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Softball team splits games with Eagles

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The softball team rolled to its fifth consecutive win in the first game of a double-header at Lock Haven (8-4) yesterday, but had its winning streak broken in the second game.

Betty Jo Maulle pitched her second complete game of the year in leading the Lady Lions to an 8-2 victory in the first game. Rhonda Burg completed her third full game in the second half of the twinbill which the Lady Lions dropped 5-3.

Maulle (3-2) gave up only six hits, one walk, and struck out one batter in the winning effort. Burg (2-3) allowed seven hits, two walks and struck out two batters.

In what is beginning to be a trend for the Lady Lions (16-8), they once again played in less than ideal weather conditions. A muddy outfield was combined with a cold, windy, snowy day to test the team.

But the cold weather didn't cool off Penn State's bats — at least in the first game.

Right fielder Cheryl Kent (.321) had a triple which drove in two runs before yesterday's game, was two for four and had two stolen bases.

Captain Mary Ann Cremo said the Lady Lions were batting extremely well in the first game.

"We were really slamming the ball," Cremo said. "Everybody was hitting right away. We really jumped on the ball."

But as the weather got colder in the second game, so did the Lady Lions' bats. Penn State was held to only four hits by Lady Bald Eagle pitcher Ginny Neiss.

"However, one of those hits was a home run by Captain Michelle Turk who was hitting .381 before

Lady laxers record 32-4 win

Penn State breaks 7 scoring marks in rout over LHSC

By CHRIS LINDSLEY
Collegian Sports Writer

For the women's lacrosse team, yesterday's 32-4 victory over visiting Lock Haven was one for the record books.

The Lady Lions broke three team and four personal scoring marks as they overwhelmed inferior Lady Bald Eagle squad. Lock Haven's offense could muster only 13 shots on goal compared to 56 for No. 1-ranked Penn State, which improved its record to 7-1 on the year.

Marsha Florio (8), Betsy Williams (7), Laurie Gray (7), and Beth Thompson (5) all came through with career scoring efforts, and along with Laurie Hoke (5), they combined to break the old single game goal record of 31 by scoring for the 32nd time with 1:19 left in the contest.

The team also set a new assist mark with 19, as Florio and Gray contributed five assists each, and Thompson and Williams added four and three, respectively.

One other record was broken, as team points in a single game was upped from 44 to 51.

From the opening draw the game's outcome was never in doubt. The Lady Lions rolled to a 17-2 halftime advantage on the strength of five goals by Gray.

The second half was almost an image of the first, as Penn State put home 15 of the 17 goals scored in the final 25 minutes of action.

Offensively, the Lady Lions could do no wrong all afternoon. Head Coach Gillian Ratray said her squad moved the ball around well to find the open person.

"We got off to a slow start offensively (first Penn State goal at 7:20), but then we began to show a good passing attack that was helped by our aggressive cutting (towards the goal)," Ratray said. "Our movement on offense makes it much easier to score, and a performance like this world to build up confidence within the offensive unit."

To score so often against anyone is a real tribute to any offense, but the Lady Lions also had to combat a very cold wind which was led by American shortstop Julie Reidenauer.

"They hit a lot of home runs last year and they have one girl (Reidenauer) that is an incredible hitter," Seavers said.



Penn State's Laurie Hoke (11) tries to get away from an attacking Lock Haven player in a game yesterday on Lady Lion Field. The women's lacrosse team crushed the Lady Bald Eagles 32-4.

NHL quarterfinals get under way

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

The Chicago Black Hawks and Edmonton Oilers are in enviable positions. The Boston Bruins and New York Islanders would like to think they are too.

The Hawks and Oilers can clinch their National Hockey League quarterfinal playoff series tonight at home. The Bruins and Islanders hope to take charge of their best-of-seven series at home.

Chicago moved into position to clinch the Norris Division finals with a comeback 4-3 overtime victory in Minnesota Monday night. Rich Preston's goal at 10:24 of the extra session climaxed the Hawks' rally from a 3-0 deficit.

Edmonton won the first three games of its Smythe Division series with Calgary before the Flames took a 6-5 decision in Game 4. But the Oilers have won all four of their post-season home games this spring and beat Calgary 6-3 and 5-1 at the Northlands Coliseum, where they meet today.

Boston evened its Adams Division matchup with Buffalo by blasting the Sabres 6-2. The Bruins can't feel all that comfortable at home, however, since the Sabres won the opener of the series there.

And the three-time Stanley Cup champion Islanders must turn things around after dropping the finals on the Rangers' ice. The Isles won the first two games at home but momentum seems to favor the Rangers.

North Stars center Bobby Smith said the Hawks took charge in the fourth game and Minnesota's players have to avoid letting it happen again.

"Chicago just got on a roll and we couldn't stop them," he said. "We're going to have to play our best game of the year tonight. The crowd will be roaring and they'll have the momentum. We're just going to have to take it away. If we can kill their momentum in the first period, it'll be a boost."

