

SPORTS

Knight wrestlers flatten Tigers, Comets

The Lake-Lehman Black Knights moved their wrestling record to 9-1 overall last Friday night by defeating the Tunkhannock Tigers 48-5 and earlier in the week taking a 42-21 win from the Crestwood Comets on the Comets mats.

The Knights used three pins, a major decision, six decisions, a forfeit and a draw in routing the Tigers.

125-lb. Charlie Roper, 130-lb. Rich Peiffer and 145-lb. Mike Tereska picked up pins for the Knights. 112-lb. Jesse Sorber, 119-lb. Jason McDade, 135-lb. Charlie Jacoby, 160-lb. Terry Martin, 189-lb. Ray Rosencrans and Hwt. Gary Masters took close decisions from their opponents while 140-lb. Dave Konopke took a major 11-3 decision from Tiger Dan Chmiola. 152-lb. Jason Naugle and Tiger Matt Thatcher wrestled to a 1-1 draw and 171-lb. Mike Geurin won by forfeit.

The Comets took an early lead in the Wednesday night match with

the Knights when their 103-lb. Brian Rose took a pin in 5:27. 112-lb. Jake Smolenak took a major 11-1 decision. 119-lb. Mike Graham drew with Charlie Roper and 125-lb. Chris Teer took a pin in 3:58.

The Knights went on the board when 130-lb. Rich Peiffer took an 11-3 major decision and 135-lb. Charlie Jacoby decided his opponent 3-0.

After 140-lb. Chris Harmon gave Crestwood three points on his 4-1 decision over Konopke, the Knights swung into high gear and won the remaining six bouts with four pins, a decision and a forfeit.

Mike Tereska (145), Jason Naugle (152), Terry Martin (160) and Ray Rosencrans (189) picked up pins. Mike Geurin (171) won on a forfeit and Hwt. Gary Masters took a 4-3 decision from his opponent.

The Knights remain undefeated in league competition in the West Division.



SPECIAL OLYMPIC ADVISORS - Shown from left are James Blandina, Luzerne County Manager and Jerry Fonzo, Luzerne County Advisor and Area P Co-Manager.

Area special olympics launches winter program

James Blandina, Luzerne County Manager of Special Olympics, announced the launching of the Area P Special Olympics Winter Ski Program. Luzerne County is part of a region designated as Area P, which includes five additional counties-Lackawanna, Pike, Susquehanna, Wayne and Wyoming.

The winter program consists of practice in Alpine skiing offered through Elk Mountain, Tanglewood and Montage Ski Area. Day and evening programs are available to eligible participants.

Area P Managers, Jerry Fonzo and Frank Lavin, stress that Special Olympics is a program that provides instruction, training, and opportunities for competition to disabled athletes of all ages.

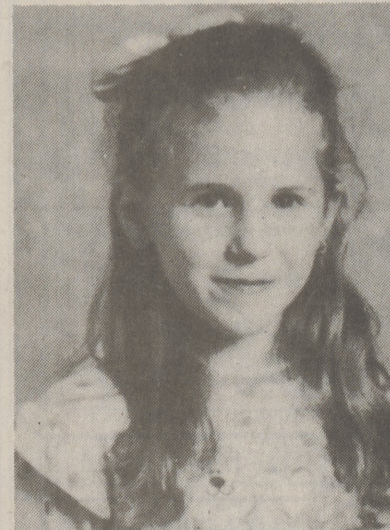
Competition is at local, regional, state, and international levels. Competitive events are based on ability to perform the sport, gender, and age level so competitors will be equally matched as possible.

Kirby Jo Richards takes first at Junior Olympics meet

Kirby Jo Richards, 7-year-old daughter of Hugh and Linda Richards, was the first place winner in the eight and under Junior Olympic figure skating division at the 1991 Mid-winter Invitational Rollerskating Competition at Shillington, Pa.

Kirby and 10 other students coached by Stephanie Vida of Nanticoke represented Dallas Rollaway Skating Club. The Invitational included competitors from Connecticut, Delaware, Ohio, Maryland, New York, New Jersey, Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Forty eight rollerskating clubs were competing in figure skating, dance and/or freestyle in the three-day event which was sanctioned by the United States Amateur Confederation of Roller Skating.



