

# SportsWeek

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Kevin Piekara, above, dropped a 10-foot putt on the 5th green at Emanon Aug. 11. At right, Josh Katyl chipped onto the green on the 6th hole during the final AGA tournament of the season.



## AGA gives teens a good look at golf

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Since its inception, the primary objective of the Anthracite Golf Association has been to promote the sport of golf and good fellowship while furthering the best interests of the game.

Forty-five years after Sam Spencer and his colleagues founded the AGA, his son, John Spencer, Sr. thinks the organization is still living up to that creed.

"The AGA does a fantastic job at promoting the game of golf in a variety of ways," said Spencer, who operates the Lehman Golf Club and is a member of the AGA Executive Committee along with his son, John Spencer, Jr. "All of the local golf clubs belong to the AGA, which is a big help with the scheduling of tournaments. The AGA sponsors the annual Coal

*"I played the AGA whenever I could ... It was a great experience."*

Justin Jumper  
Going to Iona on a golf scholarship

Scuttle Championship, a junior tour and awards a college scholarship.

The AGA Junior Tour provides an opportunity for youngsters to begin their golf careers. The Juniors play six tournaments a year on some of the nicer golf courses in northeastern Pennsylvania.

"The AGA Junior Tour is open to anyone," said John Spencer, Jr. "The best part is that the kids play for free. It gets them inter-

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## Triathlon

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Devine's interest in the local event started after he was a life-guard in the first two triathlons and "liked what I saw and got into it. Then I was hooked."

Sean Robbins of Shavertown, a veteran of four previous races, also noted the addictive powers of the local race. "I got hooked after my first race," he said.

Robbins posted a 38th place at 2:25:09 and was fairly happy with his performance. "Everyone thinks they can do better," he said.

Robbins said the run was a particular struggle this year because "there are some open spots where the sun beats on you. I was really happy to come around the corner and see the finish line."

Robbins' training for the race took a back seat this year to some

more important work. "I spent most of the summer studying for the Bar Exam and didn't get out to train that often." He is a graduate of Villanova University and Dickinson Law School and will be taking the Bar Exam this fall.

Tom Berezich of Trucksville clocked a 3:02:42 performance to place 193rd overall and fifth in the 55-59 male division. He has competed in the race since 1985 and is excited with the idea of adding a half-Ironman to the competition next year. "It would add to the competition," he said.

Adding the half-Ironman to the competition would increase the distances to a 1.2 mile swim, a 56-mile bike ride and a 13.1 mile run.

Although there were a majority of veterans in the field, a few

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Nadaline Temperine  
Dallas

rookies peppered the crowd. Nadalie Temperine, 17, of Dallas completed the entire length of the race for the first time this year. She completed the course in just over three hours. Her time gave her a first place finish in the 14-19 female division, but that wasn't her goal. "I just wanted to finish the whole course," she said.

The race provided her with a quick lesson in road repairs. "The chain fell off my bike and I got scared because I didn't know if I could fix it, but I got it on."

Temperine tuned up for this year's race by completing the Evergreen Triathlon in Allentown in June, where she also finished first in her division. She stays in condition by participating in field hockey, cross-country, swim and track at Dallas High School where she will be a senior this year. "The reason I joined the swim team

was to gain experience in competition."

Temperine likes running the local course because, "It was exciting, all of my friends were there cheering me on."

Marci Rosing-McCally of Kensington Md., a 1988 graduate of Dallas High School, felt the biggest obstacle on the course was the hills. "I'm living in Maryland now and don't have the hills to train on. I'm not used to the terrain. They are definitely my weak point."

Rosing scored a 199th place finish in 3:03:42, just short of her goal of three hours or less. This was Rosing's third attempt at the course. She took a year off last year to get married and hopes to recruit her husband for next year's race. "It's a fun race. We'll be back" she said.



## PSU tournament winners

Winning team players of Penn State Wilkes-Barre's recent "Masters" Golf Tournament are shown from left, John Kotis, Chet Blazick, Ray Cecconi and Tom Stitzer, team captain. The winners were awarded Penn State "Masters" blazers. The Wilkes-Barre Campus Alumni Society, sponsors of the annual golf tournament, donates monies raised by the event to the campus' student scholarship fund.

## Yacht club sails in steady breeze

The weekly Harveys Lake Yacht Club Sailboat Race was held on Sunday, Aug. 10. The sky was hazy with few clouds. The wind was steady from the West skirting to the Southwest later in the race.

Commodore David Delaney posted the following results which were calculated on corrected times: 1st place, Bob Hall and Barbara Aston sailing a Lightning finished in one hour 18 minutes and 20 seconds. Second place went to Joan Williams and Jane Harter.

Third place was taken by Kevin and Beth Blaum; fourth, Dr. John Alaimo and Ellen' sailing a Comet;

Dr. Lane Giddings and Barry Rosen, crew, fifth and Henry Steuben and Kiyoko, sixth.

The Comet Division of the event was won by Joan Williams and Jane Harter. The team exhibited great sailing skill and local knowledge of the winds. Second place went to Dr. John Alaimo and Ellen Alaimo, crew. Third place was taken by the Giddings/Rosen team and fourth went to Henry and Kiyoko Steuben.

The manager of the race was Frank Wadas who was assisted by club photographer, Ted Struthers, who acted as time keeper.



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In left photo, Mike Tomalis, left, and Bill Sprau clowning around before the race. Ed Onzik, right photo, demonstrated either his strength or how little his custom-built bike weighs.

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# Dinosaurs rule in Dallas rec basketball playoffs



Steve Smith of Camp Orchard Hill was surrounded by Dinosaur Jr. defenders in the championship game of the Dallas Rec Basketball League, held Aug. 5 at the rec center.



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Camp Orchard Hill's John Mihalick launched a shot over Dave Hage of Dinosaur Jr. Nafty Hage, far left, and J.J. Smith battled for position underneath. James Lyons of Dinosaur Jr. was at far right. The Campers came up on the short end of a 61-51 score. Both teams had finished the regular season at 8-2.

Jim Jaster fired in 14 points and Nafty Hage added 13 to lead Dinosaur Jr. to a 61-51 win over Camp Orchard Hill in the championship game in the Dallas Rec Center Summer Basketball League. The winners took an early lead and never looked back in posting the victory. Tom Stambaugh had 25 points for the losers including six three pointers but it wasn't enough for Camp Orchard Hill.

League officials would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's league and plans are already being made for next summer's league.

### Dinosaur Jr. - 61

	FG	G	Total
N. Hage	6	1	13
Jaster**	5	2	14
D. Hage**	3	0	8
Lyons***	4	0	11
Johnson	4	2	10
	24	6	61

### Camp Orchard Hill - 51

	FG	G	Total
S. Smith	1	0	2
J. Smith*	4	1	10
Nichol	5	0	10
Mihalek	2	0	4
Stambaugh*****	9	1	25
	21	2	51