

Sports Happenings

Women's Volleyball Roundup

by Scott Hamm

Head Coach Mrs. Deidre Jago's volleyball team finished its season boasting of a 9-8 overall record. Coach Jago stated that she was very proud of her team's effort and was pleased with their winning record. The 1980 team consisted of the following sophomores: Lynn Houck (captain), Dee Margerum, Debbie Williams, June Sydlosky, Ruby Qurashi, Cheryl Hartley, and the team's only two returning letter winners, Carol Onuschak and Ruth McMullen.

Some excellent play came from team captain Lynn Houck. Coach Jago commented that Houck was the team's overall leader in scoring, gaining most of her points by her serving and setting abilities. Lynn also showed her leadership on and off the court.

Coach Jago stated that the girls played well together despite the limited amount of practice time before playing their first game. She felt that the girls were not quite ready for league play and hopes that next year there will be more practice time before competition starts. Coach Jago is confident on the upcoming 1981 season despite the fact that all the team's members are sophomores and will not be returning. She stated that next year will be a total rebuilding year.

The team did not advance to the C.C.A.C. Tournament. The York, P.S.U., and Ogontz, P.S.U., did advance to the tournament. However, the Highacres team was the only one to set back the Ogontz team. The best single effort by the girls this year had to be the match against Northampton C.C. The girls went into the game as underdogs, but they upset the Northampton team by match scores of: 13-15, 15-4, 9-15, 15-13, and 15-11. Coach Jago was not hampered with injuries and is looking for another successful season next year.

Volleyball tryouts scheduled

Last year's volleyball team finished with a record of 11-3, even though many of the players had never played competitively before. Tryouts for this year's squad will be held January 6 and 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Gym. Mr. Young, the coach of the team, encourages anyone who feels that they would like to play to tryout. He said, "Everyone has a chance."

The team will begin its season around the third week of February, and will finish in mid April. The exact schedule will be announced later.

Highacres cheerleaders 1980-81



The 1980-81 Condors cheerleading squad includes (foreground) Judd Buskirk, mascot; (kneeling) John Zitkus, Tina Markosky (captain), Bette Jo Paulk (assistant captain) Marian Buchinski, Shelly Donegan, Melanie Garrett, Jim Polinchok; (standing) Liz Hartman, Dianne McKenzie, Missy Miller, Mary Beth Powell, Lisa Pecora, and Robin Stauffer.

Winter intramurals slated

by Tim Brown

The Winter Term Intramural Program recently began, under the energetic guidance of Mr. Young. As he sees it, the aim of the program, "... Is to encourage extracurricular activities which will allow students to get some exercise while having fun."

Along with Volleyball, Basketball, and Bowling leagues, the program this term will include a foul-shooting contest and a "Superstars" competition. Fifty-five people, grouped into seven teams, will participate in the Volleyball league which will be finished before Christmas break. Beginning January 6, six teams will compete for bragging rights in Basketball. Every Tuesday and Wednesday eight three-man

teams will battle for honors in Bowling. The foul-shooting contest will be held January 6, and should take no more than an hour. The "Superstars" competition will take place January 12 and 13. Any interested students are encouraged to join the eight people who have already registered.

Fall term winners of the Volleyball league called themselves the "Gashouse Gorillas," they are: Mike Flores, Phil Gentile, Matt Koch, Shari Dietrich, Amanda Amshell, John Demagone, Tony Curto, and Liz Hartman. The Basketball League first place team was called "The Matarese," the team members included: Pat Dougherty, Pete O'Donnell, Ron Cann, Chuck Am-

mon, Ken Tomalavage, Mark Kolbush, Len Koh, Jim Hudock and Jim Concannon. The "Dynamos II" team of Bob Owens, Glenn Noggle, and Bob Sosar captured first place in the Bowling League.

A slight fee of seventy-five cents per person partially covers the expense of the awards which are given to first place finishers. There is also a three dollar lane use fee for bowlers.

Mr. Young encourages any student interested in some exercise and fun to participate

Soccer summary 1980

by Alex Prodes

The co-captains for the team were sophomores Ernie Valente and Bob Berger. And the rest of the sophomore lettermen, whose talents are sure to be missed, are Craig Coulton, David Otterbine, John Harsford, and Richie Katzenbach. Also, a special salute is given to sophomore Pat Kinney who made a tremendous comeback after an early season injury.

The leading scorer of this year's team was standout freshman Alex Prodes, who will return to the Condors' 1981 lineup next fall along with power-packed freshmen Chris Herr, Jeff Carpenetti, Chris Kokinda, Mike Brouse, and John Maholick.

Other members of this year's squad are as follows: Kevin Walters, Troy Marsh, George Rodriguez, Larry Pentoney, Bob Mueller, Don Heloerman, and Kim Sweda. Also, a special thank you was given to manager Mike Mensel and the team's trainer, Jean McTigue.

With a good percentage of the team back for the '81 season, Penn State-Hazleton will surely be a top contender for the Commonwealth (C.C.A.C.) championship next year. Also, the team expects more competitors to enroll in the sport for the upcoming year. One last note, the team is also anxious to learn of its new head coach so it can begin planning the attack for a winning season. With all the positive power behind them, the 1981 P.S.H. soccer team is a sure bet to "kick" its way to its goal, a championship.

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