KIRBY JO RICHARDS

Dallas opens second half with 54-43 win

The Dallas Mountaineers started the second half in Division II with a 54-43 win over the Meyers Mohawks behind Damon Lisnow and an early first quarter lead. Lisnow scored six points in the first quarter to give Dallas a lead and the Mountaineers kept feeding him the ball as he continued to put points on the board in the second period to give Dallas a 10-point lead at halftime. The Mohawks were led by the hot shooting of Bob Hughes which kept them in the game.

In the third quarter the Mohawks came on strong with John Corbett and Phil Ostrowski leading the charge to cut the Mountaineers lead to 34-32 at the end of the third period.

The Mountaineers refused to give up and key shots by Todd Paczewski and Mark Medura clinched the game. Lisnow ended with 20 points for the Mounts, Medura put in 14 and Ray Russin hit for nine. Medura hit two three-pointers.

The Mountaineers play Northwest and GAR this week, Northwest scheduled for away Tuesday and then GAR at home Friday.

Sports roundup

Lady Knights demolish Hanover

Lake-Lehman's Lady Knights used 12 players in their balanced attack against Hanover to win 89-27 Monday night on the Knights floor.

Jennifer Smith set the pace for the home team as they outscored Hanover 24-7 in the first quarter and 18-5 in the second to take a 42-12 lead at halftime.

Smith scored 16 points for the Lady Knights tossing in eight goals through the nets from the playing field. Alyson Davis put seven goals through the nets for 14 points and Heidi Wenrich did the same. The Lady Knights went five-for-seven from the free throw stripe with Cherub Honeywell and C. Gabel going 2-for-2 from the foul line and B. Hozempa going 1-for-2.

Lake-Lehman plays Wyoming Seminary at home Thursday night.

Dallas girls edge Northwest

Dallas girls came from behind in the third period Monday night to edge Northwest 50-46 to win their first game in the second half.

The Lady Mounts, who scored only 24 points, in their opening game with Meyers, started off slow with the Rangers and were trailing 23-20 at the half. Tara Lisnow and Tina Hite combined for 14 points in the second period to bring the Lady Mounts within three points.

Lisnow and Wendy Cave with breakaways scoring pulled the Dallas girls into the lead to a 36-35 lead at the end of the third quarter and continued to score in the fourth.

Late in the fourth period Diane Demko made two free throws from the foul line to insure the Dallas win.

Lisnow hit for 20 points, seven goals from the field and 6-for-7 from the charity stripe and Cave tossed six through the nets and hit 2-for-4 from the charity line.

Dallas girls will play GAR on the Grenadiers floor Thursday night.

Lady Mounts beat Tech, lose to Meyers

The Dallas Lady Mountaineers opened the second half with a loss Friday as Meyers defeated them 39-24 on the Mohawks' court. The Lady Mounts took a first period 10-6 lead but fell behind in the second and were unable to catch up the rest of the way.

Kathy Welkey was high for Dallas with seven points and Tina Hite and Wendy Cave added six points each.

Becky Brominski and Tara Norton led the scoring for Meyers with 15 points and 12 points respectively.

Earlier the Lady Mountaineers defeated West Side Tech 79-46 in their final game of the first half.

Tara Lisnow tossed in 23 points for Dallas, putting eight scores through the nets from the field, one of them a three-pointer and going 6-for-10 from the foul line. Welkey put in 14 points and Wendy Cave added 19 points to the Mountaineers offense.

Tina Hite added 13 points, nine of them in the second half as the Lady Mounts outscored the Titans 43-27 after leading the opponents in the entire game.

The win gave the Mountaineers a first half record of 3-7.

Mount grapplers drop two

The young Mountaineers wrestlers were unable to overcome a strong Pittston Patriots team Saturday afternoon and bowed 47-19 as the Patriots picked up 18 points on three pins and three forfeits.

103 Tom Gale, 145 Bob Lombardo and 152 Dave Balchun won on pins for the Patriots and 119 John Lizak, 135 Dan Arascavage and Hwt. Shawn Walsh gave the Patriots six-point wins on forfeits.

