

Mina Captures 2nd Straight Net Title

George Mina posted a double championship triumph with a pair of final-round victories last week as the 7th Potsdam Tennis Tournament came to a close.

Mina successfully defended his crown in the Men's Singles Division in a grueling confrontation with runnerup Jerry Leek and then teamed with Abbey Slavin to capture the Doubles Division title.

In the girl's Junior Division, Jill

Margosian also notched a double-success with impressive wins in both the 16 and 18-year-old brackets.

In the other two junior divisions, Blake Londraville topped the 18-year-old field and Russell Christopher of Canton claimed the 16-year-old crown.

Chris Angus and Pat Welch won the Mixed Doubles championship while Chris Fiore nabbed the Senior Men's Singles title.

Mina was hard-pressed by Leek to

retain his men's title, winning the first set, 10-8, and then outlasting Leek in the second, 7-5. Mina and Slavin downed Leek and Jeff Jorgensen in the Men's Doubles finale.

Ms. Margosian posted impressive wins over Anne Kerwin, Judy Morey, Teresa Kerwin, Nancy McColffery and Kathy MacKenzie en route to her crown.

In gaining the Henry A. Geidel trophy in the Junior Division, Londraville notched wins over Mark Serway, 6-0,

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6-0; Tony Lucic, 6-2, 6-1; and Dan Olicieri, 6-2, 6-7, 6-4.

Christopher downed Leroy Elliott, 6-0, 6-3; Bruce Beckstead of Massena, 6-2, 6-2; and Bob Doren of Colton, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4, to win his championship.

Potsdam Gets Back On Winning Track

The Potsdam soccer team rebounded from its only loss of the season two weeks ago with a pair of victories last week, dumping Star Lake, 6-2, at home and then tripping hosting Norwood, 4-3.

The two triumphs raised Potsdam's season record to 12-1-3 and kept the team just behind front-running Madrid in the Eastern Division of the Summer Recreation League. Madrid currently holds a 14-1-1 mark. What could be a crucial makeup game for Potsdam against the Canton "A" team is still tentative. The league does not hold playoffs.

Potsdam wasted little time in getting back on the winning track last Wednesday against Star Lake as the team struck for four goals in the first 20 minutes.

Kennon Fisher, the team's leading scorer, put Potsdam on the scoreboard first approximately 10 minutes into the game after taking a pass from center fullback Pete Luellen.

Left winger Frank Signorelli, the team's leading goal-scorer, added a second tally five minutes later on an assist from Fisher and then Craig McGowan scored what turned out to be the game-winner three minutes later. Steve Green built the score to 4-0 just two minutes after McGowan's goal as he carried the ball to the goal mouth and

drove the ball into the left side of the net. Star Lake's first score came on a Potsdam miscue late in the first half as an errant backfield pass caught goalie Ed Wixted out of position to field the ball.

Signorelli hit for his second goal of the game early in the second half after taking a pass from Steve Austin. Star Lake scored its second goal five minutes later and Pat McGowan wrapped up the day's scoring with 24 minutes expired on another assist from Austin.

The Star Lake team called the game with approximately 20 minutes left to play.

Pat McGowan turned in a notable stint in filling in for Wixted in the net in the game's early minutes. Wixted, who had been delayed in reaching the game, recorded 10 saves in completing the contest.

In Norwood Sunday, Potsdam encountered more resistance but two-goal performances from Steve Austin and right winger Steve Kinz provided enough offense to claim the victory.

Norwood struck first on a loose ball in front of the Potsdam net just two minutes into the game. But Austin retaliated with his first goal a minute later on a pass from Chris Penelle. The two teams fought to a standoff the remainder of the first half in spite of high pressure being applied by the Norwood offense.

Norwood again assumed the lead early in the second half when left winger Al Gogsch scored unassisted from the left side. But again Potsdam waited no longer than a minute to respond as Kinz tallied his first on an unassisted drive.

Austin gave Potsdam the insurance goal it needed less than four minutes later after taking a headed cross from Fisher in front of the goal.

Norwood scored its final goal on another mixup in front of the Potsdam net with 14 minutes remaining in the game.

Wixted turned away approximately 15 Norwood shots-on-goal.

Potsdam had been scheduled for a bye Wednesday night, Aug. 23, but will attempt to makeup a cancelled game with the Canton "A" team instead.

The Canton "A" team is in the league's Eastern Division. Madrid also has one game remaining. Madrid's lone loss and tie have both come at the hands of Potsdam. Potsdam suffered its only loss to Western Division opponent Gouverneur, 3-1.

The Potsdam team is sponsored by the Whiskey One.

Bear Season Set To Open

Details on New York's 1978 early bear season and a reopened bear season in the Catskills were announced today by the Department of Environmental Conservation.

