



MAKES THE SAVE — Potsdam netminder Scott Domingos freezes the puck during Wednesday's 3-1 loss at Massena. The seventh-ranked Stoners will get a rematch against the top-ranked Raiders in Potsdam Feb. 1. (Massena Observer photo)

Bears Slay Dragons. Seek National Ranking

In medieval times, when one defeated warriors and slew dragons, one was regarded as heroic, and was in turn rewarded.

Well, times have changed, but the Potsdam College Bears hope to be rewarded with national ranking after home victories against the Warriors of Hartwick, the nation's second-ranked Division III team, and the Dragons of Cortland State.

With a 12-3 overall record, including 4-0 in SUNYAC play, The Bears may finally be among the top 20 when they host Plattsburgh State Thursday at 8 p.m. and Albany State Saturday at 8 p.m. in important conference games.

It was a slam dunk and the roar of the crowd that handed the Warriors their first loss of the season. After coming out flat in the second half and trailing 41-38, sophomore guard Roosevelt Bullock made one of his four steals and fed the ball upcourt to Rick Whitney, who slammed the ball home.

The capacity crowd went wild, and the Bears responded with a Leroy Witherspoon jumper, a Bullock dunk, and two more hoops to take a 48-41 lead which they never relinquished.

Bullock, Potsdam's most consistent player of late, scored 11 points, pulled down seven rebounds, and handed out six assists to key the Bears attack. Witherspoon and reserve Scott Culler paced the scoring for the winners with 12 apiece.

Potsdam's balanced attack offset a 30-point performance by Hartwick's Jerry O'Grady.

Thirteen Bears scored in their 112-74 romp over Cortland State, the biggest tally for Potsdam since a 1972 victory over New Paltz when the Bears amassed 124 points.

Leroy Witherspoon led the Bears with 22 points, followed by Whitney's 19 on nine for nine shooting. Potsdam hit 64 percent of their shots, testimony to 32 Cortland turnovers which led to easy transition buckets.

Bullock again played a fine game, counting nine points, seven assists, and eight steals.

Mike Stokes, ranked among the nation's scoring leaders, was held to 17 points, tops for the visitors, but he



UPSET SPECIAL — Potsdam College's Ed Okuniewski makes an uncontested layup during the Bears' 64-53 victory over previously unbeaten Hartwick. The victory over the nation's third-ranked team may propel the Bears into the Top 20 among Division III schools. (Mike LeBoeuf photo)

Girls Jr. Hoop Begins

The Potsdam Girls Junior Basketball Program will begin Jan. 30 at the Lawrence Avenue Gym for girls in grades 6-8.

This free program will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sign-ups will be conducted the first night and girls should bring their basketball equipment the first evening.

If anyone is interested in coaching, please contact Barb LaGrand at 265-8523 or Steve Yianoukos at 265-4030.

Calvin Hill To Speak

Calvin Hill, a former NFL all-pro running back, will speak tonight (Tuesday) at 8 p.m. in Davis Lecture Hall (Clarkson 128).

Hill will speak on the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse.

A consultant to the Cleveland Browns, Hill works with players in their battles with drugs and alcohol. A Yale graduate, Hill has a master's degree in counseling.

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committed to themselves because of the Potsdam pressure defense.

Icers Take 2 Of 3

After crushing Hobart and defeating Canisius, the Bears had plenty of momentum going into Saturday night's encounter with RIT, the defending Division II national champions. But momentum wasn't enough.

The Bears travel to Plattsburgh tonight (Tuesday) to play the Cardinals.

Led by Massena's Jim and B. J. Hull, the Tigers marched to a 6-0 blanking of the hosts. Jim Hull scored a goal and B. J. tallied two assists to help RIT. Potsdam could muster only 19 shots on Dave Burkholder, the ECAC's top-ranked goaltender.

Stephan Laperriere stopped 41 shots in the Potsdam goal, but the Bears dropped to 10-9-1 on the season. Potsdam has won 10 of 15 games since Nov. 11.

Last Tuesday night, the Bears dismantled Hobart 19-3. When the fans are chanting, "We Want 20!" you know what kind of game it is.

It was some kind of game for statistics. Dan Williams and Kevin Sciog each scored three goals, while Bill Gilchrist, Ted Bach, Mike Bujold, Brian Bell, and Dave Palmisano each netted two. Laperriere and Ron Holland gathered 26 saves between the pipes for Potsdam.

Friday night Potsdam beat Canisius 6-4 behind Bell's three goals and one assist. Steve Mailhot, Mike Henry, and Mike Bujold also tallied for the Bears, who beat the Griffins for the second time this season.

Laperriere and Peter Maro combined for 13 saves for Potsdam.

Miller Leads Swimmers

Jerry Miller set a new school record and qualified for the nationals as he won the 50 and 100 freestyle events at Albany over the weekend to lead the men's team to a 59-53 triumph.