"Now we're going back to our building. We know our friends will be behind us and we're up 3-1," said Hawks center Denis Savard.

The Oilers feel the same way.

"We've played very well at home in the play-



Islander Bob Nystrom (23) checks Ranger Robbie Florek (8) against the boards in a game Monday night at Madison Square Garden. NHL quarterfinal action resumes tonight with Edmonton and Chicago hoping to clinch their series tonight, and the Islanders and Boston looking to take charge.

sports briefs

Baseball team double-header canceled

The baseball team's double-header against Buffalo State scheduled for yesterday at Beaver Field was canceled.

The Lions will travel to West Chester to take on the Rams at 3 today for a single game. Penn State Head Coach Shorty Stoner said there is a possibility of a double-header being scheduled today, since West Chester's two games were also canceled yesterday.

Cold, snow halt major league play

Rain, sleet, snow and generally cold weather in the eastern half of the continent yesterday continued to disrupt sports schedules with the world champion St. Louis Cardinals again among the victims.

The Cardinals' game in Montreal against the Expos was postponed by snow, marking the sixth time St. Louis has lost a game to bad weather in the two-week-old baseball season. They have managed to play only seven and a forecast for more snow overnight and tomorrow's contests in Montreal is jeopardized.

The American League game in Detroit, where nine inches of snow fell during the weekend, was called off because of cold weather and generally poor playing conditions and the game in Philadelphia between the Phillies and Cubs was postponed by cold weather.

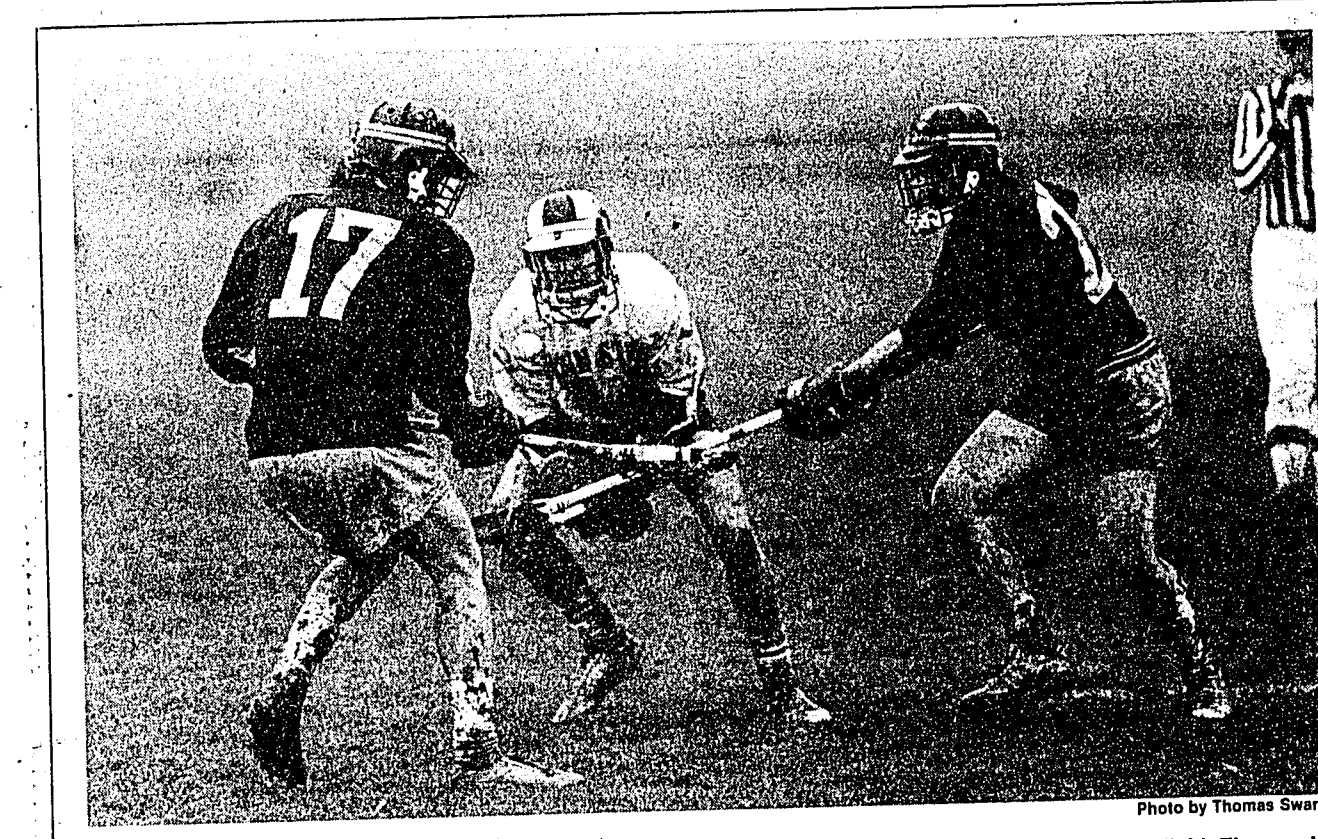
Turner feels taken to the cleaners

HOT SPRINGS, Va. (AP) — Ted Turner said Monday night he has sent telegrams to his fellow major league baseball club owners complaining he does not feel the contracts signed with NBC and ABC were fair and he wants to do something about it.

