

In The Pocket.

By
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Metropolitan Detroit, long known as the bowling capital of the world, is reaping honors again.

This time, the area has been selected by the Brunswick Co. for the first installation of synthetic lanes since they were certified by the American Bowling Congress.

The installation will be in the 24-lane unit of Eastland Bowl, owned and

operated by Fred Wolf. The new lanes will be installed during the coming summer.

In was in this area more than a quarter of a century ago that the first automatic pinsetter were installed. Then came the first automatic scorers and now the synthetic lanes that will add a new credibility to the game.

The synthetic lanes are produced by General Electric Co. and supposedly will end all tampering with the lanes to get high scores.

It is claimed that the synthetic lanes do not need refinishing or oiling between shifts or from day to day. All they require is to be cleaned and they will have all the appearances of the

present wooden lanes.

Two of these synthetic lanes have been installed at How's Lanes in Clarkston, but that was before they were certified by the ABC.

SOMETHING strange happened at Wonderland Lanes in Livonia during the past week. There were no 700 series posted. It marked the first time

in more than a month that no one had broken the 700 career.

The closest anyone came to breaking it was Bill Poe. He started with a 217, followed with a 196 and closed with 280 for a 693. Bill is the sharpshooter who posted an 814 earlier in the season.

His closest rival last week was Hugh O'Neil, who rolled games of 212, 199 and 256 for a 669.

KATY SZONYE, the Plymouth all-star, helped her Maxwell team roll the high team game of 1811 in the Ladies Major League at Crown Lanes. Elvira Toeper contributed a 231 to Jac Ro's total of 2840. Joe Kahn had high game of 248 and Leona Pinkas had 618 for high series.

MICHELE YUHN, who carries a 129 average at Woodland Lanes, had a right to smile this week. She bowled games of 166, 223 and 147 for 536 and Kathy Clark, of the Keglerettes, a 158 average bowler, turned in a 202 game.

In the Bowling Belles league, Nancy Jones, with a 158 average, fashioned a 575, and Jean Grezak, with a 121 average, fired a 145.

Athens wrestlers win MSA

By MARTY BUDNER

Adams High School placed wrestlers in 11 of 13 events to become champions of the Metro-Suburban Activities Association (MSAA) in last week's snow-delayed finals at Athens High School.

The Highlanders, who won the dual meet portion of MSAA action with a 5-0 record, had individual champions in three different classes to determine personal league title Southfield-Lathrup. Last year Adams did not win a meet all season.

Lathrup, which was only 1-4 during the dual meet season, finished second in the league championship with 127½ points. Dondoro was third, followed by Lathrup, Groves and Athens.

"It's a tremendous feeling," said Adams' first-year coach Kent Bailo. "This (winning MSAA title) is what we've been working for all year."

"I think we made believers out of a lot of people who figured we were lucky during the dual meet season. We were the youngest team there, and we'll have varsity starters returning

next year in 11 classes.

All three of the Highlander champions were underclassmen. Keith Masters, a sophomore who won the 112-pound category, finished the season with a 38-7 record, while juniors Paul Cracknell and Dave Walsh combined for 42 wins.

Cracknell, who had 19 pins in 27 wins this season, won the 191-weight class with a pin of Lathrup's Tom Kelly at 1:58. Walsh won the 130 title in what turned out to be one of the closest matches of the day—a 2-1 decision over Athens' Gary Spillman.

Other individual titles went to wrestlers from Dondoro (four), Lathrup (three) and Lathrup (two).

The three winners for the Knights included John Segula at 105 pounds, Stan Cross at 128 and Steve Hill at 165. Segula, John Drew of Groves and Lathrup, and Cross pinned Shane DeVoe of Adams at 3:34.

Lathrup finished the dual meet season with a 3-1-1 mark and led second place with Royal Oak Dondoro. The Chargers' two individual titles

came at 119 and 155 pounds.

