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Dallas trackmen

Four senior lettermen in track will form the nucleus of this year's varsity track squad. Coach Bill Straitiff has confidence in (left to right) Bob Oliver, distance; Mike Farrell, 400 meter; and Eric Supey, sprints. Absent from photo is Matt Mihal, discus and javelin events.

Season opens April 9

Cindermen, women gear up for season

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
Staff Correspondent

Dallas Senior High School Varsity Track Coach William Straitiff is pleased with the turnout for the boy's and girl's track teams this season.

"We have 25 boys and 21 girls which gives us a lot of depth in most events. We are a young team but we have a few lettermen returning and a lot of potential in the other kids," said Straitiff.

The boys have four senior lettermen returning and five juniors. The rest of the boys are relatively inexperienced, but most of them have learned the basic in junior high and have been working hard since practice started.

Straitiff has two distance runners, Mark Wright and Bob Oliver, whom most track fans will remember from last year. Eric Supey is good on the hurdles and junior Ron Ostrowski is tagged for the 100, 200 and 400. Mark Farrell has clocked some good times in the 400 and Steve Brace, a District champ in junior high, is a good distance runner. Both boys are good potentials for the relay teams.

In the field events, Matt Liva will be throwing the disk and javelin while Mark Liva will be tossing the shot. Mark Wright is expected to better his height on the high jump this season and Tim Kern will do the pole vaulting.

Straitiff emphasized that a lot of the boys will mature as the season progresses and he expects some great talent before the end of the season. He and his assistants, Steve Kaschenbach and Mary Ann Walsh, were pleased with the squads performances in a scrimmage at Montrose last week.

Kaschenbach works with the jumping events and Walsh works with the throwing events while Straitiff coordinates all of the events.

"We have more depth with the girls this year than we have ever had," said Straitiff. "We have Amy Aston who is one of the best. No one should beat her unless Renee Robbins of Honesdale pulls an upset in Districts."

Linda King is back for the sprints and Susan Starolis is a good 400 runner. Renee Balberchak is a 100 and 200 meter runner and is strong. On the hurdles it will be Brenda Harvey, who will be backed up by Carla Orlando and Lori Ogurkis. Leigh Pawling is a great distance runner.

In the field events, there are Karen Wall, Barbara Davis, and Kristen Piakowski, all good at the shot, discus and javelin. Maureen Wisneski has shown potential at the 100 and 200 meters.

Like the boys, the girls are a young team but their dedication and willingness to work is encouraging to Straitiff, who can see success down the road for the future.

Both the boys and girls are in the AAA Division and will be competing against some experienced teams this season.

LAKE-LEHMAN

Over at Lake-Lehman Senior High, Track Coach Ed Narkiewicz has his work cut out for him.

With 20 boys and only seven girls out for track this season, it is definitely a re-building year. Narkiewicz has about 10 seniors and juniors, the others are sophomores. He has no freshmen on the varsity squad this year, they are competing in junior high.

There are several bright spots on the horizon. District champ Dave Janiczek is back. He runs the 800 and 1600 and finished fifth in the 800. Chris Van Gorder is back and he is always outstanding in whatever he does. Junior Dave Radomski gave a fine showing and he is out this year.

Coach Narkiewicz lost most of his runners and sprinters through graduation and he has to put together new relay teams.

"We lack depth and we have a lot of young and inexperienced boys. It is too soon to tell what they will do but as they run they will develop. Then I'll know where to place them," said Narkiewicz.

