

Now there's bowling ball for all occasions

HIGH TECH BOWLING balls are here to stay, and this season there are more to choose from than ever. In this era of "short oil," synthetic lanes, varying lane conditions and newly developed lane dressing, more ball manufacturers are developing the equipment to meet the needs of the sport today.



10-pin alley
Al Harrison

Most of the new models are constructed with a urethane outer shell. There are several variations in the weight block.

These are elements that will cause the ball to react differently under certain conditions like oily lanes, medium lanes and dry lanes.

The Columbia "U-Dot" line comes in five different models, each for a certain type of condition with new pearlized finishes, to go along with the old stand-bys.

Brunswick now has five different versions of the "Rhino," each a different color for each particular lane condition.

AMF has added the "Cobra" to its existing line. The ball is designed to work best on heavy oil conditions.

New from Ebonite is the "Thunderbolt M/D," developed for medium to dry lanes.

Produced by Fabahl Industries, offers a wide selection of urethane balls, including the "Nail" for medium to oily lanes.

The "Enforcer" is another series developed by Track, Inc., which features a dual-weight block to reduce friction.

Star Trax makes the "Equalizer" for 213 weight and the X-15 with a triple-weight urethane shell.

Rotogrip claims its new ball, the "Gresado," is an explosive weapon.

These are all fine productions, but they may be more expensive than our old "backyard" ball. But anything is worth the price if you can score higher.

With the holidays fast approaching, this might be a nice little stocking stuffer.

Most of the balls mentioned can be obtained at your local pro shop or bowling center. The selection, however, may be wanting, so ask for help.

• **Drakehire Lanes in Farmington** featured my old teammate, Fred Hamilton, hitting an 816 series with games of 298, 290 and 248.

• In the Greenfield Mixed League at Country Lanes in Farmington, the leaders included Bob Atkins (237/6-2), Lelanne Dutton (212/5-23), Steve Musinski (225, 223/6-14) and Bill Stefani (225/5-3). Clark Jimmerson clipped in with a 205 game while pre-bowling for the Thanksgiving weekend.

• Jim McNeil led the Friday Night West Side Men's League at Bel Aire Lanes with a 674 series. Right behind was Mark Howes (274/6-58) and Bob Duman (550).

In the Senior House League on Tuesdays, Darryl Rollins shot a 298 game, leaving the four-nine split on the 12th ball. He finished with a 712 series.

Other top scorers included Willie Smith, 267/7-8; Fred Vitall, 244/8-9; Paul Kenzie, 254/11-12; and Bob Duman, 252/6-4; Bud Gignac, 258/4-4; Tom John-

son, 641; and Lynn Lewis, 251/4-7.

Bob Ritter converted the daunting 4-6-7-10 "double pinocchio" split.

• At Redford Lanes, last week's action in the West Side Lutheran League featured these high scores: Eugene Chambers, 266/6-2; Frank Galati, 643 series; Jary Wochlik, 637; Tom Roy, 276/6-15; Craig Tillman, 603; and Jerry Laho, 254 game.

• In the Ford Limited Salaried League at Woodland Lanes in Livonia, Bob Spear led with a 710 series. In the rollers, Linda Sydor bowled a 224, Jim Stierhag (228) and Dan Emmett (258/7-10) led the Men's Trio. Joan Nixon shot a 232 game in the Early Birds, while Ed Whigley hit a 679 series in the Senior House League.

The Midnight Delco League featured Keith Spark at 791, while Angie Lupu fired a 213, 103 pins over her average in the Wonder Women circuit.

In St. Edith's, Scott House shot a 285, while in the Friday Kings and Queens, Tom Eisey had a 749 series.

• At Mayflower Lanes in Redford, V. Creighan delivered games of 202 and 213 for a 603 series.

In the Swinging Seniors, the leaders included Art Crocena (233), Don Wilson (227) and Jan Oliver (217).

• At Merri-Bowl in Livonia, Tom Wojnowski scored a 703 series to lead the senior House league.

Wendy Smith (780) and Bruce Herzog (765) paced the Night Approach-King Lanes Trio League.

In the Ladies Classic, Darlene Florenti scored 1201, 267 and 160 for a 652 set. The Merri-Bowl Mixers featured Denise Wolter with a 626.

Linda Soeta scored 230, 199 and 233 for a 661 series in the Noving Jills, while the top scorers in the Golden Eagle circuit were Bob Duman (673) and Bruce Benz (621) and Craig Senkawk (671).

• At Garden Lanes in the Dearborn Heights Men's League, Gordy Cantwell led the way with a 714 series on games of 258, 221 and 235.

