

Ski Trail Notes



STONER COACHES — Randy Sieminski (left) will be the assistant coach for the Potsdam High girls basketball team, coached by Hal Gillette (right). (Dan Williams photo)

'A Few Wins' Goal For Stoners

BY DAN WILLIAMS
With two key returning starters, the Potsdam High School girls basketball team can only go up from last year's 0-14 frustration. "We have a chance to win a few games this year. We're hoping to play tough defense and if we can handle the pressure defense, we can be competitive," said Stoner Coach Hal Gillette.

"We have a tough early schedule, but I think that could help us prepare for the rest of the year."

The Stoners opened their season last night at Canton, then will play Norwood-Norfolk and Gouverneur. All are projected to be among the best in the league this winter.

Leading Potsdam are co-captains Sarah Spencer, a senior, and junior Kelly Norman. Spencer, 5'10", will handle a lot of the rebounding and inside scoring for the Stoners. "Sarah has a good shot and could average in double figures for us this year," said assistant coach Randy Sieminski, a former boys basketball player at Potsdam.

Norman, the team's point guard, is in her second year of varsity ball. Sieminski said, "Kelly's a good ballhandler who doesn't make many mistakes. She knows what needs to be done."

The three other returnees from last year's squad are junior Belinda Martin, senior Monica Converse, and junior Jen Dumas.

Martin, 5'9", hits the boards well and is a fairly good shooter, said Sieminski.

Converse missed a great deal of last season with a knee injury and still isn't 100 percent.

A newcomer to the varsity will probably make the biggest impact in 5'9" junior Katie Baker, up from the JV's. "Katie should be a big scorer for us this year. She really improved a great deal over the summer. She'll be a fine player in this league," said Sieminski.

Gillette said, "Our strength will be rebounding. We have some size, which is something new to us. We

have two proven players in Norman and Spencer and Baker has looked good in the scrimmages." (She scored 13 points against Parishville-Hopkinton).

Joining Converse and Dumas in the backcourt are Ewa Dubinsky, a 5'7" junior Lisa Taylor, a 5'5" junior, and Tammy Green, a 5'8" senior. Help up front will come from Vania Partridge, a 6'0" foreign exchange student, Betty Pelkey, 5'6", Becky Strader, 5'10", both sophomores, and 5'8" senior Joanne Stark.

"We're not very quick and we have only one proven ballhandler — Norman — We'll have to play good defense. We'll struggle to score 30 points. If we can keep our opponents under 35 points, we'll have a shot," said Gillette.

Gillette said he is hoping the girls can gain some confidence this year so it will spread and help boost the program to the lofty heights it once held. He said there is a fine corps of players down on a JV team and he expects they'll develop into good players.

Snowflake Competition

The Potsdam Figure Skating Club will hold its Third Annual Snowflake competition and test session, Jan. 11-12.

The competition will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday in Walker Arena. Skaters will compete in freestyle skating and in dance. There will also be precision team competitions.

Skaters from local clubs and from all over the North Country are expected to compete. There will be contestants from Potsdam, Canton, Massena, Plattsburgh, Lake Placid, Watertown, and Alexandria Bay. The public is welcome free of charge to watch and cheer the skaters.

The test session on Sunday is also open to the public. The skating activities are the same that are held in the Olympics and other big-time competitions.

BY JERRY C. LEEK

As I have already stated, attendance records were broke at many ski areas, both alpine and cross country over the holidays. Even those areas that did not break any attendance records had one of the best holiday periods in years. The reason for the success was the rather good snow conditions and the favorable weather. Cross country conditions were probably a little better because it does not require as much snow on the steeper pitches as alpine skiing. Nonetheless there was good all around skiing and weather.

Big Tupper is now doing fine. It has a new manager named Rick Gordon formerly of Tupper Lake, who was a director of public relations for Copper Mountain in Colorado. He is anxious to promote the area like it never has been before. The ski area is still up for sale because there have been extensive losses for the past two years. The good season so far appears to be turning the ski area into the black.

The Olympic Regional Development Authority, commonly referred to as the ORDA, is very interested in buying the ski area if the price is right. The ORDA figures that it will take another 3 billion dollars on top of the purchase price to make the area up to their standards.

This additional money would be for snowmaking, trails, and lifts. With these improvements would come a substantial increase in the price of a lift ticket. Most skiers that ski regularly at Big Tupper are of the opinion that a price hike, Tupper, as it exists, is just the way that they want it. The conditions there are quite good at the moment, and there is still a special price on a season ticket until about Jan. 10.

While the Town of Altamont, which owns Big Tupper, is still doing studies and appraisals and intends to sell the area, the successful ski season may change

their initial decision. In the meantime, many of the old skiers at Tupper have returned to the area.

There are some very important changes at Gore. The area now has 90 percent snowmaking coverage which was one of the big problems there. The area, which has been under the ORDA since 1964, has doubled the number of seasons passed that it has sold. The installation of the new triple chair lift is also a dramatic improvement. It is the best lift that I have ever ridden. It is extremely quick, and the amazing thing is that it slows down when it picks you up and slows down again when it lets you off. Unless there is an extremely busy day, there are no longer any long lift lines like there used to be at Gore. The area is groomed daily and there are very good conditions in the early morning hours.