"I'm upset," the owner of the Atlanta Braves and Turner Broadcasting Co. told a meeting of the Virginia Cable Television Association at The Homestead. "We've been taken to the cleaners."

ABC and NBC have come to terms on six-year contracts with major league baseball, beginning in 1984, in which each of the networks reportedly will pay \$500 million to share national television rights.

The subject came up when Turner threw away his prepared text and instead fielded questions.



Penn State's John Schmitt battles for the ball against two Hofstra defenders last weekend at Jeffrey Field. The men's lacrosse team takes on No. 6 Army at 4 today in West Point, N.Y.

Laxers take on Army

By DAVE ENGLE
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The men's lacrosse team's season resembles a broken record. The Lions have played team after national-ranked team and each time they've come up short.

First there was University Maryland at Baltimore County (11-10), then Towson State (16-12), and finally Saturday, Rutgers (10-6). In all three of these games, Penn State has played well and has done everything — but win.

Against the Scarlet Knights, the Lions were down by two goals in the game and were forced to play a double-teaming, aggressive defense. This allowed Rutgers to throw in two easy goals in the last 30 seconds to set the final.

Bill Schoonmaker, a sophomore midfielder from Greenwich, Conn., compared the Rutgers' loss to those at UMBG and Towson.

"They've all been basically close games," he said, "but we can't seem to capitalize on the other teams' mistakes."

Penn State Head Coach Glenn Thiel is perplexed by the whole situation.

"Something is keeping us from winning, but I don't know what," he said.

Marathon's future up in the air

By BERT ROSENTHAL
AP Sports Writer

BOSTON — The 87th Boston Marathon was historic, but what does history have in store for the future of the 26-mile, 385-yard race?

A great cloud has been thrown over the traditional Patriots Day event because of the marathon boom in recent years.

"I want with all my heart to see it — the Boston race — continue," 71-year-old Bill Cloney, the director of the race from 1946 until his retirement last June, said after Monday's race.

"But I want people to understand that in 1983, 1984 and 1985, marathoning is a different sport from 15 years ago. The marathon now is the glamour event of the Summer Olympics."

If that is true, perhaps that explains the proliferation of marathons throughout the world in recent years. And to attract the best runners, many of the new marathons are offering exorbitant prize money — a \$1 million marathon at Las Vegas, Nev., reportedly is in the planning stages, and a lucrative marathon is planned for Sydney, Australia in June.

Boston, however, has remained traditional.

It has stuck with its traditional Monday Patriots Day date. By so doing, rather than switching to Sunday, it has discouraged network television stations from bidding for its national TV rights.

And it has refused to pay prize money, even under liberal guidelines set up by the International Amateur Athletic Federation, the world governing body for track and field. Instead, the Boston Marathon organizers have tried to retain the race's amateurism, traditional since it began in 1897.

Without television — and the accompanying sponsor revenue — plus the refusal to offer prize money to the leading finishers, some observers think the event might deteriorate into a "good local race" rather than remain the world-class marathon it has been for many years.

It was far from a "good local race" Monday, even though the men's and women's winners each live in Massachusetts.

Greg Meyer, a native of Grand Rapids, Mich., now living in Wellesley, won the race in 2 hours, 29 minutes, the 10th-fastest clocking in history.

And Joan Benoit, who was born in Portland, Maine, and now lives in Watertown, ran the fastest woman's marathon in history — 2:22:42.

Next year, with the U.S. Olympic Marathon Trials scheduled for May, the Boston entry field will suffer in quality, as it does every four years.

That will make 1984 a very important year for the race.

Will it be able to attract the world's top runners again by continuing its traditional policies? Or will it be forced to restructure its thinking?

These decisions will have to be made by the new Board of Governors of the Boston Athletic Association, the organizer of the race. The three-man board took over 10 months ago, after Cloney's retirement.

"Our commitment was to help run the '88 race," said Tim Kilduff, a member of the board. "We haven't thought beyond that yet."

"First, we're all going to relax for a little while, then we'll look at 1984 objectively," continued Kilduff. "Maybe some of us won't continue."

Kilduff said that the BAA would hold its annual meeting in about a month, "at which point we'll re-



Three runners break from the starting line of the 87th Boston Marathon at Hopkins, Mass. At left is Allison Roe of New Zealand, John Thomas of Mass. is in the center, and top woman finisher Joan Benoit of Watertown, Mass. is on the right.

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