

Sports

Rebels continue winning streak

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Coach Flossie Finn's Lady Rebels softball team ran their record to 12-1 last week to continue leading the league. The Rebels defeated Jeddo Stars 7-0, July 28, behind the power hitting of Sally Galka, Cindy Slocum, and pitcher Kim Eckley. Galka drove out a triple, Slocum and Eckley chalked up doubles to drive in runs.

Eckley struck out three and walked none in pitching the shutout. Losing hurler was Metz, who walked five but was unable to strike out any of the Rebels.

The following day, July 29, Eckley gave up only three hits as she led the Rebels to a 5-0 shutout over Parsons. She had excellent control on the mound issuing no bases on balls while striking out three.

The Rebels collected nine hits from losing hurler Debbie Wengryn with R. Rynoski and Slocum knocking out doubles.

The Rebels chalked up their third consecutive shutout, Aug. 1, by defeating Turri's 6-0 with Pitcher Judy Connelly picking up the win. She fanned four and walked only one and gave up only two hits.

Cindy Slocum hit a homerun and Cheryl Travis added a double to lead the Rebels in collecting 11 hits from losing hurler Tracey Walton, who issued four walks.

In a tournament at Wellsboro over the weekend, the Rebels went undefeated. Twelve teams participated in the double-elimination competition.

In their first game with the Pudgets of Wellsboro, the Rebels downed their opponents 8-4 behind winning hurler Debbie Wengryn, who gave up only three hits, struck out six and walked three. The Rebels hit losing pitcher Jenny H. for 12 hits paced by Kenely Hoats and Sally Galka who continued driving out doubles.

The Rebels shut out Canyon Motel of Wellsboro 12-0 in the second game with Judy Connelly on the mound. Diane Kinney hit a triple and a double in leading the team to 16 hits off losing hurler Marilyn Wheatley.

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The Rebels had some excellent hitting and base-running throughout the tournament.

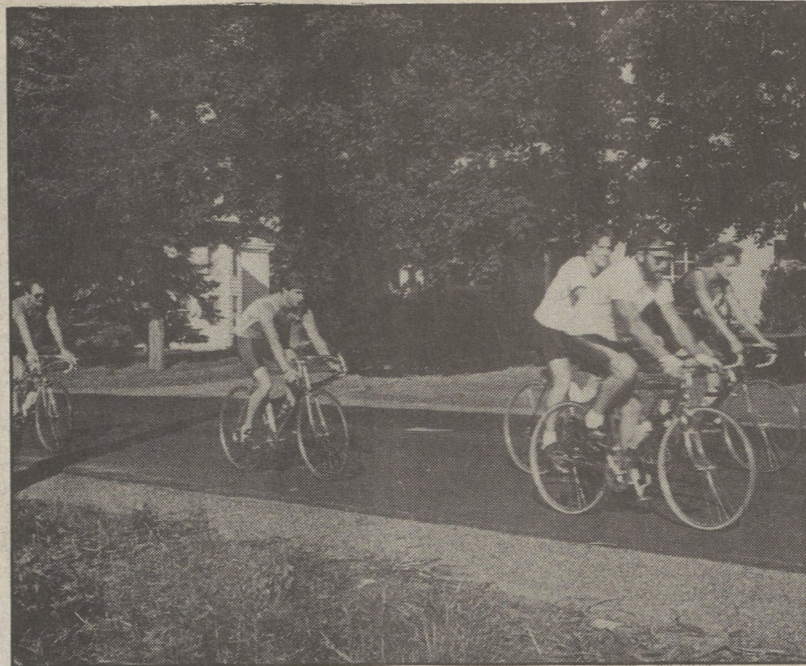
In the third game against Pepsi of Franklin from Erie County, the Rebels won 7-3. The Pepsi team are the state champs for modified pitch ball.

Each team had five hits but Sally Galka's home for the Rebels was a major factor in the team's win.

Pitcher Judy Connelly walked two and struck out one going all the way in the third game. Losing hurler Vanessa Risch fanned three and walked five.

In their fourth and final game of the competition, the Rebels defeated Pepsi 3-1 with Connelly again on the mound. The Rebels were outhit 7-3 by Pepsi but good base-running and taking advantage of walks and errors aided in their win.

The Lady Rebels will play in the state competition this weekend at Marcus Hook.



'Great 100' set

Climbing hills on a bicycle is a trial of natural ability, developed skills, and planned strategy. Test yourself in the "Great 100". Riders of all abilities are invited to join Wyoming Valley Bike Club members to ride in their annual road rally through the rolling hills of the scenic Back Mountain. Race date is set for Sunday, Aug. 18, at 8 a.m. from the Penn State campus in Lehman. Registration will begin at 6:30 a.m. o participants may preregister by mail. Application forms are now available at Sicklers Bike Shop, Wilkes-Barre; or from The Recyclery in Dallas. Riders may choose either of two courses: a 100 kilometer or 62 mile ride; or a 50 kilometer or 31 mile shorter course. Patches and certificates will be awarded to all participants, as well as trophies or medals in both male and female categories. Pictured above are cyclists from the Wyoming Valley Bike Club riding the "Great 100" bike route.

Back Mountain teeners drop to losers bracket

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Back Mountain American Teeners dropped to the losers bracket Sunday afternoon when they were downed, 6-1, by the Rural team at Hildale Park in the finals of the 34th annual Teeners League All Star Tournament.

The Back Mountain's defense was plagued by costly errors and their opponents took advantage of the locals mistakes to push runs across in the second and sixth innings.

The Back Mountain Teeners advanced to the finals by shutting out Mountaintop 5-0 behind hurler Scott Francis' four-hitter in the game played Thursday at the Dallas Junior High field.

