

# Roeper whips Lutheran North

By JIM BOCHENEK

During his high school basketball career at Bloomfield Hills Roeper High School, Cliff Russell has been constantly getting better — scoring more, playing fine defense and contributing to his team's overall play. Last Thursday night, Russell had his finest game of all.

In leading the Roughriders past Lutheran North 71-53 in the first round of the state Class D basketball tournament, Russell fired in 38 points, controlled the backboards with his rebounding and led his club down the court on the fast break.

"CLIFF HAS probably scored more points in a game but this was by far the best performance of his career," commented Roughrider Coach Sid Fox after the game. "Without Russell, we wouldn't have had a chance."

As it was, Roeper had enough trouble with Lutheran North even with Russell. The Roughriders led 18-17 after one quarter and still led by that single tally at the half as each club fired in 17 points in the second period.

"That first half was a typical first tournament game for both teams," said Fox. "We made a lot of errors, especially on defense, that helped Lutheran North stay close to us."



STEVE SCOTT

ROEGER tightened up its man-to-man, half-court defense in the second half and that, along with Russell's scoring, proved to be the difference.

Lutheran North could only score eight points in the third quarter and nine more in the final stanza while the Roughriders fired in 36 second half points.

Russell personally outscored North in the fourth period as he contributed 12 points. Fox alternated his star between the forward and center positions during the game as he tried to get Russell open for shots against North's sticky zone defense.

SENIOR FORWARD Steve Scott and senior guard Paul Anderberg scored nine and eight points respectively as they helped to share the Roeper scoring load.

Guard Steve Misch led Lutheran North with 16 points. Forward Bill Johns added 14 to his team's balanced scoring attack.

The win advanced the Roughriders to the district final game with Royal

Roeper (13) Cliff Russell 18-2-2-38; Eddie Brown 1-2-2-4; Steve Scott 4-4-4-16; John Gilmore 1-0-0-2; Paul Anderberg 4-0-0-8; Kevin Butts 2-0-0-4; George Lee 2-0-0-4; Tom 2-0-0-4.

Lutheran North (53) Robb Spaulding 2-0-0-8; Ron Spaulding 2-1-1-5; Bill Jones 1-1-1-3; Boop Madsen 1-0-0-2; Gary Basile 2-0-0-4; Mike Melander 0-2-0-2; Steve Walsh 7-7-7-16; Tim DeSano 1-0-0-2. Totals: 20-22-45.

Roeper: 18 17 12 24-71  
Lutheran North: 17 17 8 5-53

## Tough Shrine rips Cranbrook

By JOANNE SANDACZ

Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook lost out on its bid for a go at the Class B district finals by falling 78-45 to Royal Oak Shrine 78-45 in the semifinal round. Cranbrook had drawn a bye in the first round.

Shrine jumped to a 17-9 lead at the end of the first period and was in

command all the way. The Cranes never offered any serious threats.

CRANBROOK WAS hit with several technical fouls during the course of the game. The Cranes had difficulty in hitting the boards as the towering Knights thwarted countless attempts. Jeff Etterbeck contributed 11 points to the losing effort for Cranbrook while Shrine was led by Ray Turczyn with 17 and sophomore John Wangler with 15.

CRANBROOK COACH Dan Hazen pointed to the fouls called on the Cranes, resulting in 28 points for Shrine, as critical in the game.

Cranbrook also had two starters, John Hooper and Lyle Mosely, out of action.

"We were missing two senior starters," Hazen added. "They are two of our better rebounders."

BESIDES MOSELY and Hooper, Hazen will be grateful Vic Douglas, John McVey, Larry Richardson and Herb White. Hazen has four or five promising juniors returning next year, who will be aided by two upcoming sophomores from the junior varsity team.

Cranbrook finished the season with a 5-15 record. Shrine stood at 15-5 after Wednesday's game. The Knights had won four straight Class B district championships entering Friday's finals against Ulica Ford.

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CRANBROOK (45) Craig Doby 1-0-0-8; Vic Douglas 2-0-0-2; Jerry Forest 1-0-0-2; Jeff Etterbeck 2-0-0-4; Tom Harbeck 0-0-0-1; Brian Nutter 2-0-0-2; John McVey 1-0-0-2; Larry Richardson 2-0-0-2; Steve Wessman 0-1-0-1; Herb White 2-0-0-4. Totals: 10-21-23-45.

ROYAL OAK SHRINE (78) Gene Roeper 2-1-0-5; John Wangler 5-5-7-18; John Scott 2-7-8-11; Al Yee 1-0-0-2; Ray Turczyn 6-5-7-17; Ray Cramer 2-3-4-8; Chris Lyley 2-0-0-4; Dennis Walsh 2-2-4-8; Dan Walsh 1-0-0-2; Chuck Smith 2-4-4-10; Alan Akers 0-0-0-2; Chris Card 0-1-1-1; Tom Flory 0-0-0-0; Tom Paul Tremain 0-0-0-0. Totals: 35-28-37-78.

Cranbrook: 9 11 12 11-45  
Shrine: 17 21 22 18-78

## 3rd place for Rice in meet

After finishing second with a 6-1 record in the conference dual meet standings, the Birmingham Brother Rice Warriors burned in third during the combined Catholic League Swimming and Diving Championships this past weekend at Oakland University.

Detroit Catholic Central the dual meet titlist, outdistanced Rice and runner-up University of Detroit High to take the championship crown.

Rice's best showing came in the diving event which the Warriors swept the top three places.

Senior Joe Caverly posted a new school and league diving total, 399.2 points. Freshman Bart Connors and junior Bill McHugh, respectively, took the next two spots for the Warriors.

All three divers are next slated to compete in the regional phase of the state prep swimming tourney this coming weekend.

## Pistons play benefit game

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