I have already mentioned that Buffalo had set a record for snowfall for the month of December. Watertown also set a record in December. The Chamber of Commerce for the City of Watertown wants to call itself "Snowtown USA." Buffalo wants to shun publicity about snow, but Water-

town, on the other hand, wants to capitalize on it. The philosophy is if you can't beat it, join it. Watertown got approximately 100 inches in December passing the old record of 97 inches. The snowfall for December has exceeded the normal snowfall for the entire season. Needless to say the skiing at Dry

Hill and the surrounding cross country ski areas are in real fine shape and have been for most of the season so far.

If you have not been skiing somewhere this year, you're missing the best skiing in years. Dust off those skis in the garage and get going!

Card of Thanks for Audrey Ellen Pease

I wish to express my most sincere Thanks, and acknowledge with deepest appreciation, all the wonderful things done for, and all the Love given, Audrey during her lengthy illness. Words can never repay the Love & care given Audrey by her doctors, nurses, & friends. The moral and mental support, given her during the times of her greatest suffering, made many of her days bearable. The staff of the Canton-Potsdam Hospital, from its excellent doctors & nurses down thru the laboratory technicians, the dietary staff and to the lady who cleaned her room, without exception, they all were Loving and Kind. A Special thanks to those nurses who took a few moments to pray and read to Audrey from the Bible! To the many faithful friends who came to visit & brought Audrey "Goodies", I can only say God Bless you.

To Dolores Stone and Annette Carbone who helped me care for Audrey during her final days, God Bless! I know that each person who came in contact with Audrey received a sense of having known someone fine & loving, and the generous response of the neighbors and friends to the Cancer Society proves it.

Thank you all. If I neglected to mention anyone involved in Audrey's welfare, I am sorry, Please forgive me!

In Jesus Name I Thank You,
Emery E. Pease

Bowling Scores

MARKETTES
Team High Three (Scratch) — Tardelli's 2237, Mr. Charles Styling Sop and White's Hardware 2127, Dalton's 2122.

Team High Three (Handicap) — Tardelli's 2648, Dalton's 2394, Mr. Charles Styling Shop 2568.

Team High Single (Scratch) — Tan Fastic Tanning Studio 788, Tardelli's 772, White's Hardware 744.

Team High Single (Handicap) — Tan Fastic Tanning Studio 923, Sandie's Hair Styling 939, Tardelli's 891.

Individual Single Game (Scratch) — Colona Williams 192, Debbie Ruber 187, Mary Blair 183, With Handicap — Colona Williams 237, Becky Charleston 221, Debbie Robar 211.

Individual Three (Handicap) — Debbie Robar 572, Ann Thomas 564, Debbie Maloff 549.

Individual High Three (Scratch) — Debbie Robar 395, Mary Embury 489, Elaine Ames 472.

Team Standings — White's Hardware 43-21, Dalton's 42-22, Stan's Body Shop 42-22, Tardelli's 35-29, Mr. Charles Styling Shop 34 1/2-29 1/2, Sandie's Hair Styling 34-30, Tan Fastic Tanning Studio 34-30, Phillis Sunoco 33 1/2-29 1/2, Barstow's Furniture 32-32, Kern's Hair Styling 30 1/2, Burrell's 28-38.

TEEN-A-RAMA
Team High Three (Scratch) — Rangers 1893, Who Cares 1469.

Team High Three (Handicap) — Rangers 2235, No Names 2228.

Team High Single (Scratch) — Terminators 625, Team High Single (Handicap) — Terminators 828.

Individual Single Game (Scratch) — Steve Whitler 287, Chris Young 284.

Individual Three (Handicap) — Jay Whitler 667, Chris Young 590, Kristine Omlstead 590.

Individual High Three (Scratch) — Chris Young 372, Jay Whitler 317.

Standings — Who Cares 29-19, Rangers 29-19, Strikers 29-19, No Names 27-21, Ball Busters 1-27.

Bowling Scores

21, Flyers 27-21, Terminators 23-25, Odd Balls 22-24, Tanks 22-24, Pin Splitters 20 1/2-27 1/2, Ball Busters 11 19-29, Go Getters 17 1/2-30 1/2.

Individual Single Game (Scratch) — Brad Kukey 167, Sue Bostel 157.

BANTAM
Individual Single Game (Scratch) — Jenny Deon 182, Nicole Pitcher 159.

Bowling Scores

SUNDAY 6:00 MIXED
Team High Three (Scratch) — W.S. 4 2116, Hillbillies 2011.

Team High Three (Handicap) — W.S. 4 2440, Hot Spots 2421.

Team High Single (Scratch) — W.S. 4 715, Team High Single (Handicap) — W.S. 4 862.

Individual Single Game (Scratch) — Leon Walts 254, Lule Wilson 244.

Individual Three (Handicap) — Leon Walts 451, Lule Wilson 485.

Individual High Three (Scratch) — Leon Walts 603, Lule Wilson 625.

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