Scot Morrell took honors in the 100 backstroke and the 100 freestyle, and the 400 medley and freestyle relay teams also came away winners. The women's team lost to Albany 78-36 despite good outings by Anne Donato (1000 free, 200 IM), and Renee Hatter (200 free, 100 back).

Earlier in the week, the Potsdam men lost to Hamilton 61-52, while the



SCORING ACE — Potsdam's Brian Dempsey (24) gets his shot away before OFA's Darren Gamache can block it. Dempsey scored 18 points in a losing cause for the Stoners. (Mike LeBoeuf photo)

C-P, P-H Box Scores

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Salmon River (57) - LaTulipe 5-11-21, Rogosky 3-4-10, Ghostlaw 3-1-11, Jock 1-0-2, Yeomans 2-1-3, Martin 2-2, Totals 19-19-57.

P-H (46) - Richards 11-0-22, Fullerton 2-4-8, Snell 1-0-2, Waite 1-3-5, Phippen 3-1-7, Collins 1-0-2, Totals 19-8-46.

Halftime: Salmon River led 30-19.

JV Score: P-H won 49-42.

C-P (41) - Ford 2-2-6, Walrich 3-1-7, Morgan 1-0-2, Gregg 9-4-22, Dilts 1-2-4, Totals 16-9-44.

Chateaugay (43) - Peck 3-2-8, Boodway 2-0-4, Merrill 3-0-6, Demarse 4-1-9, Wilcox 6-2-14, McDonald 1-0-2, Totals 19-5-43.

Halftime: Score tied 21-21.

JV Score: Chateaugay won 57-36.

RECEIVES MASTERS

Magda Shawayk Hamman of Potsdam received a master of science degree in electrical engineering at the Dec. 17 commencement exercises at Iowa State University.

Stoners Await Rematch With Flyers Cagers

"We want to win these games against Gouverneur and Malone so we can be 6-5 when we host Norwood-Norfolk," said Steve Kmack. Potsdam Sandstoners basketball coach looking ahead to the Jan. 31 matchup.

It should be a great rematch, but the Stoners cannot look past the Wildcats and Huskies. "We're very concerned about the Gouverneur game tonight (Tuesday)," said Kmack. They've been playing teams tough. And Malone took Saranac Lake and Ogdensburg to the limit.

Ogdensburg handed Potsdam its most recent setback, a 57-53 decision in which the Devils went to the free



POTSDAM SCORE — Kevin Claffey goes up for a layup during Friday's 57-53 loss to OFA. The Devils shot 54 free throws, made 27 of them, and raised their record to 8-1. (Ron Robertson photo)

throw line an incredible 54 times, hitting 27 attempts.

Kmack cited a "lack of consistency" in the officiating as the key to the loss. "Mark Nunge fouled out for the first time all season. We outscored them by 20 points from the field," Kmack said.

But it was the free throw line where Potsdam had ample opportunity to win the game, and failed to convert. The Stoners connected on just three of 17 attempts from the "charity stripe."

Brian Dempsey played with heart, and poured in 18 points for Potsdam. Nunge scored 15, and Kevin Claffey eight. The Devils held Scott Manske to just two points. "We've got to get

some points out of Manske," said Kmack.

Darren Gamache amassed 23 points for the Devils, who upped their record to 8-1.

Last Tuesday, Potsdam tamed the Golden Bears of Canton, 51-33. Mark Nunge led the Stoners with 14 points, while Gordie Leonard hit for 17 points for Canton.

With those games behind them, Potsdam looks ahead to the big rematch with the Flyers. N-N won the first match at home, but the Stoners figure to have quite a crowd next Tuesday on Student Appreciation Night. All students will be admitted free, and there will be a halfcourt shot contest at halftime.

In JV action, the Stoners lost yet another close contest, 37-36 to Canton, before dropping a 51-44 decision to OFA Friday.

Flyers Fall Into Tie

After a 43-37 loss in OFA, Norwood-Norfolk came back to down Massena Friday 70-54 behind 20 points and seven rebounds from Brian Ferguson and 15 points, nine assists, and 15 rebounds from Dan Michalak.

N-N was outscored 14-4 in the third period against OFA, and it proved to be their demise. Michalak hit for 12 points and Ferguson 11 to lead the Flyers, who host Tupper Lake tonight.

Colts Beat Panthers

Somebody had to win, and it turned out to be Colton-Pierrepont with a 64-43 drubbing of Parishville-Hopkinton last Tuesday.

Dave Gregg tallied 19 points for Colton-Pierrepont, while Wayne Richards hit for 10 points. Richards hit for 10 points, but was nudged by Chateaugay 43-41 Friday. Gregg fired in 22 points in a losing cause.

