

Single pin decides duel

It happened one night in Westland: a new contest on the lanes, with one bowler matching the other strike for strike.

When the teams had finished, Chuck O'Rourke of Livonia had a 300 game, while at the same time his opponent, Larry Wayne Walters, scored a pin short of perfection with a 299, leaving only a 4 on his final shot.

This magic moment took place Thursday at Westland Bowl in the Thursday Night Ford Motor Men's League.

O'Rourke was only bowled by a sub that evening, but it turned out a year for which he has been bowling since 1950 and topping the 200 average level since 1981.

In previous years, the chances were there, but somewhere a stubborn pin would keep the perfect game teasingly just out of reach.

O'Rourke hit 300 in the first game of the night, so for the next two games he was riding on Cloud Nine and finished the day with a 735 series. Walters followed his 299 with 288 and 223 for an 810 series.

O'Rourke said he was just trying to keep up with Walters, strike after strike until the final frame, and having been there before, was just determined to make a good shot. He did just that.

In addition to the Ford Motor League, Chuck also competes in the Greenfield Mixed with his wife, Sandy, and the Lost Weekend at Merit Bowl.

"There was a high-water mark for a five-man team established last week at Drakelands Lanes in Farmington Hills.

The Red Robin Restaurant team bowled 3580 for three games (1249-1258-1272) in the Monday January 24th week at Drakelands Lanes. The team consists of Kerry Kraft (290/832), Russ Shaffer (299/742), Brian Ziemba (300/728), Doug Evans (279/721) and Tim Hill (243/665).

This is the highest team score so far this season for the Metro Detroit area, probably the entire state.

Actually, they had to bowl this well to beat their opponent, Deedes Industries Team. They fired a 3420 series in a losing cause with Dick Bentz at 737, Rick Cierman at 745 and Tim Hill at 727 and Trey Edwards 720.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Country Lanes (Farmington Hills) Wednesday Lanes: Dave Gammon, 212/229; Doreen McKelvey, 212/242; Sue Kaczmarek, 207/231.

Country Lanes: Bob Conroy, 244; Paul Hulse, 242; Tom Hulse, 242; Todd Ulrich, 233/230; Clarence Hulse, 232.

St. Paul Men's: ES Renner, 244/548; Floyd Dorn, 239; Greg Hulse, 239; Brian Hulse, 229/610; Chris Buckner, 237/240.

Greenfield: Matt Hulse, 239/240; Steve McKelvey, 244/548; Sue Hulse, 237/250; Tom McKelvey, 244/548; Shawn Smith, 218/215.

Advanced Youth (Harrison): John Eismann, 191; Don Hoover, 181/189; Brian Hulse, 207.

Spares & Strikes: Kevin Lander, 211; Carol Boyd, 211; Bruce Schwartz, 208; Matt Hulse, 207/210; 501 Sherry Gagne, 207.

Spares & Strikes: Mark Able, 237/250; Jeff Craig, 235/251; Greg Garsnick, 224/204; Steve Loefer, 224/204.

Wednesday Knights: 224/604; Steve Loefer, 224/604; Jeff Snyder, 224/604; Matt McKelvey, 244/548.

Five Star Bowlers: Dave Jacobson, 244/548; Tom Hulse, 244/548; Steve McKelvey, 244/548; Greg Hulse, 244/548; Mark Garsnick, 244/548.

Senior Vets: George Sore, 226; Bob Dorn, 223; Mike Hulse, 221/1007; Matt Hulse, 211; Pete Garsnick, 211.

Lane Lanes: 224/604; 234/576; John Hulse, 231; Matt McKelvey, 233/565; Jeff Hulse, 231; St. Paul Men's, 211.

Wednesday Mid Trio: Don Chambers, 300/700; Matt Hulse, 219; Doreen McKelvey, 206; The Dorn, 239/682; Robert Berkman, 230/717.

Tuesday Morning Ladies League: Betty Baker, 232/502; Carrie Jones, 232/512; Caprice Goff, 191.

Tuesday Morning: Andrew Hulse, 231/590; Doreen McKelvey, 191; Doreen McKelvey, 231/590; Doreen McKelvey, 191.

