In The Pocket

By W.W. EDGAR

If composite averages were kept on all the women bowlers in the western suburbs, it is likely that you'd find the name of Mary Mohacsi, of Livonia, at the top of the list.

Though it has been about a dozen years since she won the honor of being the Detroit Bowling Queen for the first time, she still is going strong.

Proof of this was shown again in the Little Caesar's league at Westland Bowl last Friday night when she fired a 615 series to pace the women. Her series jumped her average to 190 and there are few woven bowlers anywhere averaging any better than that.

While Mary was boosting her average and piled up a 10-pin margin on Marge Kropacek, a lot of the attention was focused on Dan Emmett and for a good reason.

He linked games of 204, 253 and 244 for a 701. It was the first 700 series in several weeks in the circuit.

With his big count, Emmett beat out Carl Christensen who had a middle game of 246 in a 657 series. John Wodarski was next in line with a big 267 game—the highest of the night.

THERE WAS JOY in the Hamlin household in Farmington and it was just not because it is the Yule season.

The joy was unconfined because Steve, youngest of the Hamlin boys had his first 600 series. He rolled a 602 that included a 235 game.

In the Junior Chamber of Commerce mixed league, ike Pacahota was the top man with a 675.

JACK DAVIS had things to himself in the Moose League at Garden Lanes when he rolled a 641 for a 35-pin edge on Jess Milndez.

In the St. Linus league, Ed Kujawa set the pace with a 615 series.

PEGGY ANDERSON had real reason to enjoy the coming of the yuletide. Though she carries a 138 average

at Merri-Bowl she rolled a 244 game. The rarified atmosphere was too much and she slumped to 135 and 112 for 491.

In the Schoolcraft League, Dee Miller, who carries a 144 average, found the pocket for a 247.

Scoring was on the upbeat at Woodland Lanes where Mike Smart, who carries a 185 average, rolled games of 201, 222 and 185 to pace the senior house league with a 646. High game for the night went to Thomas Brown with a 259—and he is a 179 bowler.

Among the Early Birds, Fran Thomas, with a 143 average fashioned a 211 and Catherine Crawford, with a 145 average, had a 203 in 509. In the Guys and Dolls league, Lucy Abraham, with a 127 average, hit the pins for a 208 count.

In the junior league, Robert Trowans, with a 150 average, rolled a 236 in 552 and Brad Zalewski, with a 119 average, had a 175 in 500. Dan Siva, with a 129, turned in a 489 and Kathy Moan, with an 85 average, posted a 410.

Among the 12-year-olds, Paul Juodowlkes, with a 95 average, hit a 400 and Lew Jarkas, with a 63 average, had gamesd of 96, 79 and 113 for 290.

AFTER MISSING OUT in the first two games Betty Markwardt came back to win the third with 184-33—217 and the series with 512-99—615.

In the hther games, Marion Heath took the first with 183-31—214 and Dot Fulton captured the second with 211-31—242

Ohio prep swimming team wins Athens Relays

By MARTY BUDNER

Upper Arlington High School's swim team had an enjoyable 190-mile trip back to Columbus, Ohio after winning the first annual Athens High School-Troy Optomists Club-Observer & Eccentric Swim Relays Saturday.

The Golden Bears won two events, and placed no lower than fourth in all nine relays in an afternoon of competitive swimming at the Athens pool. After the times had been posted, four state records had been broken.

Arlington finished with 232 points, followed by Birmingham Groves with 208. Riley High School, from South Bend, Ind., and Ann Arbor Pioneer finished in a tie for fourth with 172 points.

The other local teams who participated were Bloomfield Hills Andover, which finished with 164 points, host Athens and Bloomfield Hills Lahser, which finished ninth and tenth respectively. Schools completiting the 10-team field included Ann Arbor Huron, Grand Blanc and Dearborn Edsel Ford.

