Former coaching greats travel long ways for game

There was a twinkle in the eye of former Observerland coaching stalwarts Pete Scerri (Livonia Stevenson) and Ken Johnson (Plymouth Salem), who renewed

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Between them, the two rotirees have won six state championships and had five run-ner-up finishes.

Johnson, who led the Rocks to the 1996 boys title, made the trek all the way from Ormond Beach, Fla. (just north of Daytona) and his Red Team didn't disappoint, scoring a 4-2 win in an entertaining match featuring many of the state's top seniors.

And life couldn't be much better for the former Salem coach, who led the Rocks to the 1996 Class A boys crown and then headed for the sunshine state (last March) after putting in 30 years as an electrical maintenance leader at Detroit Diesel.

"I'm gardening, riding a bike and swim in the ocean every ddy," Johnson said. "I'm up at 6 and riding my trall bike, I can feel the ocean breeze. I've gone from 174 pounds to 153. I bought a satellite dish, I watch all the sports. My wife and J just leve it. It's something we've always wanted to do."

Johnson, a native of Middleaborough, England, began working on a 14-year-old at Imperial

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Chemical, Inc. before moving to Calgary, Alborta, to live with his sister and take a job with the Canadian Pacific Airway. He eventually moved here to work at Diesel and began caaching an under-11 club team back in 1975.

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The only boys and girls coach Salem ever had, Johnson led the boys to one state title and a pair of runner-up finishes. His girls took one title and finished second in another.

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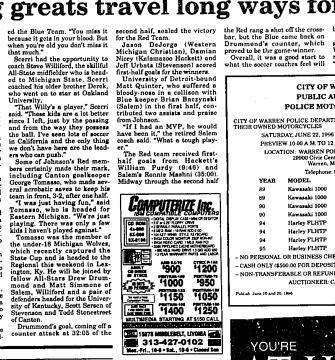
"Storit, who retired from Ford Motor Co. after 33 years as a claims inspector, moved two years ago to San Marces, Calif. (near San Diego) to be closer to his son.

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He also enjoys the warm weather and ventures occasionally to nearby Chula Vista to check out the U.S. National Team's training complex.

But the 67-year-old Scerri, who is just completing three months of chemotherapy after a bout with cancer, was happy to back on the sidelines, but only for one game.

There's no pressure in a game like this," said Scerri, who guid-



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be an annual affair.

"Hopefully we can keep this going." said Stevenson coach Walt Barrett, who replaced Sorri as the Spartans' coach in 1984.
"It was a nice night to play, too."

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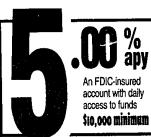


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adjustments to make, however, since there was no practice prior

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You don't know how fast they are, what they're going to do,"
Hoff said. "You just guess."
The game was fun for most, painful for Dearborn Edsel Ford's Heather Nelson, who had to apply an ice pack to her nose after being hit by an errant ball.
"Im trying for the hockey player look," Nelson joked with her teammates on the beach.

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Hoff also left the game sore,

nursing her left ankle.

"I had my right ankle toped all year," ahe said. "I injured my left ankle during the game."

Warnke will attend Wayne State University on a basketball scholarship but says she hasn't played her land soccer game.

"I love it too much not to play it anymore, "Warnke said."

Other Observer and Eccentric players in the game included Lake Orion's Penny Richards, Birmingham Scanoline Jeonifer Timlin and Livonia Stevenson's

Mamie Vanderburgh, who were on the Navy Team; and Detroit Country Day's Pamela Bierrynski, Lake Orion's Kristi Elliott, Livonia Stevenson's Angela Pandoff, Troy Athens' Shannon Stevers, Plymouth Canton's Becky Vachow and Livonia Churchill's Kerri Verardi on the White Team.
Livonia Franklin's Liea Deshano was named to the Navi Team but unable to play because of an injury.

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