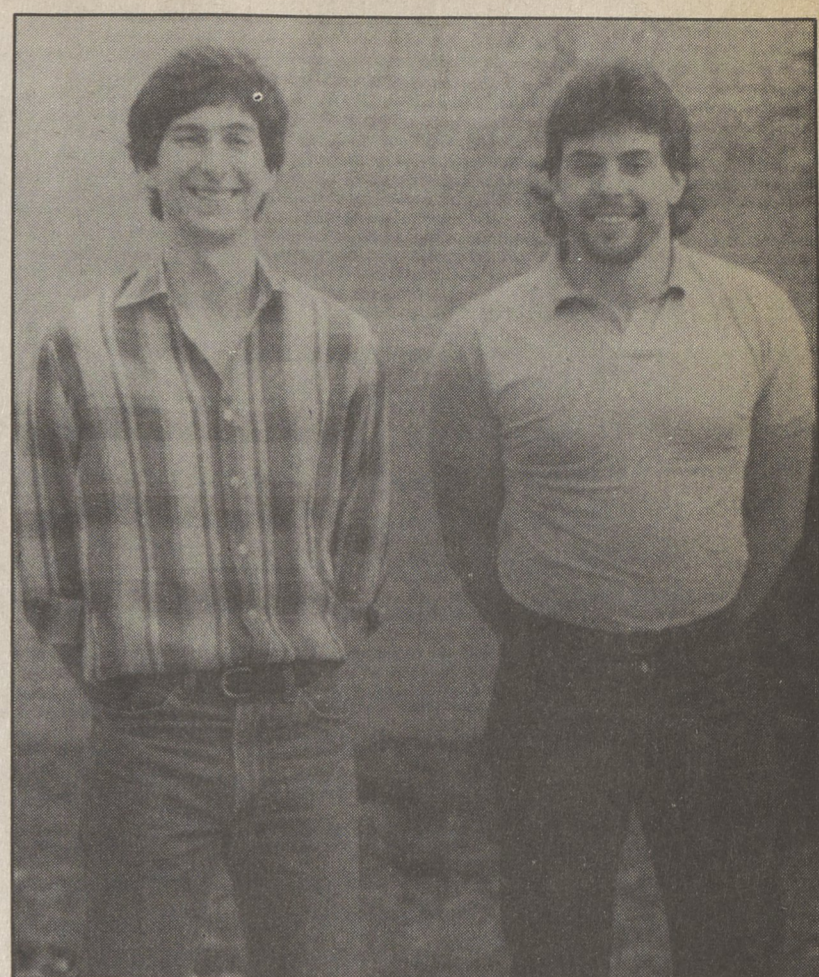
He has one sprinter in senior Dennis Morgan.

With only seven girls, it is impossible for the Lady Knights to win but they will run whatever events they can and will have to forfeit.

Karen Austin and Michelle Judge are back and will be able to run the 1600 and 3200.

In a scrimmage with Lakeland last week, the Knights showed some potential but a number of them were out of action due to illness so Narkiewicz has to wait. He is not discouraged, however, for the veteran coach knows too well that, like all sports, track runs a cycle. A year or two of re-building and the Knights will be back at the top.

In the meantime, the league season is scheduled to open April 9.



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Lake-Lehman trackmen

Lake-Lehman Knights cindermen will be paced by returning lettermen Dave Janiczek, distance runner; and Chris Van Gorder, last year's district runnerup in the javelin.

Morrison will play at College Misericordia

By JOHN RODGERS
Sports Correspondent

College Misericordia has announced that Steve Morrison a 6-7 center from Wyoming Valley West has signed a letter of intent to attend and play basketball for the Highlanders.

Morrison averaged 14 points and seven rebounds per game for Valley West, he also had 46 blocked shots and made over 60 percent of his shots from the floor.

Steve selected Miseri over about 20 other schools offering for his services. Some of the other schools in the bidding were highly rated Division II Bloomsburg and East Stroudsburg.

"Steve has just begun to reach his potential," stated Coach Clocker. "He is like an iceberg, what you see on top is only an indication of his ability still not seen."

With the loss of senior captain center Monte Deyo and forward Dan Smith, "Steve can hopefully move right in and help us fill an inside position."

Steve was a Times Leader and Sunday Independent All-Star, also a member of the East-West All Star Team. Another honor he gained was the Sportsman's Award in the Holiday Classic, where he scored 16 points against state runner-up Nanticoke in the Spartans victory. He really came on for us, stated

Spartan Coach Sandy McKay. "Steve has a great attitude, and I think Misericordia will be happy with what they have found." He is going to do nothing but improve. I am very happy for him. I think he has made a fine choice and he is going to become a success story. He will be missed here at Valley West. Steve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Morrison.

Gymnastics championships scheduled

The Wilkes-Barre YMCA will sponsor the Northeastern Pennsylvania Gymnastic Championships on April 14.