Groves tied for the lead after the second event, and stayed on top until the crescendo relay. Arlington won the crescendo—while Groves failed to qualify—and held off the Falcons' late challenge to win the four-foot high traveling trophy.

THE OHIO SCHOOOL demonstrated superior balance and depth by recording three second places, one third place and three fourth places. Arlington even swam to a Michigan state record in the crescendo relay with a time of 4:50.58.

"We had no idea what to expect when we decided to come to these relays," said Arlington coach Todd Grant, who has been the Golden Bear coach for 10 years. "We knew about the Ann Arbor teams (Huron and Pioneer), but we didn't know about the others at all.

"We had heard a lot about the caliber of Michigan swimming, and we knew it would be a challenge for us to come here. It's still early in the swim season for us, and some of our swimmers didn't have their best times, but we swam well.

"Winning certainly makes the long drive up here worthwhile," he said. "I thought the whole meet was a success, and we're already looking forward to defending our title next year."

The swim relays were highlighted by the appearance of the two out-of-state teams—South Bend Riley and Arlington—but it also featured some of Michigan's best swimmers. Pioneer—last year's state champions—and Huron are highly respected squads, and Groves and Andover proved that they are top-notch teams.

Groves, which scored in eight of the nine events, was the only team to win three times—setting records in both the 200 freestyle relay (1:29.873) and 800 freestyle (7:24.4). The Falcons other victory was in the backstroke relay.

The victorious freestyle swimmers included Steve Schmidt, Karl Heck, Scott Tyler and Dave Erickson in both the 200- and 800-yard freestyles. The winning backstroke combination was composed of Doug Agarwal, Dave MacDonald, Dave Thorson and John Mittenthal.

ANDOVER BARONS rallied in the second half of the finals, and was lodged in third place going into the last event. However, the Barons didn't qualify for the ninth relay (400 freestyle) and, because of the close scores, dropped to sixth.

"We have a lot of new swimmers on our team," said Andover coach Mike Lane, whose team was only eight points out of third place. "We were disqualified in the crescendo relay, and that hurt, but it was a learning experience for everyone.

"I knew it was going to be tough to place, and we just didn't have enough team depth," he said. "The kids that I expected to do well did a good job, and the whole team had a good performance."

Relay results

ATHENS RELAYS SUMMARY

Team Scores: 1. Upper Arlington (Ohio), 232; 2. Birmingham Groves; 3. (tie) Ann Arbor Pioneer, South Bend Riley (Indiana), 172; 5. Ann Arbor Huron, 168; 6. Bloomfield Hills Andover, 164; 7. Grand Blanc, 134; 8. Dearborn Edsel Ford, 132; 9. Troy Athens, 116; 10. Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 64.

RELAYS SUMMARIES

400 medley relay: Pioneer (Fancy, Peters, Sugus, Appenzeller) 2. Arlington 3. Riley 4. Huron 5. Andover 6. Groves 3:48.862

800 freestyle relay: Groves (Schmidt, Heck, Tyler, Erickson) 2. Riley 3. Huron 4. Arlington 5. Andover 6. Pioneer 7:24.4

200 backstroke relay: Groves (Agarwal, MacDonald, Thorson, Mittenthal) 2. Arlington 3. Athens 4. Huron 5. Edsel Ford 6. Andover 1:50.212

550 crescendo relay: Arlington (Timmons, Kidwell, Wolfe, Palmer) 2. Huron 3. Pioneer 4. Riley 5. Lahser 6. Grand Blanc 4:50.58

200 butterfly relay: Andover (Ferguson, Dittus, Reed, Kleber) 2. Grand Blanc 3. Arlington 4. Groves 5. Edsel Ford 6. Huron 1:42.75

400 individual medley relay: Andover (Ferguson, Ottati, Kleber, Thieleke) 2. Pioneer 3. Riley 4. Arlington 5. Athens 6. Groves 3:56.988