• Some proprietors have been complaining about adults buying drinks for underage bowlers. This is a big "no-no," and anyone who does this is taking a big risk, and not doing any favors for the kids by encouraging them to bow alone.

This can jeopardize the liquor license of the establishment, cause hard feelings by all involved, and lead to prosecution by the owners.

The problem seems to escalate during the holidays, so let's be all good. Taylor Center (24-1) overall is led by guard Wendy Jamula, who has scored more than 2,000 points in her career. The Lakers have two more

WLAA meet stirs controversy

By Brad Emmons
staff writer

Plymouth Salem coach Chuck Olson said criticism about the way the 12-team Western Lakes Activities Association girls swim meet was run on Nov. 10 is unfounded.

Olson, whose school hosted the meet, defended the new format, which allowed 18 places to be scored instead of 12.

Northville coach Bill Dicks, who could not be reached on Monday, reportedly is upset about the new format, which tends to favor schools with larger-sized teams.

"A majority of the coaches wanted to go 18 places because of the size of the conference," Olson said. "The whole idea was to get more kids to participate. With 12 teams it makes sense to go to 18 per event."

"Doug Buckler (the Livonia Stevens boys coach) came up with the idea and I have to admit I was one who really liked it. It was in effect for the boys meet last year and it worked well."

"If just he (Dicks) would worry more about his own team than worrying about people picking on him. He's a very confused individual over there."

THE OBSERVER also learned that errors were made in point-totals for the final team standings.

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— Chuck Olson
Salem swimming coach

Olson, however, said all schools have been notified about the corrections, which moves Northville into second place with 357 points behind league champion North Farmington with 438. Fifth-place finisher Livonia Stevenson was also shorted 24 points.

Original totals for the top five teams, as reported in the Nov. 13 Observer, read: North (438), Plymouth Canton (355), Plymouth Salem (349), Northville (340) and Livonia Stevenson (293).

The new standings should read: North (346), Northville (357), Canton (355), Salem (348) and Stevenson (317).

"It was an honest mistake that we caught after everybody was gone from the meet," Olson said. "We told Northville and Stevenson the Monday following the meet. It was no big

swimming

Salem coach. "You can still enter only four (individuals) per event, but you're only really only talking about 20 minutes longer to accommodate 54 more kids."

"Places 13 through 18 wouldn't have scored before, but now the kids are more excited about the meet after we added the six places. It gives them a shot. There were some great races in the third heat. You saw some great swimming."

"We had an eighth place finisher in this meet (Cheri Vincent of Salem) qualify for the state in the 200-yard individual medley. There are a lot of good swimmers who never make the top six (championship heat) in this meet."

Olson went on to say "Our conference champ is not just a few individuals, it's a whole team."

"This format is going to continue for years to come because most of the coaches like it," he said.

Other league meets run by the WLAA, including track and tennis, have come under fire in the past. Coaches have also complained about scheduling and standings formats in the 12-school, two-divisional conference.

Ziggy brings Lakers good luck

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

Michelle Acerts, Amira Danforth and Ziggy the Bear.

It all added up to another win for West Bloomfield in the Class A girls basketball tournament.

The Lakers held off Detroit Cass Tech, 55-44, Wednesday in a regional final played at Berkeley, and afterward coach Ronna Greenberg and Ziggy the Bear, Danforth and Acerts, some of the credit.

We all know Acerts, who scored a game-high 16 points, and Danforth, who added 13, but who's Ziggy?

"It's this teddy bear," said Greenberg. "My players gave it to me and I keep it in my pocket during the games for good luck."

ZIGGY HELPED, and so did Shannon Sipperly, who scored eight of her 12 points in the fourth quarter.

Four of Sipperly's points in the final quarter came from the free throw line, as Cass Tech, a Detroit Public School League member, was forced to foul to get the ball back.

The win was the first ever regional crown for West Bloomfield and the Lakers will meet Taylor Center in a Class A quarterfinal at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Southfield High.

Taylor Center (24-1) overall is led by guard Wendy Jamula, who has scored more than 2,000 points in her career. The Lakers have two more



girls basketball

close ones. For some reason, we're not making free throws when there's no pressure. Tonight, we made them with pressure on."

Cass Tech, the Class A runner-up two years ago under coach Charles Frank, ended its season at 14-5 overall. Robyn Williams scored 12 points. Yolanda McGehee had 11 and Kenyetta Borden 10 for Cass Tech, which will return all but one of its players next year.