The Rural nine's win Sunday allows them to sit back and wait for the winner of the Back Mountain American-Plymouth game scheduled for this past Tuesday at the Hildale field. Winner of that game will have to defeat Rural twice to win the title.

The Back Mountain Americans made more errors in Sunday's game than they had made in the

tournament to date and in the sixth inning a combination of errors and walks allowed the Rurals to score four runs.

Both teams got off to a poor start unable to score men on base. In the bottom of the first inning, shortstop Chad Holdren drove out a double and with nobody out stole third for Rural. Joe Morris went to first on a walk but in his attempt to let Holdren steal home, Morris was thrown out in a rundown between first and second and Holdren was thrown out at home plate in the Americans' best defensive play of the game.

In the bottom of the second inning, Rob Bowman hit a single and Holdren sent him to second on a bunt single to the infield. Jim Morris walked to load the bases. Bowman scored on a fielder's choice out on Bryan Weners grunder to the infield and Holdren scored on a Back Mountain error.

Neither team was able to score until the bottom of the sixth when walks and errors loaded the bases for Rural. Joe Morris hit a long double to drive in three runs and scored a fourth run when his brother tapped out an infield single.

Women

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Competition for three years with her best finish 15th. During her high school golf career her record was 18-2-4.

Beth attended East Stroudsburg State University and during her freshman and sophomore year made the boys golf team. She did not play during her junior and senior years since she had a double major and had too many classes.

Beth started playing when she was about five years of age. "I would get up about 6 a.m. with my grandmother and we would go out and play the back four holes. At night, we would practice putting and chipping. My grandfather, who was the pro at Irem Temple at the time, taught me how to play. My grandmother used to play at Irem when he was there," said Beth.

Beth won the Ladies Club Championship at Lehman when she was only 17 years of age. In 1980, she won the AGA Tournament and in 1981, she was runner up in the Luzerne County Open. Other years she worked during the summer.

In 1981, Beth played at Shadowbrook with Catherine McMahon and the two came in second. In June of this year, she played in the Better Ball Tournament at Lehman and she and her partner, Sandra Trochi, came in first with a 74 for the par 68 course.

Beth said her younger sister, Alice, is also an excellent golfer and

also predicts that her 13-year-old sister, Jennifer, will be one of the top golfers as she gets more experience. Jennifer has already won at Pocono Hershey and at Hollenback.

For the next three weeks when Beth is not behind the desk at the club, she will be playing or driving balls every day to get in shape for the Open.

Beth's grandfather, Sam Spencer, came to Irem as pro in the 1940's. In 1952 he bought the farm at Lehman and started that year to build the course. By July 1, 1953, he had the four holes completed and in September the nine hole course was finished.

As mentioned, Catherine Penxa was the first woman to become a member and took lessons from Sam. Sam's son, John, worked with his father from the time the course was open except in 1954 and 1955 when he served with the U.S. Army in England.

He was assistant pro until 1974 when his father retired and John took over management of the club. The membership now runs about 200 active members, specializing in husband and wife memberships. A lot of senior members play at Lehman because they enjoy walking the course.

John runs about two tournaments per month from May to October and on Aug. 24 and 25, the club championship tournament will be held for men and women.

FISHING

is FAMILY FUN!

Ralph W. Abele, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Fish Commission, has thrown out a challenge to sportsmen's clubs, youth groups and other organizations in the Commonwealth.

He is suggesting that they "Adopt-A-Stream" to not only enhance and improve fishing and boating opportunities, but the quality and aesthetic values of Keystone State waters.

Dave Wolf, of the Commission's Office of Information, will serve as a full-time coordinator of the program.

According to Wolf, any organized group may be approved as a "parent" of a particular stretch of stream or body of water. Warmwater, coolwater, or coldwater lakes, streams and ponds may be adopted even if they are not capable of supporting aquatic life at the time of adoption. All adopted waters, however, must be open to the public and must be adopted for a minimum of one year.

"Some of the activities involved in

the Adopt-A-Stream Program include litter control, poaching control, water quality monitoring, stocking and landowner relations," said Wolf.

Wolf said projects which entail physical changes and improvements to the water and or surrounding environment will be performed with the cooperation of the Fisheries Environmental Services Section.

"The Adopt-A-Stream Program can also entail purchasing, donating and leasing land and waters," Wolf said. "A sponsoring organization may donate property or arrange for donation of property to the Commission for access to a water area; it may acquire stream agreements of five years or more and donate such leases to the Commission, or donate or lease maintenance services for public use areas."

Any groups who are interested in accepting this challenge and becoming "parents" of a particular water area, should contact Dave Wolf, Adopt-A-Stream Coordinator, Office of Information, Pennsylvania Fish Commission, P.O. Box 1673, Harrisburg, PA 17105-1673.

A certificate recognizing the participating group as a "parent" will be presented when the adoption is approved. A certificate will also be presented annually in addition to special merit awards for groups completing a particularly outstanding project or program.

"The Pennsylvania Fish Commission has been working for more than 119 years to protect our waters, enhance their natural value and preserve them for future generations.

Physicals set

Mr. Robert Cicon, Assistant Athletic Director at the Dallas Junior High School, announces that football physicals for candidates for eighth and ninth grades and cross country physicals for candidates in seventh, eighth, and ninth grades will be given on Monday, Aug. 12, at 8:30 a.m. in the junior high nurse's office.

Physicals for junior high field hockey candidates in grades seven, eight and nine will be given on Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 8:30 a.m. in the junior high nurse's office. Make-up physicals will be given at this time also for football and cross country candidates who missed the first physical.

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