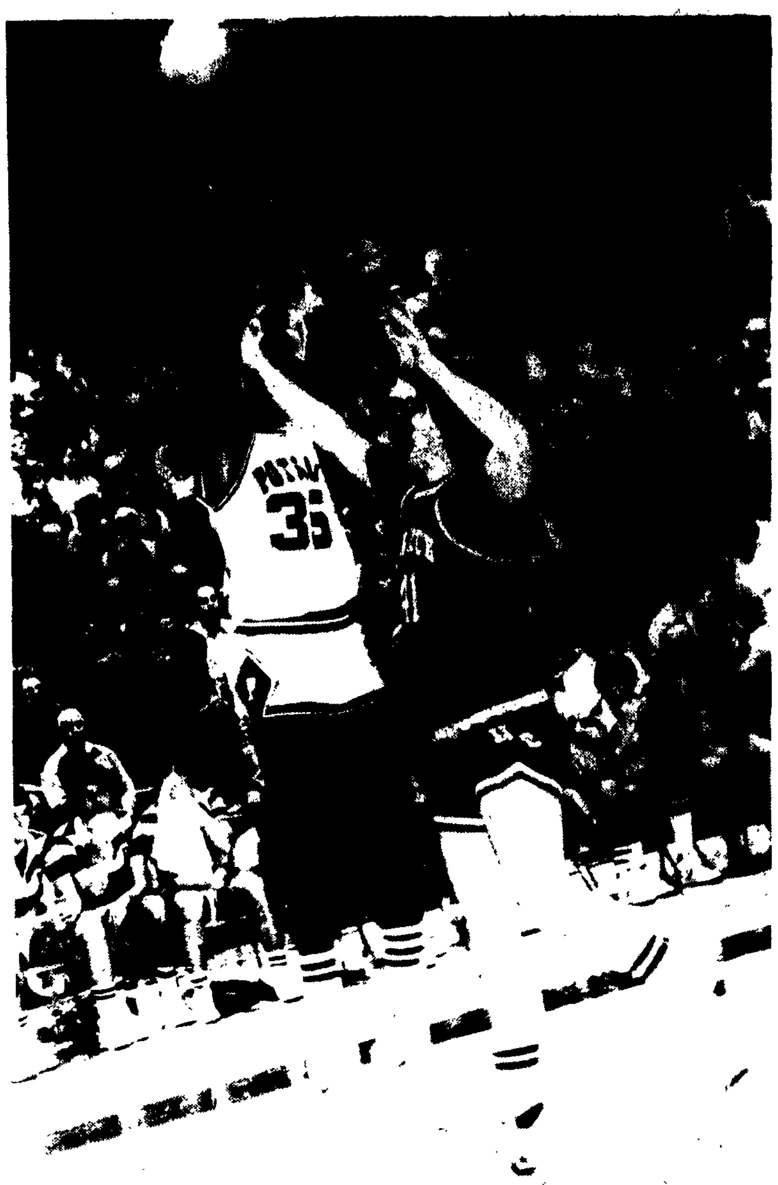

SLAP IN THE FACE — Brendan Mitchell, Potsdam College's smooth forward, gets off a shot against Hartwick's Sal Pepe, who appears to be whacking Mitchell in the face. Potsdam won in a thriller 62-60. (Dan Williams photo)

Bears Slap Albany; Edge Hartwick To Go 18-0

After toying with their most heated rival, SUNYAC East foe Albany State for more than 33:00, the Potsdam College Bears finally blasted past the Great Danes with an impressive final 6:00, winning 69-51 in a game that shouldn't have been that close.

The Bears travel to Plattsburgh Wednesday in a crucial SUNYAC contest. In that game, Coach Jerry Welsh will be vying for his 500th career coaching victory in 27 years as a college and high school mentor.

In the opening minutes of the game, with Potsdam leading by eight, the Bears squandered numerous opportunities to blow the Albany invaders back to the Capital District, allowing the scrappy Danes back into contention 30-28 at the half.

Potsdam's transition game was a little icy in the beginning as the Bears' missed several easy shots. But, as usual, the defense was what won the game for the 18-0 Bears. Albany shot 34 percent from the floor in the second half to finish an icy 44 percent for the contest. Potsdam, by contrast, found the range, connecting on 58 percent of their field goal tries.

Brendan Mitchell, the Bears' All-American candidate at forward, scored 16 points and grabbed six rebounds to lead the winning cause. Roosevelt "Pony" Bullock, the other half of Potsdam's "Dynamic Duo," also hit for 16 points and pulled down 15 rebounds from his point guard slot.

Centerman Barry Stanton contributed 14 points and six rebounds, helping to keep the Albany inside game in check throughout.

