

In The Pocket



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No better proof that "home" lanes make a difference in bowling averages can be had than the latest statistics of the areas' two top men's circuits—the Bonanza Classic and the Bonanza Traveling Classic.

The former bonza each Thursday evening at Orchard Lanes and boasts 56 members with averages above 200.

A majority of the same bowlers compete in the Traveling section of the league and can boast only seven above double century figures.

There is a vast difference in the individual averages list in the "home" section.

Thurston swimmers down Glenn

Bedford Thurston swimmers finished one-two-three in both the 100-yard backstroke and 100-yard breaststroke near the tail end of the preceding last week in a sure 92.40 victory over Northward Suburban rival Westland John Glenn.

The Eagles had two double winners during the meet—Kurt Kovach who took the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard butterfly, and Dan Koblmaier who captured the individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke.

While the Rockets had no individual double winners, Tom Sakany bested the field in the 200-yard freestyle in addition to swimming a leg of Glenn's six-person freestyle relay team.

- RESULTS**
- 200-yard medley relay—1. Thurston Eric Smith, Larry Janek, Dave Furmanski and Tom Franconi; 2. Thurston J. Glenn; 3. J.
- 100-yard freestyle—1. Bill Curmote; 2. Jeff Curmote; 3. Glen Linderman; 4. 57.4.
- 100-yard individual medley—1. Dan Koblmaier; 2. Tom Sakany; 3. Scott Dishow; 4. 2:18.2.
- 50-yard freestyle—1. Kurt Kovach; 2. Greg Paworuk; 3. Tom Franconi; 4. 21.1.
- Diving—1. Chris Erenheim; 2. Jay Pendar; 3. Ed Marshall; 4. 213 points.
- 100-yard butterfly—1. Kurt Kovach; 2. Scott Dishow; 3. Dave Furmanski; 4. 56.4.
- 100-yard freestyle—1. Greg Paworuk; 2. Kevin Huark; 3. Ed Marsh; 4. 56.7.
- 500-yard freestyle—1. Tom Sakany; 2. Jeff Curmote; 3. Greg Linderman; 4. 5:46.2.
- 100-yard backstroke—1. John Baken; 2. Kirk Biberian; 3. Eric Smith; 4. 1:04.9.
- 100-yard breaststroke—1. Dan Koblmaier; 2. Ken Jenrow; 3. Larry Janek; 4. 1:08.5.
- 100-yard freestyle relay—1. Glenn Kevin Huark, Scott Dishow, Jeff Curmote and Tom Sakany; 2. Glenn J. Thurston; 3. 5:18.

Skaters show ice speed at competition

One hundred ten skaters up to 15 taking a cue from the Olympic competition at Innsbruck, Austria, participated recently in the 5th Western Speed Skating Meet sponsored by the Westland Parks and Recreation Department.

The contestants grouped according to sex and age, skated around the Westland arena over distances ranging from 50 yards to a quarter mile.

The top two finishers of each classification were:

Boys: Danon Lewis, first; Kevin Mullen, second; boys seven and under, and Ellen Derowski, first; and Mira Reddy, second; girls seven and under.

Boys: Darren Mills and Ron Bialak, first and second, respectively, in the boys eight and nine competition; and Jody Wildman and Beth Van Patten, first and second, in girls.

Boys: Don Koblmaier, first; Wayne Hardy, second; boys 10-11, and Debbie Lobb, first; and Sandy Cochrum, second; girls 10-11.

Boys: Larry Torres and Bill Jones, first and second, respectively, in the boys 12-13; and Cathy Van Patten and Chris Naddick, first and second, in the 12-13 girls.

Boys: Andy Pucci, first; and Bryant Pjanowski, second; boys 14-15, and Kevin Schrader, first; and Hadka Thruak, second, in the girls 14-15 competition.

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Ted Bakatelos, who does a lot of his bowling at Westland Bowl, is at the top of the list with a 222 average in 57 games and drops to 200 in the Traveling section.

Another case is that of Mike Samardzja who is second in the "home" loop with 217 and fourth in the traveling group with 204.

IT DOESN'T HAPPEN very often, but there was a tie for top scoring honors in the Westland Classic when Jack Foddes and Maurice Quinlan each posted a 400 series. Foddes finished with games of 245 and 247 while Quinlan caught him with a 250 finish.

George Barbara's Wonderland team set the pace by lining games of 1034, 1043 and 1110 for 3187.

In the ladies senior league Jane Martin was the lone bowler to better double century figures she fired a 402.

MARGARET VAN NESS had one of her best nights in the ladies senior league at Garden Lanes while posting a 307 series to lead the pack behind her classmate Linda White with 304 and Jack Purcho was third with 303.

Meanwhile, the Racers team in the Venco league that carries an 807 average went wild with a 1102 game. Larry Scapp Jr. paced the team with 308 while Richard Schermerau added a 215. John Palmer followed with 211. Larry Napp Sr. had a 204 and Leonard Eland also posted a 204.

THE LAIHES had another good day in the St. Theodore mixed league at Westland Bowl. Ginger Hunk was the big gun with a 223 in 40 and Grace Martini had a 212 in 50.

On the men's side, Ike Greenwald had

high series with 413 and Irem Randolph fired a 240 for high single.

THE METROPOLITAN AREA is well represented on the WTRC national honor roll.

In the figures just released the Motown team is third highest in the country with a 1081 game and the Jac Ro combination is eighth with a 1002. Jac Ro also is in sixth place in the team series with a 3028 that was rolled in the Bowlerettes.

WITH THE DECISION of the Ladies Major League's oldest of the women's all-star leagues to vacate from Free Bowl to Lakemore Lanes next season, the West side now is left without an all star team circuit.

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