

SPORTS

Black Knights field strong volleyball team—again

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Perpetual volleyball powerhouse Lake-Lehman has the makings of an outstanding team again this year.

Lake-Lehman volleyball coach John Baranowski has a strong core group of players returning from last season with nine lettermen coming back, seven of them seniors.

"We have good potential," said Baranowski. "We have people with individual skills and if we get the right combination we will be competitive."

Returning lettermen from last season are Mike Doerfler, Ben Haughney, Brian Maruca, Chris Tawes, and John Turner, seniors; Paul Klemunes and Dave Knapp, juniors; and Brian Kelly and Rob Spencer, sophomores.

The Knights have won 27 straight league matches since being defeated by Tunkhannock on April 11, 1989. They are off to a good start this season having defeated GAR 15-0, 15-9 and Nanticoke 15-5, 15-2.

Turner and Haughney, three year starters, and Doerfler and Tawes, two year lettermen will be starters for the Knights.

"We will play about nine people," said Baranowski. "Doerfler is a back row player, Turner, a great utility player; Haughney plays in the front row and can play defense when needed. Andy Santry is a bright spot coming off the bench with serving and defense. He hustles and is an intense back row

player.

"We have a dedicated group of sophomores coming up and also some talented freshmen," Baranowski added.

The Knights Tournament will be April 4 and April 5 at the district's senior and junior high gyms. The Knights varsity team will play Saturday and the junior varsity will play Friday. There are 20 teams participating in the tournament which will start April 5 at 3 p.m., and April 6 at 9 a.m.

Teams participating in the tournament on Friday will feature local talent including Coughlin, Valley West, Dallas, Pittston, Lake-Lehman's two jayvee teams, Blue Ridge, Mountain View, Forest City, and Crestwood. Saturday will feature teams from the Eastern half of the state including Central York, Western York, State College, Easton, Emmaus, Wyoming Area, North Pocono, Co-Calico, Quakertown and Lehman varsity. Many of these teams are in the state's top 10 rankings.

In the 15 years since Baranowski formed the Lake-Lehman team, they have had 159 wins and only 11 losses; have been league champion 10 times, district champs eight times and made the state finals 11 times.

After ending 1976 with a 3-6 record, the Knights finished 9-0 in 1977, and have gone undefeated in league play nine times since then.

Baranowski's assistant coach is his wife, Jeris Baranowski. Two former players, Chuck James and Dave Jachimovitz also volunteer their help.



KNIGHTS VOLLEYBALL TEAM - Members of the Black Knights varsity volleyball team are shown above. Kneeling, from left, Paul Klemunes, Chris Salko, Mike Doerfler, Jarrod Baranowski, Christopher Tawes; back row, David Knapp, Ben Haughney, Rob Spencer, Brian Maruca, and Jason Gearhart. (Post Photo/C.M. Denmon)



DALLAS GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM - Members of the Dallas High School softball team above are, from left, are, Molly Connolly, Ann Faulks, Sally Friar, Tiffany Owens, Stephanie Kriner, Wendy Cave, Jodi Ward, Theresa Mathers; back row, Kelly McIntyre, Melanie Langdon, Kelly Janosky, Abby Russin, Megan Sheehan, Brenda Misson, Jennifer Coon, Katie Crahall. (Post Photo/C.M. Denmon)

Mount softball team has strong leadership

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Dallas softball coach Jay Pope has seven returning starters for his softball team this season and is expecting them to form a strong nucleus for his team.

"We have 16 girls out for the team this year including two freshmen, Kelly Janosky and Abby Russin, who played in junior high and have great potential. We lost Laura Poynton as pitcher through graduation but we have two girls this year who should do the job for us. Stephanie Kreiner and Wendy Cave are juniors but they both

have medium speed and good control. Our pitching coach Judy Harvey has been working with them and they are doing a great job," Pope said.

"One of our freshmen will probably start at first. Kelly Janosky at first but Abby Russin will back her up," Pope said. "Sophomore Kelley McIntyre will start at second, Melanie Langdon at third and senior Molly Connolly at shortstop.

"Jennifer Coon will be our first string catcher backed up by sophomore Sally Friar. Tiffany Owens, Amy Faulks and Theresa Mathers will be in the outfield with Brenda

Misson, Megan Sheehan, Jodi Ward as backups. When Wendy Cave is not pitching we will be able to use her at second base," Pope said.

