the reversal of the Women's Volleyball team from a traditionally mediocre team to a successful team in 1977 such was the opposite of the Golf Team, under the direction of Mr. George Bobby, traditionally one of the more successful squads in the Commonwealth Campus Athletic Conference, this year's squad suffered from lack of participation. Initial interest was shown by 28, but that number wore down to 6 for the first match and below the required 5 for the remainder, thus counting as forfeits. This problem arose due to schedule conflicts many of the 28 suffered. The result was only one victory, one loss and a host of forfeits. This fact is very disappointing, but priorities are at stake here, and academics came out on top over extracurricular activities, and that's very promising. The dedication by students at Highacres to academics over activities shows endeavor. For those of you of the 28, do not feel guilty! Intramural activity, as all other activities of the Fall Term and as the term itself, are winding down to a close. In Men's Basketball, the Merry Fairies squad was crowned the champion.

In Three-man Bowling, the activity is not complete at this writing, but the teams participating are: Pin Busters, Jim's, Willard Donner, P.I.F., The preceding squads compete in League A, which meets on Tuesday night, and the following are from League B, which meet Thursday night: Bob Hahn, Three's Company, Alley Cats, Mittlemen, Project Learn, and Infinity.

In Five-man Bowling, the following squads competed: Blue Jays, Odd Balls, Swamp, Pin Killers, Magicians, and Palace Guards.

Flag football was among the intramural activities also, listing the following teams: Minutemen, Blue Jays, Apostles, Merry Fairies, NIAAA and Staff. The NIAAA was the reigning Champions this year.

A variety of tennis intramurals was staged also, including the following:

Mixed Doubles, Doubles, Women's Singles, Men's Singles "A", and Men's Singles "B".

You may find this information incomplete in relation to specific activity, and that was due to the inability of this reporter to keep up with it all. This drawback was due to a lack of communication. If in the future you, whether participating in an intramural sport during the Winter Term, or you were in the fall and would like to see more information in The Collegian, consider becoming an intramural correspondent to The Collegian. The activity is just too much for one man to keep up with and get a line of communication on.

A new club is forming on campus that has an interesting activity, and deserves attention. Highacres Video Engineering (H.A.V.E.) will utilize the videotaping equipment possessed by Instructional Services (which amounts to more than any other Penn State branch campus outside of University Park) and videotape events on campus, such as plays or sporting events (basketball, in particular) and run them over the facilities of Mountain City Cable Company Channel 12. Personnel, particularly technicians such as cameramen, are needed. This is an interesting field that may interest you; if it does, you can join by seeing Mr. Methot in the Library, Mr. Caccese, or Barry Jais.

## Fusina Throwing Less

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last week for 192 yards and two touchdowns while playing only 36 minutes against Miami, which came into the game with the nation's top-ranked pass defense.

The balanced offense was evident as Fusina and backup quarterback Tony Capozzoli combined for 232 yards passing and the Lions added 229 yards on the ground.

"I thought that game was going to be a real dogfight, but I felt we could throw against Miami if we could run the ball," the Lion quarterback says. "The offensive line did a great job and the receivers ran good routes."

One of those routes was a sideline streak by split end Scott Fitzkee, who was all alone to receive a Fusina pass on a 72-yard touchdown play, the longest scoring pass of Fusina's career at Penn State.

"It was a triple streak with (flanker

Jimmy) Cetalo and Fitzkee down the sidelines and (tight end Mickey) Shuler down the middle," Fusina recalls. "We caught them in a two-deep and I saw the safety move over toward Shuler. I just threw it and hoped I hadn't overthrown him. I was relieved when I saw Scott catch the ball."

That play, which came with 8:24 to play in the third quarter and gave the Lions a 42-0 lead, was Fusina's last appearance of the afternoon.

"The statistics may not show it, but I feel like I'm playing better now than when we were passing so much earlier in the season," he says. "I'm more comfortable now. We have a good balanced offense and that makes me feel good."

It has had the opposite effect on Penn State's opposition.

## Football Notes

Penn State has set records for total and average per game attendance at Beaver Stadium this year. The Nittany Lions have drawn 372,805 fans for six games, an average of 62,134 per game. The previous records of 367,788 total and 61,298 per game were set last year in six contests. Penn State's Nov. 12 game against Temple also is a sellout and will add to the records.

Penn State has extended its own National Collegiate Athletic Association record for most consecutive seasons without a losing record. The Nittany Lions are assured of their 39th straight non-losing season. Penn State last lost more games than it won in 1938, when the record was 3-4-1.

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