

Final four move into softball semifinals

By Chris Wells
Once again last week the top finishers in the Potsdam Slow-Pitch League eliminated another round of challenges to advance to the semi-finals this week. The lopsided scores of many of the contests suggest some high-scoring games during these series. The defenses will have to be strong and stingy if they expect to play next week in the finals. Ducewicz will be playing Whiskey One and Timber Tavern will meet the Quonset Pioneers in the best-two-out-of-three series.

"A" Bracket:
Ducewicz 12-Kentucky Fried 6. Wayne LaBaff was the winning pitcher, Mike Whalen had three hits, and Dave Whalen added two more. For KFC, Gary Tischler had two hits, including a homerun, and four rbis; Mike Serfis produced two hits.
Ducewicz 17-KFC 11. Wayne LaBaff was the winner, and Carl Gotsch and Brian Jacot hit homeruns.
Whiskey One 14-Ted's Treads 2. For Whiskey, Jeff Terrillion batted 3-4, Rance Benton hit 2-4 with a double and an HR, and Wayne Thompson was 3-4 with two triples. For Ted's, Bob Collins

and Jeff Covell had two hits apiece. Whiskey One 17-Ted's Treads 4. For Whiskey, Rance Benton and Wayne Thompson were 3-5, Jeff Terrillion hit a homerun and Ace Thompson drilled a triple.
"B" Bracket:
Timber Tavern 10-The Hut 4. Bill Meashaw was the winner and he collected three hits; George Harmon earned three safeties, and Steve Snell added two more.
Timber Tavern 3-The Hut 1. Dick Wickwire picked up the win. Junior Hazelton, George Harmon, and Evan Harper had two hits apiece.
Quonset Pioneers 7-Green's 1. The winning pitcher was Tom Caruso, Bill Gilmore hit 2-2, and Pete Stone knocked in two runs. For Green's Vince Caruso was the loser and Bob Caruso had three hits.
Quonset Pioneers 10-Green's 1. Tom Caruso pitched the win and batted 3-4, Brian Chafin went 3-4 with a triple, Bob Sharlow hit 3-4, Alf Maki was 2-3 with a double. For Green's, John Fries batted 3-3 and Terry Davis hit 2-2 with a triple and scored the lone run in the sixth.

Tough tasks face Saint's gridders

The 1976 edition of the St. Lawrence University football team faces a big task as it reports for the start of practice on August 23.
While the Saints were not exactly riddled by graduation, they nevertheless have several important holes to fill, and they will have to be well filled if the Saints are to start the season on the right foot.
St. Lawrence hosts national Division III power Ithaca College, the team which has twice been runner-up in the NCAA Division III championship game, on Sept. 11.
"We do have some quality people returning," said head coach Ted Stratford. "But," he added, "you have to look at the holes."
Gone are all time St. Lawrence rushing leader Rich Klingman, Little All American defensive tackle Ron Pelligra, all conference offensive tackle Jim Rommel and his linemate Marc Young and linebackers Pete Hewitt and Jim Fiacco.
St. Lawrence therefore not only has to find replacements, but it must find quality replacements and initiate them in the nuances of the Saints attack while the rest of the squad is honing its skills.
And, with Ithaca as an opener, the skills had better be pretty well honed. In the modern renewal of the SLU-Ithaca series, the Saints are 0-2, losing 49-14 in 1974 and 30-6 a year ago. Ithaca has not lost a regular season game in two seasons and has a string of 19 straight regular season wins.
And, while Ithaca, like St. Lawrence, lost some key people, Gerry Boyes and Larry Czarnecki to name just two) the report from the Bombers' munitions factory is that there's plenty of TNT left.
If St. Lawrence can cure its offensive line problems early, the Saints should be able to put points on the board. Quarterback Kirk Dempsey has a year of experience under his belt and the end corps returns intact.
While the loss of Klingman is a big one, Bob McCann matured into a fine college running back a year ago, and Stratford is hoping for some help from

the rookie ranks as well.
Defensively, the Saints are solid on the perimeters with two good defensive ends (Gary Borgosz and Nate Shippee) back along with the entire defensive backfield, but will have to come up with some good personnel to fill the gaps at tackle and linebacker.
St. Lawrence follows its Sept. 11 home opener with a road trip to Bates, a journey to R.I.T., successive home dates against Hobart and Alfred, a jaunt to Plattsburgh, games at home against Hamilton and Rochester and closes its season against R.P.I. in Troy.