Seniors John Leonard and Tom Conboy each added eight points and sparkling defense for the Bears. In the Bears' stretch drive, the much-improved play of Conboy should prove to be a large factor, making the Potsdam crew that much tougher to defense.

Speaking of defense. The job that Potsdam did on Albany's big guns are impressive. Adam Ursprung, who came into the game averaging 16 points a game, was held to six; Doug Kilmer, a free-lance long-bomber was held to seven points, six under his average, and Mike Cinque, their smooth point guard, scored nine, but shot only 4-11 from the floor.

The leading scorer for Coach Dick Sauers' crew was swingman Brian Kauppila with 10 points.

Bears Survive 'Wick

After losing a nine-point lead nearly as quickly as they gained it, the Potsdam Bears held on to a nail-biting 62-60 win over Hartwick College last Wednesday in the finest game seen in these parts in a couple of years.

The two combatants matched each other, shot for shot, defense for defense, throughout most of their energized battle. When Potsdam opened a 56-47 lead with 6:30 left, the packed house at Maxcy expected the Bears to blow the game open. But a missed shot by Tim Harris, and three straight turnovers brough Hartwick back within striking distance with 1:00 left.

When Potsdam got the ball back with 55 seconds left and a 62-60 lead, Leonard was fouled with 35 seconds remaining. He missed the front end of the one-and-one. Stanton scrambled after the loose rebound, passed to Bullock, who shoveled the ball to Mitchell. Mitchell, thinking Conboy was sprinting to th corner, threw the ball there and out of bounds with 25 ticks left on the clock.

Hartwick called for timeout, set up a play, but, because of stingy Potsdam defense, couldn't find an open shot. Tim McGraw, usually a dead-eye from 22 feet and in, let loose with a 20-footer. Bullock, using his quick jumping ability, cleanly blocked the shot at the buzzer and Potsdam preserved their undefeated status.

Mitchell scored 14 to lead the Bears, who also picked up 12 from Bullock and 10 from Harris. Mark Ottati scored 18 for Hartwick, 14 in the first half. McGraw hit for 11 (4-14 from the floor) and Rob Duplessis added 10.

IN AMONG TREES — Potsdam High's Jeff Bajza (23) drives to the penetrates a tall Malone lineup to score two easy Stoner points. Malone had too much height and shooting prowess for the Potsdam five. See story on page 16. (Dan Williams photo)

Clarkson Sports Roundup

Cagers' Hard Luck Continues

The hard luck continues for Clarkson's mens basketball team as the Golden Knights dropped three more games last week.

On Jan. 20, Clarkson closed out a three-game road trip, losing to ICAC foe RIT 67-56. The fortunes weren't any better for the Knights when they hosted league power Ithaca on Jan. 24 as the Green and Gold came out on the wrong end of a close game, losing 58-55. Last Sunday, Nazareth handed Clarkson their 15th straight loss, defeating the Knights in Potsdam 61-54.

Junior forward Jeff Parsons was top scorer against RIT with 16 points. Freshman guard Mark Vigren continued his fine rookie season with six points, five rebounds, and 11 assists against the Tigers.

Parsons was again the high scorer against Ithaca with 14 points, followed by Vigren with 13 points and freshman forward Ken Coard's 12 markers.

Junior forward Jon Iveson led the Knights against Nazareth with 16 points and six reounds. Vigren, who had a perfect day on the court, shooting 4-4 from the floor and 4-4 from the line, added 12 points.

Women Split

The Clarkson University womens basketball team split in action last week. Coach Brian Chafin's squad defeated Canton ATC on the road Jan. 21 53-35, but on Jan. 25, the Lady Knights fell to William Smith COllege 83-70 at home.

Sophomore Mary Chesterfield led the way against Canton with a personal high of 16 points. Senior tri-captain Tracey Dorsey followed with 10 points and eight rebounds. Junior tri-captain Jill Heller hauled in a game-high 14 rebounds and added eight points.

Freshman Mary Sliva was Clarkson's top scorer against William Smith with 18 points. Freshman Laurie Beauchamp, from Ogdensburg, and Heller contributed 14 points apiece. Dorsey, who led the team with 11 rebounds, rounded out the double figure scorers with 12 points.

Swimmers Seventh

Although the Clarkson mens and womens swim teams placed seventh out of a seven team field at the ICAC tournament in RIT last weekend, coach Brenda Skelley was pleased with the overall performance.

Graduate student Paul Wetmore finished third in the 200 fly with a time of 2:04.07.

Senior Anne Donato recorded her personal best time in the 100 breast with a second place time of 1:02.78.

Also placing in the top 12 in their respective freestyle races were juniot Paul Konz and freshman Barb Funston.

