

Sports



Strikes & Spares

In Bonomo's Major League Hambos shut out the Sweet Valley Outfitters led by F. Adams who scattered pins for 236 (618) and J. Steele, who hit them for 214-218 (608). S. Bonomo contributed 564. The losing five had Gary Mazer's 218-211 (597) and Glen Mazer's 210-233 (590). Back Mountain Sporting Goods blanked Bermudas paced by R. Herron who walloped the pins for 212-276-203 (691). L. Coolbaugh rolled 552, R. Harned hit 543 and J. Shultz posted 540. B. Belcher's 517 was high series for the Bermudas. E. Harris' tumbled the pins for 528 to lead the Beach Combers to three points from G.H. Harris. The Harris men were led by A. Wendel's 571, T. Doughton's 551 and D. Purvin's 546 but they couldn't overcome their opponents handicap. K. Spencer walloped the pins for 227 (595) and K. Orkwis scattered them for 213 (563) to lead Charlies All Stars to three points from Brown's Oil. The oil men had J. Roan's 554.

Marilyn Neifert had a big night slamming the pins for 201-226 (590) for the Jean Shop. Helen Dickinson rolled 174 (471). Sally Johnson scattered pins for 189 (500) for the bakery team. L. Maciejczak tumbled pins for 184 (474) for Scavone Motors and Jean Mekeel hit pins for 175 for Hoof 'N Paw. Irene Katyl knocked down pins for 172 for the Humphrey team.

Fino's Pharmacy blanked Steele's Restaurant in the George Shupp League paced by F. Adams 532. K. Youngblood rolled 225 (524) and T. Shalata gave 520. J. Shultz hit the pins for 523 for Steele's. Gino's Shoe Store shut out SCID with C. Kazokas rolling 220 (546) and T. Doughton knocking down pins for 213 (546). R. Daubert gave 524. Harris Associates took three from Katyl TV headed by A. Wendel's 209-211-213 (633), Guido's 545 and B. Harris' 532.

In the Ladies Country League G.H. Harris took four points from Fashion Vending aided by Libby Cypfers 177-178-183 (538). Rose Radzinski rolled 179 (502) and Debbie Zurinski hit pins for 173 (474) to show the way for Grotto Pizza's three points from the Castlettes. Bonomo's Sports Center shut out Gordon Insurance with Kay Scavone's 469 high for both teams.

Humphrey's Apparel took all from Mahaffey Oil to move into a tie with Scavone Motors in the Imperialette League. Scavone Motors picked up three from Hoof 'N Paw while Jean Shop took four points from Lombardo's Bakery.



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Junior high cagers

Joyce Tinner of the Dallas Junior High School girls' basketball team prepares to score two points during inter-district competition last week at the Dallas Junior High School gym. Awaiting a possible rebound are teammates Renee Balberchak (12) and Sue Starolis (11). The younger lady Mountaineers were defeated by Plains in the contest.

Baseball group will register

Back Mountain Baseball Inc. will conduct its final registration of players on Saturday, March 9 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Shavertown United Methodist Church.

Children are eligible to register for Little League hardball, ages 7-12; girls softball, ages 9-15; and teener league, ages 13-15. Any 13 year old not making the teener league team will play on the 13 year old team. First time players must present birth certificates, and all players must be accompanied by an adult.

Twelve year old Little League players and 15 year old girls softball players from the 1984 season may pick up their pins at this registration.

Managers, coaches, umpires and other volunteers are needed by the organization.



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Penn State bound

Dallas Senior Jill Radzinski, captain and outstanding player on this season's high school team received a full four year grant in aid to Pennsylvania State University. Jill signed her Letter of Intent last week.

Jill Radzinski — enroute to PSU

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
Staff Correspondent

Dallas senior Jill Radzinski signed a letter of intent to Pennsylvania State University last Thursday at her home, West Center Hill Road, Dallas.

Jill, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Radzinski, in signing the letter marked a first in Dallas High School athletics by being the first girl to receive a field hockey scholarship.

