

Cranes skate to 'B' crown

BY MARTY BUDNER
STAFF WRITER

There have been some vintage high school hockey teams at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood High School over the years.

Ted Kelley's squads from the early 80s were dominant and won four state Class B championships. The Cranes captured back-to-back state titles in the late 80s under three different coaches — Kelley (1988), Jonathan Small (1987) and Gordon St. John (1988). Danie May's 1991 squad won a classic 5-4 two-overtime game over Calumet to win a state championship.

This year's squad wasn't supposed to have one of those vintage seasons.

But it did.

The 1996-97 Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood Cranes added another unique chapter to its prolific hockey history over the weekend at the state finals in Flint.

Cranbrook Kingswood won a spirited double-overtime game in the semifinals Friday over No. 1-ranked Houghton, 3-2. On Saturday, the Cranes swooped to the eighth state championship in their storied history with a methodical 4-1 triumph over Allen Park Cabrini.

It was a glorious, albeit highly unexpected, ending to a season that head coach Andy Weidenbach truly thought would be a rebuilding year.

Cranbrook Kingswood lost 11 players from last year's talented squad that reached the state championship game, only to lose in a heartbreaker by one goal (2-1) to Calumet.

"I didn't think there was any way we could win this year," he said. "I didn't even think we'd be close. I thought we had a much better team last year. I thought we had more depth up front and we had more scoring power and we had some high-profile players like Raffi Kalajian who was outstanding. We had some solid defensemen."

"So, I thought last year was

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going to be our year. When we came into this year we thought if we could just have a respectable season and build for next year, then we'd be in regional play, then we'd take some of that good confidence into next season.

"But, once things started rolling it became obvious that we had a legitimate shot at getting down to the Final Four," he said. "We really didn't expect it."

The Cranes, trying to fit all the new players together, didn't get off to a real strong start, going just 4-2-3 in their first nine games. However, all those games turned into losses when they were forced to forfeit them because of an ineligible player.

"We definitely had to overcome some obstacles this year," said Weidenbach. "It was a real character-building season."

Weidenbach said, however, the forfeits didn't have an adverse effect on the team.

"The forfeits really didn't have as much impact on our team as you'd think," he said. "We don't play in a league; we don't play in a conference, so there's no conference title at stake. It's basically an independent schedule."

"We knew we won the games, and we knew which ones we won and lost," he said. "The other teams we played knew what kind of team we had. Basically, there wasn't as much impact as some people might think."

Things started to come together after the Christmas break. Weidenbach worked his young squad through some grueling practices and the results started to pay immediate dividends.

Cranbrook Kingswood won a home-and-home series with Grand Rapids Catholic Central by a combined 9-1 score. The Cranes then went 6-1-1 after that to finish out the season, but the games were against some strong competition and Weidenbach was satisfied with the team's mental and physical con-

ditioning heading into the playoffs.

"When we came back from Christmas break we started working real hard in practice," he said. "We set a goal of being the tempo and the pace of our game play. I think it really paid off, especially near the end (of the playoff tournament) when you have to play three games in four nights."

"I thought all through the playoffs that our conditioning was superb," he said. "And most of our playoff games were won in the third period."

Cranbrook Kingswood started post-season play with an easy 7-0 victory over Harper Woods Notre Dame. The Cranes then won the regional title over Bloomfield Hills Andover and the state quarterfinal game over Orchard Lake St. Mary's with strong third periods.

The Cranes went on to defeat Houghton and Cabrini to take the title.

In the championship game, played before 2,000 spectators at the IMA Arena in Flint, sophomore Dustin Kim started the scoring with a first-period goal from a sharp angle that deflected past Cabrini goalie R.J. Gronemeyer. Sophomore Rick Clark scored in the second period and the Cranes tied the title with third-period tallies from senior Dan Jacobs and freshman Jason Hong.

Brandon Marlan made 18 saves in goal for the Cranes, who finished the year with a 12-14-1 record.

The future looks bright for the Cranes, who have just six seniors on their roster.

"The future does look good, but you never know," said Weidenbach. "But we really don't know what we're going to have until September, and, in fact, I don't really even see the guys until the end of October."

"So, every year is a surprise. This year just happened to be a pleasant one," he said.

Adams tankers settle for 7th

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There was still a little doubt. There was pressure. There were 'unfair expectations'.

Brother Rice swim coach Ron Richards said his Warriors overcame all those obstacles with a true team effort to capture its fourth consecutive Class A state swim championship Saturday at the University of Michigan.

The Warriors, overwhelming favorites, registered 243 points and defeated runners-up Ann Arbor Pioneer by 54 points. Brother Rice defeated Pioneer by 102 points last season.

Birmingham Groves was third this year with 109 points, followed by Grand Blanc (101) and Birmingham Seaholm (99.5). Rochester Adams was seventh, Bloomfield Hills Lahser 12th and Troy tied for 15th.