"We're young in experience," Frank said. "Although most of them are 11th graders, this is the first year they've ever played. They've come a long way. If we get a few players more, we'll be a lot stronger."

CASS LED, 28-27 at halftime. The Lakers opened up a 36-32 lead on a basket by reserve Kelly Roberts, but

one of the third quarter tied the game, 36-36.

Acerts, who scored seven points in the fourth quarter, gave the Lakers the lead for good, 42-40, with 520 left on a basket in the paint. Acerts made one of two free throws to give West Bloomfield a 43-40 lead and Danforth then made two important defensive plays — taking a charge and forcing a jump ball — with less than three minutes left.

The Lakers' defense in the second half was the difference, according to Greenberg.

"I went in at halftime and I told the kids, 'Cass Tech wants it more than we did.' Our shoes said, 'We were stuck in our green defensively.'"

Lanise Baldas was the other double figure scorer for West Bloomfield, pouring in 10 points.

DCD blisters Blissfield

Detroit Country Day is making a return trip to the Class C girls basketball quarterfinal, and this year the Yellow Jackets figure to be more prepared.

DCD routed Blissfield, 46-25, in the regional final Wednesday at Petersburg, setting up a quarterfinal matchup Wednesday against Capoe at Armada.

Game time is 7 p.m.

DCD (23-1 overall) lost last year to Harbor Beach in the quarterfinal, so DCD coach Frank Orlando's players aren't going to take Capoe lightly, he said.

"The thing I'm aware of is Capoe beat Marlette Wednesday for the regional title and Marlette beat Harbor Beach, which beat us last year," Orlando said. "They have — from all reports — a very good club."

Capoe will be hard-pressed, however, to throw a more talented lineup on the court than DCD. Peggy Evans led the No. 1-ranked Yellow Jackets' rout over Blissfield with 27 points and 12 rebounds.

CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 1989

Mayor Sever called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Members present: Mayor Sever, Mayor Pro-Tem For. Bates, Grant, Lichtman, Marks, and Vagozno. Others present: City Manager Cook, Assistant City Manager Goll, City Clerk Dornan, Director of Public Services Blaseil, Director of Planning and Community Development Countegan, and City Attorney Bibeau.

The following actions were taken by Council:

APPROVED:

- ENACTMENT or Ordinance C-19-89 to amend Wastewater Disposal Standard and Regulations.
- City of Detroit Delegation Agreement.
- Amendment to the Coppercreek Agreement for the Planned Resident Development.
- Resolution to increase the Northwest Pressure District Capital Charge for water taps.
- Nomination of Jean Fox as Mayor and Aldo Vagozno as Mayor Pro-Tem for 1990.
- Resolution authorizing City's participation in proposed widening of Eight Mile Road from I-275 to Haledale.
- Project Plan and Bonds for Marketing Display, Inc. Project.
- Certificates of Occupancy for Keating homes.
- Payback agreement for water main on Moran Street West of Middlebelt, Section 26.
- Fire Fighters Labor Agreement.
- Establishment of Special Assessment District for Alleyway water main and setting date of December 11, 1989, for Public Hearing of Determination.
- Establishment of Special Assessment District for Alleyway and Patricia sanitary sewer installation and setting date of December 11, 1989, for Public Hearing of Determination.
- Request for employment under Section 0101A of the City Charter.
- Confirmation of appointment of Phillip Arnold to the Planning Commission.

APPROVED INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE TO:

- Adopt re-codified City Code of Ordinances.
- Amend the City Code Section 14.960 Ten Mile Rouge Arm connection charge to \$1,400, effective January 1, 1990.
- Authorize the conveyance of property for the Nine Mile Road fire station.

DEFERRED INTRODUCTION OF:

- Zoning Request No. 15-8-89, west side of Drake Road between Thirteen and Fourteen Mile Roads from RA-1, One-Family Residential District to RA-2, One-Family Residential District.
- Zoning Request No. 17-4-89, north side of Eleron Mile Road, between Orchard Lake and Power Roads from RA-2, One-Family Residential District to OS-1, Office Service District.

Regular public hearing adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

TERRY SEVER, Mayor
KATHRYN A. DORNAN, City Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Farmington tax statements are payable December 1, 1989 through February 14, 1990. A 3% penalty will be added on February 15, 1990.

As of March 1, 1990 all 1989 taxes must be paid to C. Hugh Dohany, Oakland County Treasurer.

City hall offices will be open for payment of taxes 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday except on the following dates:

Monday, December 25, 1989
Tuesday, December 26, 1989
Monday, January 1, 1990
Tuesday, January 2, 1990

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PATSY CANTRELL
Treasurer

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