200 freestyle relay: Groves (Erickson, Heck, Tyler, Schmidt) 2. Arlington 3. Grand Blanc 4. Edsel Ford 5. Athens 6. Pioneer 1:29.873

200 breaststroke relay: Pioneer (Maulbetsch, Thomas, McKeon, Delterder) 2. Riley, 3. Andover 4. Arlington 5. Groves 6. Huron 2:01.888

400 freestyle relay: Arlington (Felton, Wolf, Palmer, Noble) 2. Pioneer 3. Huron 4. Riley 5. Groves 6. Lahser 3:20.17

Falcon wrestlers take 3rd in meet

Farmington High had three wrestlers involved in championship bouts and finished third in the 32-school field at the Oakland County Invitational wrestling tournament lavt weekend at Oakland University.

Coach Barry Walsh's Farmington team scored 118 points, 27½ fewer than first place-Hazel Park High. Detroit Catholic Central finished second with 130½.

Farmington's Scott Hazel won the heavyweight title, pinning Al Green of Walled Lake Western in 2:53 in the finals. In the 119-pound class, Farmington's Randy Stern dropped a 6-3 decision to West Bloomfield's Mike Williams.

OAKLAND COUNTY WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Team Standings

1. Hazel Park 146½; 2. Detroit Catholic Central 130½; 3. Farmington 118; 4. Warren Lincoln 98; 5. Rochester 93; 6. Farmington Harrison 86½; 7. Clarkston 84½; 8. Pontiac Central 67½; 9. North Farmington 66½; 10. Walled Lake Western 66; 12 West Bloomfield 62½; 17. Birmingham Groves 53½; 20 Avondale 44; 21. Bloomfield Hills Lahser 36; 23. Birmingham Seaholm 31½; 24. Walled Lake Central 31; 28. Rochester Adams 16; 30. Bloomfield Hills Andover 6.

Championship Matches

98—Martin Moran (Catholic Central) decisioned John Fisher (Rochester) 2-1 (overtime); 105—Kevin Suetterlin (Farmington Harrison) decisioned Fallon (Lake Orion) 5-0 (overtime); 112—Pat Williams (West Bloomfield) decisioned John Craig (Hazel Park) 6-2; 119—Mike Williams (West Bloomfield) decisioned Randy Stern (Farmington) 6-3; 126—Dave Reed (Birmingham Groves) won by default over Jeff Bernia (Farmington Harrison); 132—Joe Craig (Hazel Park) decisioned Brad Griggs (Clarkston) 8-1

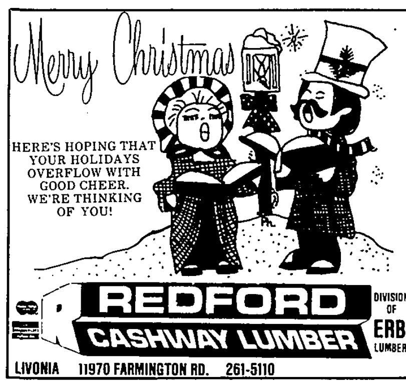
138—Lex Roy (Catholic Central) decisioned Bill Terry (Hazel Park) 6-2; 145—Randy Meyers (Madison) won by forfeit over Scott Stricker (Pontiac Catholic); 155—Nemir Nadhir (Catholic Central) pinned Tim Detkowski (Clarkston) 4:23; 165—Jim Sudkamp (North Farmington) decisioned Mike Runyan (Clawson) 5-4; 178—Chris Reeves (Ferndale) decisioned Fred Blackmer (Farmington Harrison) 6-5; 191—Karl Sokoll (Waterford Mott) decisioned Skip McAdams (Pontiac Central) 3-2; HVW—Scott Hazen (Farmington) pinned Al Green (Walled Lake Western) 2:53.