"It's not that we did worse. It's just that Ann Arbor Pioneer swam very well," said Richards. "A lot of people expected us to blow people out of the water — well, that's not fair."

"There's always doubt when you go to the state finals. It's hard being at the top for so long, although I'm not complaining," he said. "But there's pressure that goes along with it. Our team managed to overcome that."

Richards said one of his team's main goals was to break national records in the 200-yard medley relay and the 200-yard freestyle relay. The Warriors did not accomplish those goals, but still managed to swim the nation's fastest times in those events.

The medley relay team of Matt Parrish, Nick Duda, Mario Scussell and Karl Pawlewicz won with a state record time of 1:31.94. The national NR record is 1:31.10. The same four swimmers combined to take the 200-free

relay in 1:23.25 (the national record is 1:22.70).

"We just missed the national records, but they still were the fastest times in the nation and that's nothing to sneeze at," said Richards.

Seven different swimmers scored points for Rice in individual events.

In the 200-yard freestyle, Scussell was first, Matt Kowalski seventh and Jeff Moors eighth. In the 100-breast, Pawlewicz was second, Duda third and Brett Holcomb sixth.

Rice's other individual champions were Pawlewicz (50-free), Parrish (100-free) and Scussell (100-free with a state record time of 45.26).

"The thing that was really nice is that this group — more than any other year — was so focused on succeeding as a team and not as individuals," said Richards. "They didn't care how they did individually. They just cared about how they did as a team."

"It was a team about sacrificing. Mario Scussell and Matt Parrish swam in the relays to set those records and that kind of hurt them individually, I think. But that didn't matter to them."

"They wanted the relay records and that's what mattered to them," he said. "They thought they had a shot at it and were willing to sacrifice themselves personally. That says a lot about the team effort."

Seaholm's Bill Sargent and Groves' Joel Wallace were fifth and sixth, respectively, in the 50-free. Wallace placed fourth in the 100-free and Sargent took third in the 100-back.

In the 100-fly, Levi Larsen of Adams was second, Tom O'Neill of Troy was fifth and Matt Wallace of Seaholm was sixth. Jim Kanak of Groves was fourth in the 100-breaststroke.

West Bloomfield's Jamie Hertz placed fifth in diving.



ORDINANCE NO. 200-88

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 200, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS, AND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, TO REZONE THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN FROM R-4 (ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO SP (SPECIAL PURPOSE) AND TO PRESCRIBE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS ORDAINS:

Section 1. The zoning classification of the following described property shall be amended as follows:

2.296 acres zoned from R-4 (One Family Residential) to SP (Special Purpose).

SITE DESCRIPTION:

PARCEL NO. 15-10-226-019
North Main
All that part of the Northeast 1/4 of section 10, T3N, R11E, Rochester Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, as described as commencing at the point on the East line of said Section 10, 200 feet South of the West line of said Section 10; thence North 89° 10' 00" West 2,532 feet to the North and South 1/2 line of said Section 10; thence South 00° 40' 00" East 316 feet; thence North 89° 10' 00" East 2,057.7 feet to the West line of private road described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East section line, which point is the Northwest corner of Hillcrest No. 2, a subdivision of part of Section 11, thence North 00° 27' 00" East on the section line 12.67 feet; thence North 88° 54' 40" West 384.47 feet; thence North 01° 18' 20" East 19 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence North 88° 54' 40" West 183.3 feet; thence North 01° 18' 20" East 185 feet to the point of beginning. Also the right of way for road purposes over the following described easement: Beginning at a point on the East section line, which point is North 00° 27' 00" East 12.67 feet from the Northwest corner of Hillcrest No. 2, a subdivision of part of Section 11, thence North 88° 54' 40" West 567.7 feet; thence North 01° 18' 20" East 19 feet to the Southeast corner of said parcel; thence South 88° 54' 40" East 248.19 feet to the East section line; thence South 00° 27' 00" West 19 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL NO. 15-10-226-020
1417 North Lane
Part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 10, T3N, R11E, Rochester Hills, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East section line, which point is the Northwest corner of Hillcrest No. 2, a subdivision of part of Section 11; thence North 00° 27' 00" East on the section line 12.67 feet; thence North 88° 54' 40" West 384.47 feet; thence North 01° 18' 20" East 185 feet to the point of beginning. Also the right of way for road purposes over the following described easement: Beginning at a point on the East section line, which point is North 00° 27' 00" East 12.67 feet from the Northwest corner of Hillcrest No. 2, a subdivision of part of Section 11, thence North 88° 54' 40" West 567.7 feet; thence North 01° 18' 20" East 19 feet to the Southeast corner of the above described parcel; thence South 88° 54' 40" East 248.19 feet to the East section line; thence South 00° 27' 00" West 19 feet to the point of beginning.

Section 2. Section 5.01, Boundaries, and the Zoning Map attached to Zoning Ordinance No. 200, shall be amended to depict the amendment to the zoning classification for the property described herein from R-4, One Family Residential to SP, Special Purpose.