Winning for the Mountaineers were 112 Harry Phillips on a 4-2 decision, 125 Bob Jesse on a 10-2 major decision, 140 Glen Ellsworth with a pin in 5:01 and 160 Jamie Walsh on a pin in 1:27.

Earlier in the week the Mountaineers lost 48-9 to the Hanover grapplers who used six pins and four decisions in picking up the win. Both teams forfeited at the 119 weight.

125 Bob Jesse took an 8-6 decision for the Mountaineers and 135 Jon Pomrinke gave the Mountaineers six points by flattening his opponent in 5:06.

The Mountaineers dropped to 0-5 in the conference.

Final sign-up for Back Mountain baseball Feb. 9

Back Mountain Baseball has announced that Saturday, February 9 will be the final sign-up day for all players for this year's season. Registration will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. that day at the Shavertown United Methodist Church on Pioneer Avenue in Shavertown.

John Bittner, who heads the Little League and 13-year-old Teener leagues, said that league rules state that anyone who does not sign up by February 9 will not play this season. There can be no exceptions to that rule.

Players may sign up for T-ball, Little League, 13-year-old Teener, Teeners or Girls Softball. There will be a 16 to 18 year old girls softball league this year for the first time. More than 800 players are expected to play in the various leagues this year.

Bittner asks that anyone who wishes to play but who cannot attend the registration February 9 call him at 829-6664 days (preferred) or 675-1244 evenings and weekends.

Black Knights lose to league-leading GAR

Three of coach Rodger Bearde's Knights hit double figures in Saturday night's game with GAR for total of 43 points but it wasn't enough as GAR's Bob Sura again shined in an outstanding game, scoring 53 points for the Grenadiers. Sura scored 24 points in the first half and 29 points in the second to lead his team to a 94-55 win over the Knights.

Bob Jones led the Knights with 19 points while Ben Haughney tossed in 14 and Troy Strauser added 10. Jones hit six goals from the field and went 3-for-4 from the foul line; Haughney tossed in all of his points from the field and Strauser put three scores through the nets from the field and had a perfect 4-for-4 from the free throw stripe. Jones hit for four three-pointers.

Earlier in the week the Knights defeated West Side Tech 84-67 led by Jones 25 points in the first

game of the second half on the Titans' floor.

The Titans outscored the Knights in the first quarter 21-17 but the Knights came back with a 24 point run in the second period to take a 41-37 lead at halftime. In the third period the Knights continued to come on strong outscoring the Titans 24-9 to take a 65-46 lead. The final period was played fairly even with the Titans scoring 21 to the Knights 19.

Jones tossed in seven three-pointers making all of his points from the field. Rich Davis had a perfect 5-for-5 from the foul line and put six shots through the nets from the field for a total of 18. Wally Wills hit six from the field and Ben Haughney tossed five through the nets for 10 points. Davis hit one three-pointer and Rich Hynick hit two three-pointers for six points.

Basketball tourney seeks teams

The Luzerne County Recreation Department is preparing for their 9th Annual Frank P. Crossin 8th Grade Basketball Tournament which will be held at the Luzerne County Community College gym in Nanticoke on the weekends of March 9-10 and March 16-17.

Registration for this event will be open to all 7th and 8th grade Basketball Programs located in Luzerne County.

There will be a small registration fee of \$20 per team to help defray a minor portion of the tournament expenses. All checks or Money Orders should be made payable to the "Luzerne County Treasurer" and mailed to: Joe Gula, Sports Coordinator, Luzerne County Recreation Department, c/o Francis P. Crossin 8th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball Tourney, 5 Water St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711.

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163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown

Anyone who will be playing T-ball,
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or Girls Softball

MUST SIGN UP ON THAT DATE

Please don't miss!

If you don't sign up on this date, you will not play baseball this year.

NO EXCEPTIONS.

If any problem with attending on Feb. 9, you must call

John Bittner (at work preferred) 829-6664 or at home, 675-1244.

PARENTS, please arrange your schedule so that you can sign your child up.

There will be 16-18 year-old girls softball for the first time this year. Anyone interested, please come and sign up. Help make the new program work.



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