She was the only senior on this season's team and led the team to the second place runnerup spot in the Wyoming Valley Conference in 1984. The previous year, Jill was one of the key players in Dallas taking the District Championship. She also played in the Keystone State games in the summer of 1984.

Jill played hockey in junior and senior high school, and has been a member of the school's varsity basketball and softball teams. This year she played on the basketball team which took the Division 2 title in the Wyoming Valley Conference and defeated Honesdale, Wednesday, Feb. 27.

Among the schools who were interested in Jill attending their institutions were Syracuse University, Ball State, Northern Illinois, Southwestern Missouri, University of Toledo, Bloomsburg University, Brown, Yale, Lehigh University and Penn State University.

She narrowed her choices to Syracuse, Bloomsburg, Northern Illinois, and Penn State, but said she finally decided on Penn State because it is a Pennsylvania school, the campus is beautiful, it has excellent medical benefits for its athletes and the four year grant she was offered is an escalating grant.

"If the tuition goes up, the grant goes up," said Mrs. Radzinski. "With the cost of a college education today, that is important."

Jill visited the campus, stayed in the dorms and was pleased with the school and its courses. She is not certain of her major but is leaning towards sports psychology.

Rodgers on sports

Teach sportsmanship in the homes first

By JOHN RODGERS
Sports Correspondent

This writing has to do with what I consider a very important matter, and seems to be a very strong concern of the area right now. The matter is one of sportsmanship, especially on the younger levels. By the younger levels I mean seventh and eighth grade, junior high and younger.

The incident I would like to bring attention to first of all is one that occurred during a recent basketball game between Lake-Lehman and Wyoming Valley West Junior High teams.

In this incident first of all Lake-Lehman had the championship already won and seemingly the game, leading Wyoming Valley West by as many as 20 points. When all of a sudden, Valley West came back and eventually lost by only a basket 50-49.

It was during this push by Valley West, when the kids started yelling at the refs and even at each other. In my mind, this is deplorable conduct.

The surprise to me here was the reaction of the coaches, who seemingly did not even attempt to refrain their players.

The second incident took place at the end of the game. After the game, the players from Valley West approached (or tried to), the Lake-Lehman team to shake their hands in congratulations. What or why it happened, I don't know but hands were never shaken, because Lehman players were too occupied cutting down the nets, (a tradition of champions). The problem here is that shaking hands is an older and more appreciative tradition.

The question here is what to do? These seemingly unimportant happenings at the time, hold something in store for the future. There was even an incident, where at a local junior high basketball game, a parent threw a punch, which led to a potential riot.

Instead of good rivalries starting over close games, all the players seem to look forward to is retaliation.

Although championships are important and will be remembered, so will the actions of the players shown to each other.

There is no doubt these kids will face each other in years to come, and hopefully they will do so as athletes in the truest form.

The problem here is who is responsible for these actions? Whether it be the coaches, the parents, the referees, or the school, something should be done, before it starts to snowball.

Hopefully someone will step forward and take charge. Many people have already taken notice.

Children of this age are very influential, they all want to be a Larry Bird or Dr. J. They learn by example.

It's only my opinion, but individual sportsmanship should be taught at home, team sportsmanship is the responsibility of the coach, and their court behavior relies heavily on both the referee and coaches at this age.

Maybe it wouldn't be a bad idea if these people got together before the season or game and set some guidelines. After all, winning isn't everything — especially on these levels.



Baseball clinic set

Back Mountain Baseball Inc. will conduct its second annual coaches clinic for any adult manager, coach or volunteer affiliated with any District 16 Little League. Clinic will take place on Saturday, March 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Dallas Senior High School gym.

The program, co-ordinated by Rich Gorgone of Back Mt. Baseball, will include such topics as Base running, bunting, infield and outfield play, catcher development, pitching techniques and developing hitters.

Teeners meet

Back Mt. Baseball announces that its teener division will hold a meeting on Monday, March 11 at the Dallas American Legion beginning at 8 p.m.

All managers, coaches and interested volunteers are asked to attend.

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