Rob Parent, only a junior who is close to 100 career wins, pinned Barry Caldwell at 3:44 for the 119-pound championship. Lathrup's other win was at 165 where Steve Hill won over Adams' Dan Greco by forfeit.

The Redhaws failed to win a MSAA dual meet and finished last at the championships with 79 points.

Redhaws Ed Schlickemeyer and Spillman both managed second places over coach Bill Wilde. Schlickemeyer lost to Wade Gravin of Dondoro in a 1-2 decision.

Athens also had two third-place finishes, including Chuck Rutledge at 90 pounds and Bruce Bentley at 132. Rutledge decided Dave VanDore of Adams, 3-2, while Bentley, who was wrestling for only the third time this year, pinned Lathrup's Tim Herbert at 4:54.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

90 pounds: Mike Woodland (Dondoro) def. Steve Kerner by default. Consolation: Chuck Rutledge (Adams) def. Dave VanDore (Adams) 3-2.

112: John Segula (Lathrup) pinned John Drew (Groves) in 1:21. Consolation: Howard Matthews (Dondoro) def. Tony Lathrup (Adams) 1-0.

119: Keith Masters (Adams) def. Jay Richter (Lathrup) 4-0. Consolation: Jeff Dumes (Lathrup) def. Rob Kops (Lathrup) 5-2.

128: Rob Parent (Lathrup) pinned Barry Caldwell (Groves) at 3:44. Consolation: Dan Rahn (Dondoro) def. Jeff O'Neil (Lathrup) by forfeit.

130: Stan Cross (Lathrup) pinned Shane DeVoe (Adams) at 1:58. Consolation: Edgar Kasch (Lathrup) def. Jim Harley (Dondoro) 16-3.

132: Ted Nick (Dondoro) def. Dave Fagan (Adams) 20-2. Consolation: Bruce Bentley (Adams) pinned Tim Herbert (Lathrup) at 4:54.

155: Dave Walsh (Adams) def. Gary Spillman (Lathrup) 4-0. Consolation: Steve Socrates (Lathrup) pinned Glen Jay (Groves) at 2:45.

165: Steve Hill (Adams) def. Ed Schlickemeyer (Lathrup) 4-0. Consolation: Chris Kautz (Lathrup) def. John Segula (Lathrup) 1-0.

191: Dave Fagan (Lathrup) def. Dan Greco (Groves) pinned Mark Rob (Lathrup) at 2:19.

191: Steve Hill (Adams) def. Chris Walsh (Adams) by forfeit. Consolation: Tom Kennedy (Groves) pinned Mark Rob (Lathrup) at 2:19.

220: Dave Walsh (Adams) def. Brady Buckley (Lathrup) 12-0. Consolation: Dan Burgess (Adams) pinned Matt Grish (Groves) 4-0.

248: Paul Cracknell (Adams) pinned Tom Kelly (Lathrup) 1-0. Consolation: John Dond (Groves) def. John Jones (Lathrup) 8-3.

284: Steve Hill (Adams) pinned Marty Nash (Adams) at 1:30. Consolation: Nelson Kasch (Lathrup) pinned Chuck Beaur (Dondoro) at 4:10.

THE SENIOR citizens had his finest day at Garden Lanes and when the final pin had fallen, Merrill Wright was in front with 877. Ken Via was next with 567 and Cliff Lar was third with 565.

THE PLYMOUTH ROCKS of the Pen Donners league at Mayflower Lanes set a new mark for the league when the four-girl team rolled a 731 game. The members of the team are Marion Cooke, Pat Rozek, Li Blankenckier and Blessing Holde.

In the other ladies league, Barb Harlan was high with 216 in 581, but had to yield the series honors to Linda McDowell, who had a 215 in 591.

Four new members were admitted to the Mayflower Split Conversion Club. Donna Hodges got in the hard way by topping the impossible 4-6-7-10. Jan Harrison made it by spilling the 4-6, while a Marlene Gilman and Helen Gorstie each knocked over the 6-7-10 and Sue Forbes swept the 4-10 on the way to drilling a 268 game.