The Spinners of the YMCA will host the event with teams from Pittston, Honesdale, Carbondake, and Stroudsburg also competing. The meet will begin at 10 a.m. and continue all through the day. It will give anyone a chance that is interested in gymnastics to get a first hand view of competition.

Many girls from the Back Mountain area are in this event and they need support. We hope to see a great turnout so mark April 14, on your calendar.



By ED GDOSKI
Outdoors Writer

Game Commission should manage our wildlife resources.

The past several months I have been talking to sportsmen, private land owners, trappers, and conservation-interested groups in Luzerne County about the Game Commission Wildlife Management Program and its financial problem. Today, I will try to put it all together and inform you of their attacks on the Commission Management programs and behavior of all true sportsmen participating in the sport of hunting.

A lot of them are loud at meetings, and write against the wildlife management program in Pennsylvania, also asking "What's the Game Commission doing for me?" The first concern of the hunter is for himself - by hunting daily and coming home with the animal or bird of the season.



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If killing a bird or animal is the sportsman's meaning of the sport of hunting, he or she better select another sport, because they will be disappointed. Their second concern is to maintain an artificial high population of game on areas of poor habitat, and land closed to hunting.

To accomplish this, they want the Commission to increase their stocking program. Through the years of research, the stocking program is too expensive for end results in the hunters game bog.

Their third concern is to abolish the Pa. Game Commission, preferring instead to have game management manipulated politically instead of sound scientific programs. I often try explaining to the sportsmen that we are fortunate to have our Game Commission manage our wildlife resources, instead of having it managed by public emotions or by politics.

Talking to people, who claimed to be professionals in wildlife management because they hunted or trapped a few days of each year, also gave me suggestions how the

The first group, ones that killed a deer, bear or some small game thought it was doing an excellent job of wildlife management. The second group, persons not killing any game, suggested better ways of managing our wildlife resources.

The third group, private land owners, were inquisitive of the Game Commission program to alleviate crop damage. The fourth group, trappers, wanted knowledge of laws relating to stolen traps, and taking animals from their traps. The fifth group, non hunters, wanted to know whether the commission has a better method than hunting, to harvest surplus animals and birds.

It would be a miracle to try to satisfy all groups mentioned. I believe the Game Commission is doing a very good job in managing our programs for the hunter and citizens by providing open land, birds, animal, waterfowl and waters for recreation.

It leases over two million acres in Farm Game Projects, or one million in Safety Zone Program, near one million in Forest Game projects and owns over one million acres of game lands which it has to pay school and road taxes.

Commission programs are successful because last year the reported buck kill was 72,773. This is the second largest reported buck kill. The antlerless deer reported kill was 57,973; Archery buck kill 3507, doe kill 3,067; muzzle season, buck 220, doe 2670, making a total of 140,180 reported deer killed.

Also, we do not have the actual number killed by vehicles, farmers for crop damage and illegal deer shot by poachers.

(I will be writing a monthly column in this paper informing you of outdoor problems, questions, complaints, legislative changes and other subjects. Anyone who may have any questions, complaints, criticisms or even compliments may write to Ed Gdoski, Outdoors Column, c/o The Dallas Post, P.O. Box 366, Dallas, Pa. 18612.)

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Seasons listed

Season for April:
April 1 - Dog training season closes and opens Aug. 31. Most animals and birds are having their young during this time therefore you should keep your dogs tied or under control.

April 27 - 1) Opening day of Spring Gobbler Season, closes Mary 25.

2) Hunting begins 1/2 hour before sunrise to 11 a.m., hunter must be out of woods by 12 noon.

3) Types of firearms, shotguns manually operated, semi auto.

4) Shotgun, with fire shot not larger than BB shot; possessing single projectile ammo in field prohibited.

5) Bows and Compound Bows permitted.

6) Turkey must be tagged with spring tag attached to the leg of the turkey within one hour or before removing the carcass where the turkey was killed. Tag must remain attached to turkey leg until prepared for consumption.

7) Unlawful to possess a used turkey tag while in field.

8) Kill must be reported within five days after kill to Hbg.

April 27-May 25 - Woodchuck hunting hours, 12 noon to sunset.

April 14 - Closing of crow hunting until May 31.

Fluorescent has been the safest color to wear while hunting and it has reduced our hunting accidents.

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