Motor City Show at Bloomfield club

By Jim Toth stall writer

Enthusiasm was at a premium Tuesday afternoon at the prestigious Bloomfield Open Hunt Club.
The reason? Anticipation of the annual Motor City Horse Show and Detroit Horse Show, two of the premier equestrian events in the court, totaling more than \$175,000 In prize money.

Leading that enthusiasm were cochaltpersons of the back-to-back extravaganzas Robert Brown and Nancy Kropf. Both have been instrumental for more than a decade in the success of both show.

"It's just umbelievable," said Brown, who joined Kropf in 1974.

Tit's like anything else, it has grown and become something spectacular."

THE MOTOR CITY Horse Show, featuring the \$35,000 Chrysler Motor City Prix Saturday at 7.30 p.m., began Wednesday morning and will run through Sunday. Saturday's

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Grand Prix is one of 10 classes across the country from which would-be members of the United States Equestrian Show Jumping Team are selected to represent the nation in September's Olympic competition. The Detroit Horse Show, featuring the 385,000 Cadillae North American Grand Prix to Detroit Saturday June 23 at 7:30 p.m., is scheduled for June 21:46. The feature event next weekend is the midpoint in the American Grandprix Association's (AGA) show jumping tour which determines Horse of the Year and Rider of the Year awards at the upcoming National Horse Show.

The AGA series began in 1970 with a total purse of \$200,000. In 1987, a total of \$2 million in prize money was offered.

The BOH has been part of the AGA tour since its inception. Brown said this year's jumping events will feature more than 500 entires, representing all sections of the country.

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ship around here, but this year will be different because we'll have peo-ple at all the gates," Brown said. "This place gets full every night and is just unbelievably crowded on the weakender."

THE MOTOR CITY Horse Show classes begin daily a 18 a.m. Evening classes start at 7 pm. Fytday and 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Saturday. The Detrioit Horse Show classes also begin daily at 8 a.m. Evening classes start at 7:30 pm. Thursday and Friday and 7 pm. Saturday. Tickets are 33 per day and 35 per light.

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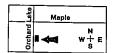
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June big month for top draft pick

By Sleve Kowaiski staff willer

The month of June has showered Mike Modano with one kind fortune after another. On June 7, Modano celebrated his 18th birthday, A week from Friday, Modano graduates from Cariton High School in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

But what happened to Modano last Saturday makes those happy occasions pale by comparison. The Minnesota North Stars made Modano, a menident of Highman and a one-time resota North Stars made Modano, a menident of Highman and a one-time to the National Hecket Leap pick in th

MODANO SPENT the last two seasons playing junior hockey for the Prince Albert Raiders of the West-near Hockey League. Before that, he attended Livonia Franklin High School and lived in Westland for three years with parents Michael Sand Karen. Modano's parents remained in Westland while son Mikis in Prince Albert. The move paid off. Last season,

Modano, a center, scored 47 goals and 80 assists in 65 games. And though he has yet to sign a professional contract, the move also figures to pay off at the bank. He says he is ready for life in the MILL. Modano's goal is to make the parent club right away and not have to spend time in the minor leagues. "I just hope to step in and try to help the North Stars as much as I can," said Modano. "They have told me they'll play me where I feel comfortable, and my status will depend on the preseason games and how well I do."

THE NIII.'S Central Scouling Bu-reau ranked Modano No. 1 in its pre-draft evaluation, but there was some question whether the North Stars would take a chance on him because of his slight build. Modano is 6-feet. 3, 199 pounds, but has been working on a strength-conditioning program in anticipation of the rugged play in the NIII.

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After next Friday's graduation, Modano said the will return to Westland for a couple of weeks before going back to Prince Albert on July 12 in preparation for the 1988-89 season.

Modano has done a lot of growing up over the last two years. He's taying with an older couple, and he calls it his second home.

"You don't have the nag of your parents, and you've got you're own responsibility." he said. "You just have to make the right judgments.
"It's a relief to get the draft over with. So far it's been the best part of my life."

But maybe the best is yet to come.

Scullengets high honor fromleague

Maureen Scullen, a senior at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, received the Scholar-Ath-lete Award for girls soccer at the 13th Annual Operation Friendship

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The Detroit Catholic and Public School leagues are Joint sponsors of the event Scullen, who graduates from Mercy this month with a 3.85 grade-point average, was the Catholic League representative in soccer.

Scullen will enter the University of Michigan in the fall with plans to study pre-law and business. She also will compete for the U-M women's soccer team.

During the summer, she will travel to Wisconsin with an under-18 Michigan youth soccer team as part of the Olympic Development Program. The team will play against other Midwest teams.



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