The early bear season, which will run from September 16 through October 13 in 12 Adirondack counties, is part of the Department of Environmental Conservation's program to provide maximum recreational hunting opportunities compatible with the well-being of the state's wildlife resources.

All or portions of St. Lawrence, Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Hamilton, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Oneida, Saratoga and Washington counties will be open for bear hunting this fall. In addition to the same area open last year, all lands south and east of Route 11 from Malone to Watertown

and all lands north and east of Route 12 between Watertown and Lowville will be open to bear hunting in both the early and regular seasons.

People planning to hunt during the early bear season are reminded that New York's license year runs from October 1 through September 30. Therefore hunters afield between September 16 and September 30 must have with them a valid 1977-78 big game license and after September 30, must have a 1978-79 big game license.

Permits will not be required to hunt during the early bear season. Elimination of this requirement last year may have caused greater hunter participation, contributing to the record harvest of 283 bears, which surpassed the previous record, set in 1975, by more than 100.

Karate Classes Scheduled

Korean Karate classes will be held at Potsdam State College in the Merritt Hall gymnasium on upcoming Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The classes are open to both men and women of all ages and will include history of the Martial Arts, basic karate techniques, meditation exercises, development of Ki (inner energy), Kata (formal exercises) and self-defense techniques. A class specifically designed for beginners will also be featured.

Registration for the classes will be held at Merritt Hall Aug. 23, 28, 30 between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Divers Use S.U.C.P. School As Stepping-Stone To Empire Games

Typically, in any meet it's Russell first, Miller second and anybody else after that.

In the State meet last year Miller placed eighth but has his sights set on the top three in the coming year.

"I hope Mark and I will go one-two," he said. "I know I'm going to be better than I was last year."

Both Spencerport seniors have been working hard on their diving skills since they were about 8 or 10 years-old and are used to working out six days per week, but they found the kind of work they were getting at Potsdam especially productive.

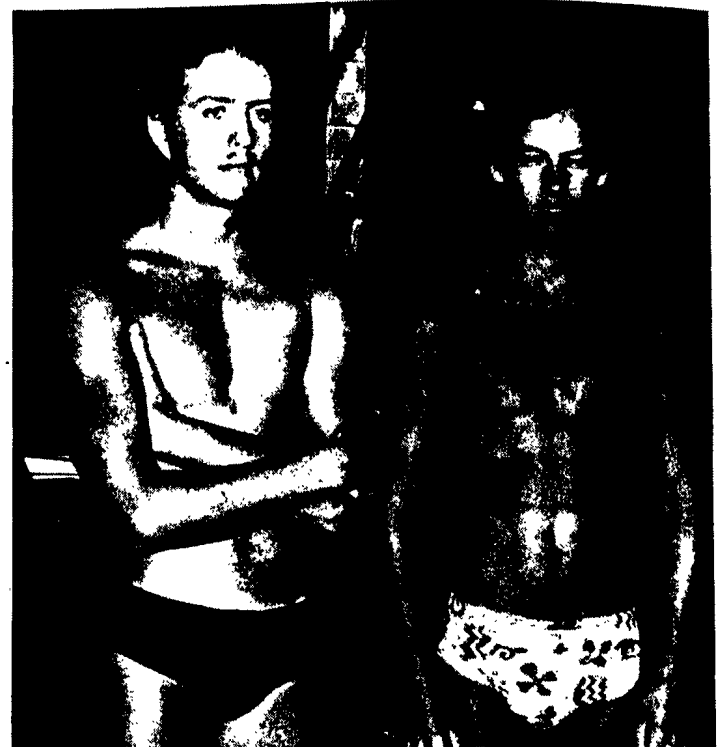
"You practice your dives for two and a half hours twice a day, plus trampoline work. You watch films of top divers in action and films of yourself. It all works together and you can feel yourself getting better each day," Russell said.

Both divers praised the facilities available at the college, noting that they're better than what they are used to.

Russell plans to go to a Division I school after graduation and has had invitations from 23 universities, including all four military academies. He wants to study "something in the area of business or accounting. Maybe business law."

Miller is interested in math and computer science and said he was aware that these were two of Potsdam State's strongest academic programs.

"I'm not sure where I'll go. I have to decide if I want to compete in Division I



PREPPING FOR GAMES—Spencerport High School seniors Rick Miller (left) and Mark Russell participated in the recent Potsdam State College Diving School working on their skills as the two divers prepared last week for the Empire Games in Syracuse. The Empire Games were held in Syracuse over the weekend. The chief consultant for Potsdam's diving school was Leon Reed, Spencerport coach.

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Frank Signorelli	13	6
Joe Signorelli	6	4
Pat McGowan	4	4
Steve Austin	2	3
Steve Green	3	2
Craig McGowan	2	2
Brian Lang	2	2
Jamie Newell	1	2
Pete Luellen	1	0

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