

SportsWeek

Section 2

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McCabe wins national title

Jim McCabe has won the World Karting Association National Enduro Series.

The Association held its final event Oct. 29-31 at Lowe's Motor Speedway. McCabe, a 19-year-old Wilkes University student, has been the points leader since his win in the first race of the season, held at Lowe's Motor Speedway in March. McCabe backed that win up with another at Summit Point, WV and two wins in WKA Divisional Races held at New Hampshire International Speedway.

McCabe had enough of a lead over the second place driver that he only needed to finish 19th or better to clinch the championship. The weekend started off nearly disastrous with uncommon tire failure and then losing an engine during the first round of practice causing McCabe to miss most of Friday's test sessions. Although disappointed by the way Friday went, McCabe was able to get in two good rounds of practice Saturday and be ready for his second place starting position on the grid.



JIM McCABE

McCabe was able to hold on to his second place position until a red flag stopped the race and a full restart was ordered. This time when the green flag waved McCabe was able to take the lead, but because of the long straightaways on the 2.25 mile road course, drafting is very important, and the drivers were able to pass him in the front straight. Preferring to be in the lead, McCabe used his road course skills and retook the lead on the fast and challenging infield. However, in the end two drivers drafted by him again and with no time left McCabe finished third, a mere 0.257 seconds behind the leader.

McCabe would like to thank his friends and marketing partners at Advanced Employee Services, Luzerne; BOC Gases in Kingston; Castle Chemicals, Gouldsboro; Competition Plus Motorsports, Dallas; Dallas Parcel Service, Dallas; Fleet Decal and Graphics, Plymouth; Mike Goldsmith, Dallas; Hanover Ornamental Iron Works, Dallas; Hope Telecom, Luzerne; Dr. Jerry McDonald, DVM, Carverton; Shorty's Pizza, Luzerne; and Sports Plus, Dallas, for all of their help this season.

Knights advance to title game

It will be the battle of unbeaten Wednesday night when Lake-Lehman faces Crestwood for the District 2, Class AA championship at Lackawanna County Stadium.

The Black Knights played their way to the title game by shutting out Wyoming Seminary 2-0 last week. Alyson Bevan and Terri Peiffer scored the two goals, and the Lehman defense limited Sem to three shots on goal.

In photos, clockwise from top left: Janelle Perlis, left, battled Magan Vanderburg for control; Lindsey Boris had her eye on the ball against Christine Dempsey; Terri Peiffer cleared the ball from the Lehman goal after a Sem corner.

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U-10 Travel Soccer title games Sunday

Back Mountain teams advanced to the championship games in Back Mountain U-10 Travel Soccer action last weekend.

Back Mountain slammed Lower Valley (Cole) 10-0 in the Boys A Division. In the Boys B Division, Back Mountain blanked Hazleton 5-0. Back Mountain edged Lower Valley 2-1 in the Girls Division.

Championship games will be played Sunday, Nov. 7 at Center St. Park in Kingston Twp. The boys games will begin at 1 p.m., with Back Mountain A meeting East Mountain and Back Mountain B playing Abington. The girls game between Back Mountain and East Mountain will begin at 2:30 p.m.

C Squad wins awards

The C Squad Competition team of the Lake-Lehman Jr. Knights recently participated in a competition held at Pittston Area High School. The girls won a first place award for their sideline dance, along with a third place award for their sideline chant. The squad consists of 18 girls ages six through nine. Pictured with their awards are, from left, 1st row, Ranya Grzybowski, Katelyn Dawsey, Laura Lohmann, Ashley Zvikas; 2nd row, Deanna Dragon, Mackenzie Brown, Ali Noon, Suzanne Sikora, Stephanie Butler, Samantha Brown; 3rd row, Leanne Grabski, Ashley Dropko, Samantha Jo Hudak, Tiffany Ritz, Ariel Scull, Lauren Dawsey, Rachel Litchman, Kirsten Jackson; 4th row, Coaches, Lee Sikora, Brenda Dawsey, Jacquie Sikora.



B Squad takes 1, 2, 3

The Lake-Lehman B Squad Competition Team recently competed in competitions in Duryea and Pittston. The girls took one 1st place, two 2nd places, and a 3rd place while competing against seven squads at each competition. The squad consists of 22 girls including their mascot. Pictured are 1st row, Tori Frederick (mascot); 2nd row, Jasmine Waltman, Cindy Devens, Angela Thomas, Tanya Scull, Shannon Simoson, Melinda Ritz, Nicole Scull; 3rd row, Amanda Kotulski, Arianne Salla, Sara Farrey, Ashley Payne, Lauren Litchman, Heather Poluske, Sierra Stark; 4th row, Brittany Shewan, Jill Chocallo, Hannah Sorber, Victoria Lacek, Marteen Besteder, Kasey Welebob, Melinda Seabridge. The squad is coached by Barb Besteder, Laurie Kennedy, Tauna Thomas, Georgia, Angela and Missy Simoson.



Perlis scores 100th goal

Janelle Perlis, a senior field hockey captain at Lake-Lehman High School recently scored her 100th career goal. She was awarded the game ball, balloons, and a huge Tiger by her teammates and coaches, who joined in celebrating this accomplishment.

Janelle is a 4-year starter for the Black Knights under coach Jean Lipski. She is an All-State and All-American and was a member of the U-16 National Field Hockey Team. She returned this season after undergoing knee surgery in the spring and had limited playing time early in the season. Her career total now stands at 102 goals. Janelle is being recruited by several Division I colleges including: Wake Forest, James Madison Univ., Duke and Virginia.

Pictured are Assistant Coach Sandy Boyle, Janelle, and Head Coach Jean Lipski.