Jr. football physicals set

Physicals will be this Thursday, August 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the high school gym.
All boys 10 to 14 (but not in the ninth grade) and who weigh from 75 to 120 lbs. are eligible to play.
The league would like to thank all the local businessmen, The Courier-Freeman, WPDW, WRWK, Dr. Prescott, Potsdam Rescue Squad, and the fans for their support and generous donations. Without this support the league cannot function.
Practice will begin next Monday with the issue of equipment.

LaRose tops Leek in local net final

Third seed Tim LaRose of Watertown and second seed Jerry Leek, Canton, played a marathon two and a half hour final match Sunday in Potsdam Fifth Open Tennis Tourney.
LaRose was the winner with scores of 7-5, 6-2, 6-3 and was the first player in the two day series to successfully cope with Leek's accurate, back spinning ground strokes. In previous rounds, Leek beat Dave Wise, 6-0, Jerry Kruezer, 6-0, 6-0, and fourth seed Jegath Giri, 6-3, 7-5. LaRose worked his way through another bracket with wins over Chris Fiore, 6-3, 6-1; Dave Jordan, 6-3, 6-4; and Dean Ames, 7-5, 6-1. Dean had upset the top

seed, Gener Grobelny, 6-3, 6-4. Gene is a spectacular player from Canton, but could not settle down against Dean's consistency.
In other matches: Chris Fiore def. John Shapazian, 6-0, 6-2; Dave Jordan def. Don Tompkins, 2-6, 6-1, 6-1; Grobelny def. Paul Goodrow, 6-3, 6-1; and John Elmer def. George Mina 7-6, 6-3, but lost to Giri, 6-1, 6-3. John Bohannon def. Tom Finnigan, 6-0, 6-4, and also lost to Giri, 6-3, 6-3. Dave Wise def. Ed Kaneb, 6-0, 6-2; Jerry Kruezer def. Ray Gosselin, 6-0, 6-2.

Twenty compete in road races

Twenty competitors participated in the second of the weekly road races at Postwood Park, Saturday.
Tom Grace of Potsdam captured the 2 kilometer test in a time of 9:02. Peter Garner of Gouverneur finished second, followed by Aaron Berndt and Matthew Newell of Potsdam.
Rick Letarte topped the field in the 5 kilometer run with a time of 16:00. Tom Van De Water finished second in a time

of 16:29. Bruce Popp (18:29), Dennis Williams (18:53), and Alan Newell (19:48) rounded out the top five. Craig McGowan (20:20) and Dan Williams (23:33) both of Potsdam finished in the eighth and ninth spots respectively.
The 10 kilometer race featured the winning pace of Randy Reynolds of Gouverneur. Nancy Drago of Potsdam copped second place honors followed by Richard Berndt, Fritz Grupe and Bob Riggs of Potsdam.

Steve Barlow named to OFA track post

Steven Barlow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Barlow, 49 Pine Street, Potsdam, has been named as the head track coach at Ogdensburg Free Academy.
Barlow is a 1967 graduate of Potsdam High School and a December 1970 graduate of Potsdam State. He has been an Assistant Coach at OFA since 1971.
While in high school, Barlow competed on both the track and cross country teams. He placed in the Vandusen in both the long jump and triple jump, and also was a Junior Champ champion for two years. Barlow also received plaudits in the jumping events as a member of the Potsdam State track team.
He resides at 409 Grant Street, Ogdensburg with his wife Barbara and two year old son Scott.

SLU matman makes AAU Jr. World Team

St. Lawrence University wrestling captain elect, Joe Davitt is polishing his skills.
And, the polishing is taking place against some pretty good competition. Davitt is a member of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Junior World Team, which is currently wrestling in Bulgaria, Turkey, and Poland.
The AAU team, made up of collegians from across the nation, is touring those countries as part of a sports-cultural

exchange giving the American wrestlers a taste of international competition and the host Europeans a glimpse of freestyle wrestling, American collegiate style.
Davitt, normally, a 177 pounder for St. Lawrence, is wrestling in the 196 pound class, where St. Lawrence coach John Clark attests, "Joe can hold his own."
Davitt worked up to that weight at a pre-tour training camp held at St. Lawrence last week.



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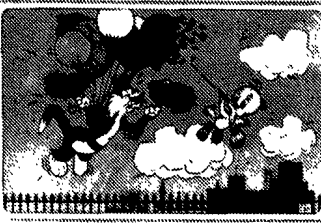


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