ONE OF BOWLING'S rarities happened this week at Plymouth Bowl when two of the senior citizens—Dick Frenzel and Mary Dillon—rolled identical series of 177, 145 and 166—488.

In the newcomers league, Betty Bernardi was high with games of 170, 168 and 164 for 502.

LARRY PLOPAN got away to a good start in the industrial league at Plaza Lanes when he rolled a 253. But he dropped to games of 194 and 148 for a 595 series.

MARIO RUSSO survived a high-scoring session to take top honors in the Bel-Aire Classic with a 698 series that included a 290 opener.

Gordie Cantwell finished in the runner-up spot with a 662 and Mark Ellis-ten was third with 650. Dick Hall placed fourth with 649 and four pins further back came Jerry Lidgeway with 645.

S-L tankers lose

Southfield-Lathrup won seven of the 11 events in its Metro-Suburban Association swimming meet against Troy Athens last Thursday. Several Lathrup swimmers recorded lifetime-best times.

So, why did Athens defeat Lathrup, 69-83?

"We're lacking in depth and it's just killing us," explained Lathrup coach Pete Biglin, whose team is 2-5 overall and 0-1 in the MSA. "Time-wise and depth-wise, we swam one of our best meets. But we just don't have the depth; we just don't have the people."

Lathrup senior Bill Dunn had a good night, winning the 50-yard freestyle with a Lathrup pool record 22.5 and topping the 100-yard freestyle in :50.0. He also swam a leg on Lathrup's 400-yard freestyle relay (with Kevin Coykendall, Jan Roberts and Chris Jacobs), which won in 3:28.0.

Coykendall, also a senior, won two individual events, posting lifetime bests in the 200 free (:51.6) and the 500 free (4:58.5). Roberts won the 200 individual medley in 2:16.2, chopping three seconds off his previous best time. Lathrup sophomore Mike Cleveland won the 100 backstroke with a lifetime-best 1:03.9.

Athens' 200 medley relay (Phil Merlo, Randy Eller, Dan Hahn and Greg Herbert) won in 1:49.0. Eller won the 100 breaststroke (1:07.1), and Hahn took the 100 butterfly in :57.9. Athens' diver code won that event with 274.70 points.

won the 100 back in 1:02.3, and finished second behind Dunn in the 200 IM. Southfield senior Mark Borovoy finished second in the 50 free and the 100 free.

The loss dropped Southfield coach Bob Harding's Southfield club to 4-2 overall.

On Tuesday, Lathrup swims at non-league North Farmington. The Chargers return to their MSA schedule on Feb. 9 with a meet at Bloomfield Hills Lathrup. Southfield High entertains Hazel Park in a Southeastern Michigan Association meet on Thursday. All meets begin at 7:30 p.m.

ATHENS 59 - LATHRUP 83

200-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY - Troy Athens (Phil Merlo, Randy Eller, Dan Hahn, Greg Herbert) 1:49.0. Southfield-Lathrup, Troy Athens.

50-YARD FREESTYLE - Kevin Coykendall (SL) 22.5. Dan Hahn (TA) 23.0.

100-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY - Jan Roberts (SL) 2:16.2. Dan Hahn (TA) 2:16.2.

100-YARD FREESTYLE - Bill Dunn (SL) 22.5. Lathrup pool record. Brian Saylor (TA), Greg Herbert (TA).

DIVING - Code (TA) 234.70 points. Mark Woodland (SL), Tom LaFontaine (TA).

100-YARD BUTTERFLY - Dan Hahn (TA) 57.9. Jan Roberts (SL), Tom Taylor (TA).

50-YARD FREESTYLE - Bill Dunn (SL) 22.5. Brian Saylor (TA), Jerry Weick (SL).

100-YARD FREESTYLE - Kevin Coykendall (SL) 22.5. Chris Jacobs (SL), Olanus (TA).