High School League: 244/548; Ron Sore, 242/712; Chris Dorn, 234; Lorne Jones, 232/508; Jerry Hulse, 232/508.

Youth League (Hills): Brandon Hansen, 181/170; Jason Gagne, 171; Doreen McKelvey, 171; Doreen McKelvey, 171; Doreen McKelvey, 171.

Youth (Hills): Matt Hulse, 164; Jerry Hulse, 150; Doug Gagne, 143; Scott Hulse, 140; Jerry Hulse, 140.

Youth (Hills): Jerry Hulse, 120; Matthew Hulse, 124; Melissa Hulse, 121.

Breaklands Lanes Ladies League: 217/204; Hulse, 217/204; Hulse, 217/204; Hulse, 217/204; Hulse, 217/204.

Women's 300: Don Chambers, 300; Russ Shaffer, 299; Matt Hulse, 299/742; Yvonne Hulse, 299/742; Yvonne Hulse, 299/742.

FARMINGTON SCHOOLS INVITATION TO BID

Farmington Public Schools will accept sealed bids for auditorium lighting and control system at Farmington High School until 1:30 P.M., Monday, April 4, 1994 at the Lewis Schuman Administration Center, 3150 Silwassee, Farmington, Michigan 48334, addressed to Beverly Hausman at which time they will be publicly opened and read for presentation to the Board of Education at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or to waive any informality therein or for reasons of establishing uniformity, to award the contract to other than the low bidder.

A bid bond for 5% of the bid must accompany the bid. Bid specifications and documents may be obtained from the purchasing department, 3150 Silwassee, Farmington, Michigan 48334, (810) 488-3344. Please call to verify availability.

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Mike Brusseau Redford CC
Steve Grom Churchill
Mark Holdridge Redford CC



Jon Heady Redford CC
Kevin Berger Stevenson
Dan Higham Churchill

Shamrocks place 3 on all-area team

BY STEVE KOWALSKI AND BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITERS

Redford Catholic Central's hockey team won a Class A state championship by showing strength in each line of attack.

Senior center Jon Heady was the state's most clutch player, scoring game-winning goals in the regional final and quarterfinal; junior Mark Holdridge was one of the most feared rushing threats among defense; and goalie Mike Brusseau made a habit of stopping opponents from point-blank range.

The trio, which carried the Shamrocks to an 8-1 win over Midland in the Class A state championship, and this year's All-Observer team.

Livonia Churchill, which placed second in the Suburban Prep Hockey League standings behind Stevenson, has two players on the first team: defenseman Steve Grom and forward Dan Higham.

The Coach of the Year is CC's Gordie St. John, who in his first year guided the Shamrocks to a 24-1-2 record.

St. John, who started the Detroit Country Day hockey program in 1961, won a Class B-C-D title in 1988 at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook and was an assistant coach for a few years in the mid to late 1980s at CC.

The Shamrocks rallied for a 2-1 victory in the regional final against Birmingham Brother Rice and a 2-1 win against Trenton in the quarterfinal. St. John's coaching experience also includes several years with midjet travel teams.

1994 ALL-OBSERVER HOCKEY TEAM

FIRST TEAM

G-Mike Brusseau, Redford CC
D-Steve Grom, Liv. Churchill
D-Mark Holdridge, Redford CC
F-Jon Heady, Redford CC
F-Kevin Berger, Liv. Stevenson
F-Dan Higham, Liv. Churchill

SECOND TEAM

G-Eric Rosenau, Liv. Stevenson
D-Kevin Peterson, Redford CC
D-Dave Elmer, Liv. Churchill
F-Jason Gustafson, Redford CC
F-Jeff Heider, Liv. Stevenson
F-Gino Gaudi, Liv. Stevenson

THIRD TEAM

G-Mark Feller, Liv. Churchill
D-Peter Stashevich, Liv. Franklin
D-Doug DeVinna, Liv. Churchill
F-Joe O'Connor, Redford CC
F-Jason Schemella, Liv. Churchill
F-Hyle Mitchell, Liv. Stevenson

COACH OF THE YEAR

Gordie St. John, Redford CC

HONORABLE MENTION

Catholic Central: Greg Vachon, Eric Vachon, Ken Lauer, Chris Gonzalez, Dan Hulse, Jeff Schaeffer, Chuck Blaz, Todd Kester, Stevenson; Jeff Blaz, Brian Cabot, Franklin; Matt Hargan, Dominic Cacciatore, Kevin Bernard.