Section 5. Severability. This ordinance and each article, section, subsection, part or portion thereof are hereby declared to be severable, and if any or any of them are declared to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Penalty. All violations of this ordinance shall be misdemeanors and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable by a sentence of not more than ninety (90) days of confinement to jail or by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or both in the discretion of the court.

Section 6. Repeal, Effective Date and Adoption.

(1) Repeal. All regulatory provisions contained in other City ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed.

(2) Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective on March 14, 1997, the day following its publication in the Rochester Eccentric on March 13, 1997.

(3) Adoption. This ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Rochester Hills at a meeting thereof held on March 6, 1997.

KENNETH D. SNELL, Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Rochester Hills at a meeting thereof held on March 6, 1997.

BEVERLY A. JASINSKI, Clerk

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faze you during the districts."

The pressure of playing the eighth-ranked team in Class A a third time didn't appear to faze Adams.

The Highlanders controlled the tempo early with the help of a 3-2 zone, building a 7-2 advantage on junior Josh Weimer's jumper with 4:36 remaining in the first quarter. The lead was 7-6 at the quarter's end.

The way the first quarter unfolded was exactly the way we wrote it on the board," Belote said. "We would have liked to have made a few other shots that we thought we could have made inside and we felt the score at the end of the (first) quarter could have been 16-6 and put us in a great position. But (Northern) kind of woke up in the second quarter and got up

and down the floor on us a little bit, and we had a few turnovers and missed some shots and kind of played right into their hands."

Northern (21-2), which defeated Clarkston 59-47 in the Masonic Dakota regional semifinals on Tuesday, can clinch a state quarterfinal berth with a win Friday, began to break down the 3-2 zone by swinging the ball around and kicking it back to the middle for open jump shots.

The Huskies outscored Adams 16-4 over the first 6:59 of the first half for a 29-16 halftime lead. The Highlanders made only 1 of 8 shots, committed five turnovers and missed three free throws during the costly stretch and would get no closer than 11 points the rest of the way.

The Highlanders, whose two previous losses to Northern

included a 58-56 home loss on Feb. 4 in which Julius Hall hit game-winning 15-foot jumper with three seconds left, closed within 53-42 on sophomore forward Kyle Morris' layup with 5:32 to go. The Highlanders then had a chance to slice the deficit to single digits but missed the front end of a one-and-one opportunity and Northern promptly rattled off a 7-2 run.

Surprisingly, free-throw shooting was a major thorn in Adams' side as the Highlanders finished an icy 12-of-27 (44 percent) at the charity stripe.

"We're a 70 percent free-throw shooting team, and that's been a strength for years in our program," Belote said. "We shoot the ball well from the free-throw line, so it was kind of an aberration today for us to shoot like that. Some days it happens like that. You just can't find the right spin on the ball and you just can't get it to drop and the harder you try, the harder it gets."

Hall, a talented senior guard, led the Huskies with 24 points.

Sophomore guard Nucleus Smith added 4 points off the bench and junior Angelo Taylor had 11 points.

Point guard Stan Frencher, one of four seniors on the Adams roster, led the Highlanders with 21 points, 20 in the second half. Morris also played a strong game with 14 points and Weimer finished with nine rebounds and seven points.

"We've got four seniors on our team and I'm proud of those guys," Belote said referring to Frencher, Chris Roumney, Brad Sarsela and James Jackson. "They busted their butts all year long, did a nice job of providing that senior leadership and a coach always talk about and modeled the correct type of behavior we like in our program. And they were absolutely great kids."

"I think we got a nice group of kids coming back next year. I'm anxious to get back with them and start building for next year. We can be a pretty decent ball club next year."



City of
ROCHESTER HILLS
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACCEPT BIDS 1997 LAWN MAINTENANCE AND WEED MOWING SERVICES

Sealed bids for 1997 LAWN MAINTENANCE AND WEED MOWING SERVICES will be received by the City of Rochester Hills at the City Clerk's Office, 1000 Rochester Hills Drive, Rochester Hills, MI 48068 until 3:00 P.M. Local Time, THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 1997, at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The complete specifications for the 1997 LAWN MAINTENANCE AND WEED MOWING SERVICES are available at the City Clerk's Office during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by mail by telephoning 810-556-4630. Prospective bidder's telephone number and facsimile number, street address and the name of the individual or firm to whom addenda, if any, can be directed is required.

Any deviation from the specifications must be noted on the bid.

THE CITY OF ROCHESTER HILLS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

Please submit bid on or before the date and time given above for:

Beverly A. Jasinski, City Clerk
City of Rochester Hills
1000 Rochester Hills Drive
Rochester Hills, Michigan 48068

All bids must be submitted in a Sealed Envelope marked "BID - 1997 LAWN MAINTENANCE AND WEED MOWING SERVICES, PACKAGE A, B, C or D".

BEVERLY A. JASINSKI, City Clerk
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