Consolation Matches

98—Ron Stern (Farmington) decisioned Rick McIntosh (Hazel Park) 19-0; 105—Curtis Green (Pontiac Central) decisioned Jim Dahlberg (Royal Oak Kimball) 6-4; 112—Kurt McPherson (Detroit Catholic Central) decisioned Ron Pribe (Pontiac Catholic Central) 3-1; 119—Dan Logan (Pontiac Northern) decisioned Ron Heard (Clarkston) 7-1; 126—Rick Meyer (Warren Lincoln) decisioned Gary Christy (Pontiac Central) 6-2; 132—Brad Sevald (Royal Oak Kimball) pinned Lew Milani (Farmington) 2:50.

138—Joe Jones (Lake Orion) decisioned Mark Marley (Birmingham Seaholm) 4-0; 145—Carey Vanderhagen (Hazel Park) decisioned Ron Perry (Warren Lincoln) 8-1; 155—Todd Novak (Warren Lincoln) decisioned Tom Kennedy (Birmingham Groves) 7-0; 165—Dan Lemaster (Walled Lake Central) decisioned Steve Hill (Bloomfield Hills Lahser) 4-0; 178—Randy Brown (Walled Lake Western) decisioned John Parker (Clawson) 3-2; 191—Rick Matkin (Hazel Park) pinned Steve Dagain (Madison) 1:56; HVW—Vanghelwe (Warren Lincoln) pinned Steve Swann (Rochester) 2:57.

Wrestling at 112 pounds, Jeff Omans of Rochester Adams (left) tangles with Farmington's Terry Brown. (Staff photo by Doug Bauman)



Country Day wrestlers finish 2nd in tourney

DETROIT COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL finished second in the 10-team Novi Wrestling Invitational Tournamen t, held Saturday at Novi.

Host school Novi was the runaway winner with 170 team points. Country Day's Yellow Jackets were second with 120½ points. Dearborn followed with 115 points in third place.

Two Country Day wrestlers, Mark Zobl and Larry Webb, won championships. Zobl took home top honors in the 155-pound weight class with three victories by decision.

Webb, who was the undefeated Class D champ last year and has yet to lose this season, won the 112-pound title with two pins and one decision.

Mark Weiner (105) and Paul Clark (126) were both second at the tourney. Clark had three pins before dropping a 4-2 decision in the finals.

Three Yellow Jacket grapplers placed third. They were: Mark Riley (98), Glen Clark (119) and Ed Valentine (138).

Country Day coach John Campbell said his grapplers have improved their performance each week, after a slow start in their own invitational tournament three weeks ago.

Country Day will resume action Jan. 3 with a dual meet at Pontiac Catholic.

NOVI WRESTLING INVITATIONAL

Team Standings

1. Novi 170; 2. Country Day 120½; 3. Dearborn 115; 4. Dearborn Heights Robichard 93½; 5. Southgate Aquinas 78; 6. Hartland Monroe Jefferson 71; 7. Northville 67; 8. Oak Park 64; 9. Taylor Center.

Championship Matches

98—Jim Longhurst (Novi) decisioned Davis (Robichard) 2-0; 105—McCarty (Novi) pinned Weiner (Country Day); 112—Webb (Country Day) decisioned Lurvey (Northville) 7-1; 119—Portis (Southgate Aquinas) pinned Miller (Monroe Jefferson); 126—Mills (Novi) decisioned Clark (Country Day) 4-2 132—Maler (Novi) decisioned Brady (Dearborn) 8-4.

138—Ceckiewicz (Robichard) pinned Anton (Novi); 145—Rembowski (Monroe Jefferson) pinned Doyle (Novi); 155—Zobl (Country Day) decisioned Robinson (Oak Park) 5-1 (overtime); 165—Payne (Robichard) pinned Weber (Novi); 178—Garcia (Southgate Aquinas) pinned Pinfeld (Dearborn); 191—Kaznowski (Dearborn) pinned Soggs (Hartland); HVW—Sodor (Dearborn) decisioned Yauck (Robichard) 9-7.