The Panthers were perfect, as they managed to lose a 57-46 game to Salmon River to remain winless. Richards hit for 22 points for P-H.

Potsdam Girls Lose

The Stoners girls fell on tough times Saturday when they met the hot Devils of OFA. Mary Jo Fields led Potsdam with six points, but OFA won 35-19. The JV girls were beaten 45-11. Tammy Green led Potsdam with four points.

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The Inside Corner

Thought-Provoking Question

BY MIKE LEBOEUF
Sports Editor

Here's some questions I'd like somebody...anybody to answer. Why do they have to wait an extra week to play the Super Bowl? Don't they know that two weeks of hype for a 38-9 rout can drive people up the wall?

How come Super Bowl games are rarely "Super"? Aren't the two conference champions supposed to hook up in a classic confrontation?

Skins Can Blame Themselves

How come Washington played the big game so casually? Didn't they want the extra money? Did they start to believe their clippings? Were the Redskins victims of "Nebraska Syndrome?"

What possesses Joe Theismann to throw a screen pass inside his 10-yard line with time running out in the first half? Did he think the play would gain 90 yards? Why didn't the Redskins blitz more on immobile Jim Plunkett, the L.A. quarterback? Why couldn't they bottle up Marcus Allen the way they held opposing rushers in check all season long?

For Pete's Sake, Why?

Why, Pete Rose, did you not try harder to sign with the Seattle Mariners in the American League, instead of the Montreal Expos of the National League? Don't you realize that you cannot play the field any longer, and the designated hitter rule would have helped you concentrate on your hitting?

How come it took so long for Harmon Killebrew to make baseball's hall of fame? Didn't he hit more homers than any other right-handed batsman in American League history?

Isn't it true that the NBA and NHL All-Star games are the greatest one-game spectacles in sports? Won't you watch the halftime slam dunk contest at Denver next Sunday, or Gretzky in the hockey star contest?

Isn't heavyweight boxing the dullest thing around right now? With ancient Larry Holmes and no real contenders, what lies ahead for the boxing world? Will Sugar Ray Leonard follow through with his plans to fight big names like Pryor and Hagler? Is he that stupid?

54 Free Throws For Real?

Come on referees, don't you think you're getting picky when you send one team to the line for 54 attempts? Why don't you let the kids play and learn, instead of blowing whistles every time down the floor?

Could Massena be in for a surprise when they visit Potsdam Feb. 1 for a key hockey game? Can the talented Sandstoners upset the top-ranked Raiders at home?

Won't Walker Arena be packed when St. Lawrence comes to town for a Feb. 3 local showdown? Will Clarkson ever put together a string of victories or losses?

Won't the Bears of Potsdam College be ranked finally after beating the nation's second-rated team, the Hartwick Warriors? Is this year's Potsdam College club more balanced than any team Coach Jerry Welsh has had to date?

Won't this column ever stop asking questions?

Potsdam, N-N Box Scores

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

OFA (57) - Clouffier 0-3-5, Farrell 4-8-14, Gamache 7-9-23, Hollembaek 1-4-8, Seymour 3-1-7, Totals 15-27-57.

Potsdam (53) - Balza 1-1-3, Manske 1-0-2, Peets 2-0-4, Dempsey 9-0-18, Claffey 4-0-8, Nunge 7-1-15, Fields 1-1-3, Totals 25-3-33.

Halftime: OFA led 29-26.

JV Game: OFA won 60-54.

OFA JV's (51) - Bressett 1-0-2, Hollembaek 5-0-10, Krause 2-0-4, Martin 2-1-5, Silver 2-1-5, Varnsey 7-4-18, Wright 3-1-7, Totals 31-17.

Potsdam (44) - Kmack 0-1-1, Cheney 2-0-14, Unsworth 4-1-9, Knapp 2-4-8, Coskran 2-0-4, Patel 3-2-8, Totals 17-16-44.

Halftime: Potsdam led 27-26.

N-N (70) - Michalak 7-1-15, Queror 2-0-4, Ferguson 10-0-20, Campbell 1-0-2, Molnar 3-2-8, Bates 4-0-8, Hunkins 1-0-2, Smith 2-0-4, Wolstenholme 1-3-5, Metcalf 1-0-2, Totals 37-16-64.

Massena (54) - Currier 3-2-8, Rogers 4-3-15, Fayette 1-0-2, McKenzie 7-0-14, Peets 2-0-4, Sharlow 1-0-2, Griffin 4-1-9, Totals 24-6-54.

Halftime: N-N led 34-16.

JV Game: N-N won 43-33.

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BY JIM I
Last year, when and Paper Comp and closed the mill development office worried whether reopen the plant.

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- In Canton, University Inn pla sion of their hotel. - In Norfolk, the mill is expanding. - In Massena, nning a new terr - In Ogdensburg PAS are expanding city.