

This Week In Brunswick Sports

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28

- West Brunswick at Dixon in wrestling, 7 p.m.
- Brunswick County Men's Basketball League at Charlotte Middle School: Cars of Distinction vs. UCB Nets, 7 p.m.; Lakers vs. Warriors, 8:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

- South Brunswick hosts West Brunswick in basketball, 5 p.m.
- North Brunswick hosts Fairmont in basketball, 5 p.m.
- Brunswick County Men's Church Basketball League at Waccamaw Elementary School: Camp Methodist vs. Charlotte Presbyterian, 6:30 p.m.; Ocean View vs. Emanuel Outreach, 7:30 p.m.; Jennies Branch vs. Mount Olive, 8:30 p.m.; Letties Grove vs. Zion Baptist, 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

- Brunswick County High School Wrestling Tournament, North Brunswick, 11 a.m. Admission is \$2 at the door.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- West Brunswick hosts Fairmont in basketball, 5 p.m.
- Brunswick County Men's Church Basketball League at Waccamaw Elementary School: Zion Baptist vs. Ocean View, 7 p.m.; Jennies Branch vs. Camp Methodist, 8 p.m.; Mount Olive vs. Friendship Baptist, 9 p.m.
- Brunswick County Co-Rec Volleyball League at Charlotte Middle School: Rita's Team vs. Richard Jones Construction, 7 p.m.; Brunswick Community College vs. A&A Auto Rentals, 7:50 p.m.; Roberto's Pizza vs. Brunswick Community College, 8:40 p.m.; Kari's Team vs. Gene's Auto Body, 9:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- West Brunswick hosts Socastee in wrestling, 7 p.m.
 - Brunswick County Men's Basketball League at Charlotte Middle School: Lakers vs. Cars of Distinction, 7 p.m.; UCB Nets vs. Natural Lites, 8:15 p.m.
- This week's listings include events reported to the *Beacon*. To list a sporting activity call 754-6890 or write to Doug Rutter, *The Brunswick Beacon*, P.O. Box 2558, Shallotte, N.C. 28459.

Greenwood Aces 17th Hole At Brick Landing

Bob Greenwood made a hole in one at Brick Landing's 17th hole last Friday to highlight the Calabash Veterans Golf Association tournament.

Greenwood aced the par-three, 90-yard hole using a pitching wedge, and he also was a member of the winning team in the captain's choice event.

Playing partners were Bud Mullikin, Dick Ringer and Harry Knowles. They shot a 67 to win by one stroke.

On a match of cards, second place went to the foursome of Bob Christian, Bill Reese, Bob Phillips and Ed Wood.

Finishing third, also with 68, was the team of Al Branham, Carl Foster, Bill Johnson and Lew Meyer.

On Jan. 15, John Nelson finished with six points to win the Calabash Veterans Stableford event at Beachwood.

Runners-up included Bob Greenwood with five points and Alan Kleitchka with three points.

Five players tied with two points. On a match of cards, Dick Ringer placed fourth, followed by Lou Sommers, J.J. Quigley, Bob Urbach and K.C. Anderson.

Sea Trail Ladies

Heni Moulton fired a net 26 to lead the first flight in the Sea Trail Ladies Golf Association tournament last Wednesday.

Golfers counted scores on par three and par fives only. Runners-up in the top flight were Carol Patridge with 26.5, Nancy Williams with 28 and Jan Rick with 30.5.

Second flight winners included Jane Bye and Phyllis Manfred, who tied for first place with scores of 31.5. Betty Dawley was second with 32.

Top finishers in the third flight included Betty Geesey with 26, Janet Coniglio with 37 and Elaine Lawrenson with 39.

Birdies were carded by Patridge



at the first hole, Dawley at the third and Lawrenson at the eighth.

Brick Landing

Alice Grossman placed first in the top flight in the Brick Landing Ladies Golf Association tournament last Thursday.

Golfers dropped scores on their two worst holes on the front nine and back nine. June Beck finished second.

In the second flight, top finishers were Martha Cullen and Ginny Hohing. Pat Taylor had a chip-in at the eighth hole.

Brierwood Men

The team of Matt Monaghan, Bill Allen, Jerry Lula and Norman Roy fired a 32 to win the rain-shortened Brierwood Men's Golf Association best ball tournament last Thursday.

Finishing one shot back in second place was the team of Jim Roach, Gene Cordisco, Bill Goldsberry and Joe Reiter. Dave Harper, Howard Bayne, Al Hierman and Ned Dye placed third with a 34.

In the nine-hole mixed scramble last Wednesday, the foursome of John Twomey, Jim Roach, Norman Roy and Dede Havena finished first with a two-under-par round of 34.

On Jan. 18, the team of Jim Crosby, Morris Hall, Norman Roy and Matt Monaghan shot 131 to win the two best ball event at Brierwood.