The Lady Mountaineers have some great power hitters and if their defense and pitching holds up, Pope expects his team to be competitive.

They will be in the North Division of AAA and will play each team twice and the teams in the South Division once.

In addition to Harvey as pitching coach, Pope's other assistant is Yvonne Mould and together the three make a fine team.



18 Noxen Strikers qualify for Regionals

On March 23, Noxen Strikers wrestled District Mid-Atlantic at Tunkhannock. Eighteen qualified and will advance to Regionals on April 5, 6, and 7 at Mifflinburg, Pa. Those who placed in the top three will continue to wrestle on April 13 and 14 at the Wicomico Civic Center, Salisbury, Md.

Those who qualified are: Bantam: 50 lbs., Todd Jones, 2nd place; 60 lbs., Lou McMillan, 1st place; 60 lbs., Darrell Evans, 2nd place; 73 lbs., R.J. Frey, 1st place.

Midget: 55 lbs., Ryan Corby, 2nd place; 60 lbs., Chad Sorber, 2nd place; 60 lbs., Jason Wood, 3rd place; 75 lbs., Jason Harris, 2nd place; 80 lbs., Lynn McMillan, 1st place; 85 lbs., Adam Schooley, 1st place.

Juniors: 62 lbs., Randy Evans, 2nd place; 70 lbs., James Weber, 1st place; 74 lbs., Joe Halowich, 1st place; 78 lbs., Paul Pitcavage, 3rd place; 86 lbs., Gary Harris, 3rd place; 91 lbs., Jeremy Sorber, 2nd place; 98 lbs., Percy McMillan, 1st place; 130 lbs., Bob Sorber, 1st place.

Sports roundup

Lady Knights score 7-2 win over O'Reilly

The Lady Knights of Lake-Lehman won their second game in the Wyoming Valley Conference Monday by defeating Bishop O'Reilly girls 7-2 paced by Knight Sherri Riaubia who scored three goals in the third period.

Both teams went scoreless until Riaubia scored her first goal in the third off an assist by Robyn Smigielski. She scored her second and third unassisted. Alyson Davis scored on a direct kick.

Heather Picchi scored for the Knights on an unassisted goal to put her team in front 5-1. Final goals were by Turner off an assist by Megan Lukasavage and Melanie Rapsen unassisted.

Mount volleyball tops Coughlin

The Dallas Mountaineer spikers won their second game last Wednesday by defeating Coughlin 17-15, 15-10 behind their new coach Dave Jones.

Mark Lamoreaux served 14 points and Dan Watchulonis added six. Watchulonis also played a strong defensive game for the Mounts. Jeff Polachek had three blocks and five assists. Ned Palka, returning from last season, had six kills and two blocks and Keith McDonald matched Palka's scoring.

YMCA offers children's swim lessons

The Wilkes-Barre YMCA is offering Grade School swimming lessons for children ages 6 yrs. to 12 yrs. For the nonswimmer (pre-poliwog) to the advanced swimmer (shark). YMCA progressive swimming is a seven level program with each level building upon the preceding one. The participant will

learn personal safety, stroke development, water sports and games, personal growth and fitness and basic rescue.

Classes are set to begin the week of April 15 for six weeks. For times and days, please call the Wilkes-Barre YMCA at 823-2191.

The Wilkes-Barre YMCA will also

offer a Stroke Clinic on Wednesday, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. starting April 17. This class is for the intermediate or advanced swimmer who wants to improve their speed and style. The participants will learn how to set up a work out to improve conditioning, pacing and speed.



1991 Back Mountain Soccer Fall sign-up April 20

Back Mountain Youth Soccer Association will hold registration for Fall Soccer on Saturday, April 20, 1991 in the Dallas Middle School cafeteria from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.—one day only. Birth certificates are required for first time players. Children must be at least 6 years old by August 1, 1991. Fees: 1st child, \$30; 2nd child, \$27; 3rd child, \$25. Back Mt. Youth Soccer Assoc. Board for 1991 are seated, from left, Scott Singer, Chuck Kanarr, Adrian Morelli, Gary McDade, Jack Schneider. Standing, Gary Norconk, Walt Williams, Duane Sprau, Joe Kernag, Paul Callahan, Pete Hoffman, Ken Chapple, and Alex Sickert.

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