"It was great fun," St. John said. "What people sometimes lose sight of is that when you have a team that was fairly physical, you use it the first two periods, then wear them down and come on strong in the third."

Mike Brusseau, goalie, Redford CC: Brusseau was a first-team choice as a sophomore in 1992 before sitting out last year to play for a travel club. He had a 1.35 goals against average with five shutouts. Brusseau allowed only 10 goals in six playoff games, five coming in a 7-6 win over East Kentwood in the semifinal.

Steve Grom, defenseman, Liv. Stevenson: The senior anchored the Chargers' blue line all season long, finishing with 16 goals and 42 assists for 42 points.

He was also voted to the All-Suburban High School Hockey League team. He was scheduled to play in the Michigan All-Star Game.

St. John said he was set up four goals and scored twice in an 8-2 victory against rival Stevenson. As a junior, he tallied the game-winning goal in a 2-1 win over Spartans.

St. John is an offensive defenseman. Churchill coach Jeff Heider said, "He dominated the neutral zone and was the quarterback of four breakouts."

Mark Holdridge, defenseman, Redford CC: Holdridge is one of the most feared rushing threats in high school hockey, his end-to-end rushes prove that. Displaying skills of a forward, Holdridge scored seven goals with 25 assists.

"Mark always wants to go with the puck," St. John said. "He got better every day, came on very strong. Sometimes, we'd have to remind him he's a defenseman but his defensive skills are very good, too."

Stingrays 3rd in state meet

Hannah Pawlewicz set two age-group records and scored 120 points to lead the Michigan Stingray Swim Association team to a third-place finish in the state championship meet March 6-7.

Competing in the girls 10-and-under division at Saginaw Valley State University, Pawlewicz, who was first in every event she entered, established meet records for the 50-yard freestyle and 100 individual medley.

"It was a very solid performance from a very talented swimmer," Stingrays assistant coach Dave Nack said. "Hannah has worked hard all year long and certainly has earned the recognition."

Erin also paced the 11-12 girls with five top 10 finishes in individual events, and Mike Marshall was the top scorer for the MSSA boys with a pair of top-eight finishes and two more in the top 16.

In addition, Ryan Wochomura was among the top eight in the boys 50 backstroke and 60 butterfly, and Amy McCullough placed third overall in the girls 10-and-under standings.

Others with top-16 swims included Danielle Ward, Jessica Canessa, Julie Kluck, Neva Alvan, Lindsey Fetters, Chelsea Logan, Katelyn Eustis, Tae-Kyung Kim, Rachel Ward and Jeanyan Schwartz.

In relay events, the all-Farmington Hills team of Spiro, Kluck, Canessa, Julie Kluck, Neva Alvan, Lindsey Fetters, Chelsea Logan, Katelyn Eustis, Tae-Kyung Kim, Rachel Ward and Jeanyan Schwartz.

The 10-and-under girls team of Pawlewicz, McCullough, Rachel Ward and Logan was the state champ in two relays the 200 freestyle and 200 medley, also with times worthy of national consideration.

Jackie Burke, Eustis, Kim and Lorides were third in the girls 10-and-under 200 freestyle and fourth in the 200 medley.

"The entire state team had an excellent performance," Nack said. "In addition, we are very proud of the sportsmanship and leadership our team displayed during the meet."

The Stingrays, who are affiliated with Michigan Swimming and the United States Swimming Association, practice Monday through Friday evenings at Harrison, North Farmington or Farmington high schools. Swimmers age 7 to 18 are welcome and should call 938-8723 for information on the program.

"There is no skill level required to begin swimming with the Stingrays," head coach Jeff Cooper said. "If a kid likes being in the water, we will teach them to swim and compete."

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A pre-bid meeting will be held at Fairview Early Childhood Center, 3150 Oak Creek, Farmington Hills, at 8:00 p.m., Thursday, March 24, 1994.

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