Ski Team Excels

The Clarkson ski team enjoyed a successful weekend down in Syracuse as the Nordic team placed first at the Drumlins course and the Alpine squad took second behind host Syracuse University at Toggenberg Mountain.

For the Nordic team, sophomore Jeff Eberhardt placed second in the 15 k individual race, followed by classmate Peter Giancola in third and junior Greg Mapstone in sixth.

In Alpine competition, junior Pete Kehoe won the gold medal in the giant slalom with the two fastest runs on the mountain for a combined winning time of 128:08.

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Revier Shatters Two Marks

Leslie Revier, establishing herself as one of the state's best track athletes, won three more events at last weekend's NAC indoor track meet at St. Lawrence.

The senior broke two Section 10 records as she led her Norwood-Norfolk teammates to the first place finish in the meet, by far, the Flyer girls' finest performance in 1986. She won the triple jump with a leap of 35'10.2", a Section record. Another record, in the long jump, fell to the leaping Flyer, who covered 18'5.5" of real estate, one of the best effortd in the state. She wasn't finished just yet. Revier ran the 300 yard dash in a quick 43.9 to complete her third straight triple.

Steve McDonald, a fine athlete in his own right, equaled Revier's feat with a triple of his own. He took first in the 1000 yard run, 55 hurdles (7.6), and the 600 (1:24.1) as he led the N-N boys to a second place finish behind Malone. Greg Hill, a fine long distance runner, was the winner in the two mile run in a time of 9:59.3.

Potsdam's track unit was paced by a double from junior sprint star John Herrick. Herrick won the 55 yard dash in 6.8 and then took the long jump. The Stoner boys placed fourth, behind Malone, N-N, and OFA, while the girls were seventh.

Sean Johnson, from Malone, won the triple jump in an impressive 41'3.25", and Fenlong, from South Jefferson, ran an impressive mile time of 4:34.5 in other indoor track highlights.

Track Summaries

BOYS MEET

Team Totals: Malone 105, NORWOOD-NORFOLK 73, OFA 66.5, POTSDAM 39.5, South Jefferson 36, Thousand Islands 28, Gouverneur 17, Canton 15, South Grenville 8, Brockville Collegiate Institute 4.

2 Mile Relay - Malone 8:40.5, 55 Hurdles - McDonald (N-N) 7.6, 1600 - Fenlong (SJ) 4:34.5, 55 - Herrick (P) 6.8, 300 - Russell (Mal) 38.2, 600 - McDonald (N-N) 1:24.1, 1000 - McDonald (N-N) 2:39.5, TJ Johnson (Mal) 41' 3.25", 3200 Hill (N-N) 9:59.3, SP - Patell (Mal) 45' 1.5", PV - McGuire (Mal) 12', Mile Relay - OFA 3:44.7, Sprint Relay - Malone 1:19.4, HJ - Meahsaw (Mass) 6' 1".

GIRLS MEET

Team Totals: N-N 72, Gouverneur 68, Canton 55, OFA 51, South Grenville 44, Malone 43, Potsdam 41, Thousand Islands 23, South Jefferson 21, Salmon River 20, Madrid-Waddington 2.

Race Walk - Riguotto (SG) 7:11.5, 2 Mile Relay - N-N 10:48.6, SP - Langtry (G) 35' 1", 55 H - Brault (SJ), 1500 - Rigutto (SG), 55 - Munson (Mass) 7.7, HJ - Thompson (C) 5' 2", 600 - Rasmussen (C) 1:44.3, LJ - Revier (N-N) 18' 5.5", 300 - Revier (N-N) 43.9, 1000 - Lauzon (SR) 3:11.4, 3000 - Lauzon (SR) 1::59.8, Mile Relay - SJ 4:36.8, Sprint Relay - OFA 1:32.0, TJ - Revier (N-N) 35' 10.25".

K Of C Foul Shot Winners

The Knights of Columbus Council 2309 from the Norwood, Norfolk, and Raymondville area announces the winners of their 1986 foul shooting contest.

In the girls division, the 11-year-old winner was Christine Hazen, the 12-year-old champ was Darcy Levac, Kim Reed won the 13-year-old division, and Tina Ober was best for 14-year-olds.

In the boys division, the 11-year-old winner was Craig Walker, Mark Henry won th 12-year-old age group, Jon Paige took home the 13-year-old division trophy, and Rusty McLaughlin was the winner among 14-year-olds.

Each of these winners received a plaque donated by the local council and will advance to the District shoot-offs Feb. 1 at the A.A. Kingston Middle School in Potsdam.

The council wishes to thank the foul shooting committee of George Gang, Alfred Gotch, James Murray, Timothy Murray, and Mark Tebo for their time and effort.

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