100-YARD BACKSTROKE - Mike Cleveland (SL) 1:03.9. Phil Merlo (TA), Marshall (TA).

100-YARD FREESTYLE - Randy Eller (TA) 1:07.1. Dan Hahn (TA), Keith Hicks (TA).

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LATHRUP 106 - SOUTHFIELD 64

200-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY - Southfield-Lathrup (Mike Cleveland, Keith Hicks, Jan Roberts, Dan Vincent) 1:52.1. Southfield High, Southfield High.

50-YARD FREESTYLE - Kevin Coykendall (SL) 22.5. Joe Adams (SL), Jerry Weick (SL).

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OU tourney to honor Gehringer

The second-annual Charlie Gehringer golf tournament, honoring the Detroit Tiger great from the 1930s, will be held at Oakland University's Katke-Cousins Golf Course on June 15. It was announced by Al Kaline, the event's chairman.

The day's program will include a round of golf on the scenic course located on the grounds of Meadow Brook Hall, luncheon, on the course, and cocktails, dinner, an award program, and an evening of dancing on the Meadow Brook Hall lawn.

The entry fee is \$150 and includes dinner for the golfer's spouse. If a husband and wife both wish to play golf, the fee is \$275. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Oakland University and Meadow Brook Hall, the 100-room Tudor-style mansion on the OU campus.

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PUBLIC MEETING

The Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation will have representatives present at a public meeting from 4-8 P.M., Tuesday, February 14, 1978, in the Council Chambers, Farmington Hills City Hall, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan.

The purpose of this meeting is to provide the opportunity for the public to drop in and discuss future improvements to M-102 (Former 1-96) at the 10 Mile Road and Grand River Avenue Interchange in Oakland County.

It is the intent of the Department to not only invite, but also to encourage, citizen involvement and participation in the M-102 study. It must be stressed that this is not a public hearing of the recommended highway improvements, as there have been none selected. The purpose of the meeting is to gain input, at the earliest stage of the study, from local residents and to stimulate communication and cooperation.

Brochures are available at the Farmington Hills City Hall. Additional information may be obtained by contacting:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Accounting Test will be taken by the Farmington Public School District for the February 14, 1978, Special Election. The test will be taken on Thursday, the 9th day of February, 1978, at 2:00 P.M. The test will be held at the City Clerk's office, City of Farmington Hills, 31555 W. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan.

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Canton nips Churchill '5'

By DENNIS O'CONNOR

Plymouth Canton's Russ Mandie foiled Livonia Churchill's attempt for a second-straight victory over the Chiefs by stealing a pass in the final seconds of action to preserve a 51-50 triumph over the Chargers Friday night at Canton.

Mandie converted two foul shots with 19 seconds left to give the Chiefs what seemed to be a comfortable three-point margin, 51-48. Churchill's Craig Hanton quickly raced down court and scored a basket to narrow the Canton lead to one point.

In the in-bounds pass, Canton's Randy Riemas threw the ball away, and the Chargers regained possession and called time out to set up a final shot with only nine seconds left on the clock.

As Churchill moved the ball around for its final attempt, Mandie came out of nowhere to beat a pass away from the buzzer sounded, saving the Chiefs vic-

tory—their fourth straight and seventh in the last eight starts.

"Rusty (Mandie) was just waiting for that pass," a jubilant Canton coach Coey Cavell said. "He knew it was coming."

"We controlled the game with our defense. To win with just nine seconds left and not having the ball was just great."

Although Churchill coach Fred Price was disappointed that his squad never got the final shot away, he admitted they lost the game in the first half which saw Canton control most of the action enroute to a 25-22 lead at intermission.

"We kept hustling but we lost it in the first half with our 14 turnovers," Price said about his 9-9 squad. "Canton runs as good as anybody and they took us out of our game for a while."

"In the second half, I thought we played as well as they did. We committed only five turnovers."