Placing second with a 135 was the foursome of Jim Roach, Odie

Johnson, Bill Allen and Paul Keeley.

Two teams tied for third place. Dave Harper, Al Hierman, Bob Warchem and Jack Akers shot 138 to tie the group of Bill Goldsberry, Gene Cordisco, Joe Reiter and Emile Vrydaghs.

Nifty Niners

Kathleen Brennan fired the low gross of 60 in the Carolina Shores Nifty Niners tournament last Thursday at Ocean Isle Beach Golf Course.

The runner-up was Jeanne Shields with 70. On a match of cards, Bette Rectenwald edged Peggy Goode for third place after both women shot 71.

Under the tournament format, golfers reduced their two worst scores to par and used full handicaps.

Goode placed first with net 19. On a card match, Shields placed second with 28. Ellen Erickson also had 28. Brenna; finished fourth with 30, followed by Trudy Bunt, also with 30.

Sea Trail Men

Frank Giampietro and Gerry Nappy shot 64 to win the Sea Trail Men's Golf Association better ball of twosome tournament last Tuesday.

Finishing one shot back in second place were the teams of Bob Graham and John Gregory, and Wayne Ruff and Howard Van Dusen.

Tied for fourth at 66 were the teams of Ray Washam and Bill Kimball and Bill Jones and Victor Hahn.

Gene Williams and Dave Llewellyn took sixth place with a 67, and Dick Matheny and Bob Kakos placed seventh with 68.

Closest-to-the-pin winners were Ron Hayes at the second hole,

Matheny at the fifth, Herb Yost at the 13th and Williams at the 17th.

Carolina Shores Ladies

Lynn Jerr fired a net 74 to lead the first flight in the Carolina Shores Ladies Golf Association individual low net event Jan. 14.

Dot Meader led the second flight with 82, followed by Jean Sperry with 88. Sperry edged Barbara Brooks and Sue Greiner on a match of cards.

In the third flight, Jackie Distler led the way with a round of 80. Gerry Burdick finished three shots back in second place.

Top finishers in the fourth flight were May Robertson with net 87 and Lil Haupt with 95.

Brooks had low putts for the day with 31. Ann Hierman had a birdie at the eighth hole.

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SPORTING SCENE

Wrestling Here To Stay In County High Schools

Anyone who doubts that wrestling will stick in Brunswick County's high schools hasn't been to a match this season and witnessed the intensity of the athletes—AND THE FANS.

Wrestling is here to stay, and although basketball still gets the top billing, I look for local high school wrestling to become very popular in the next five years.

First of all, wrestling is an excellent sport for young kids and high school kids. It teaches discipline, and there is probably no tougher sport in terms of physical conditioning.

And despite what you might have seen on television, wrestling in its truest form is a thinking man's sport. The smarter wrestler will often beat his opponent, even if his opponent is stronger.

Wrestling is a great spectator sport. And to be honest, the local fans are pretty knowledgeable. This from a graduate of Lock Haven University, where wrestling is more important than life itself.

Most local fans seem to know the single-leg take down, the number of points awarded for a reversal and the strategy of putting certain wrestlers in certain weight classes.

The South Brunswick-West Brunswick match two Fridays ago was one of the best I've seen in Brunswick County. Fans saw two quality teams on the mat that night and were treated to a great competition.

Of course, the intensity of the West-South match didn't even come close to matching this season's first West-North encounter. I'll never forget that one in the Lincoln Primary School gym.

In many ways, North has the best site for a wrestling match. The Lincoln gym is dark, tiny and noisy. The North fans are vocal and take their wrestling seriously, which makes Lincoln a great home for the Scorpions.

Anyway, West Brunswick paid a visit three weeks ago and the underdog Scorp put up a valiant effort to win the match by one point. That was until a controversial point deduction was announced and the match ended in a tie.

The joint erupted like a volcano. I was standing at the scorer's table and narrowly escaped being sucked into the middle of a spinning pile of angry wrestlers and fans.

The reaction may have been out of line, but it showed that wrestling is important to local kids and their parents. It showed that wrestling means something to these people. It's not just a passing fancy.

High school basketball rules the winter sports season in Brunswick County, and it probably always will. North Carolinians love their basketball. Brunswick Counties are no exception.

But wrestling has come a long way in the short time it has been offered to local kids. The youngsters, ages 10 and under, have taken to it like fish to water. When they reach the high schools, wrestling will really take off.

Close But No Cigar

Close but no cigar. That's the only way to describe my recent experience as a contestant in the West Brunswick basketball halftime shootout.

It was intermission of the West Brunswick-North Myrtle Beach game last Saturday. I held my 51 shootout ticket like a nervous kid clutching his pet frog, and was floored when my number was called.

Here's the deal. Make a foul shot, three-point shot and half-court shot in 60 seconds or less and win 250 greenbacks and a hearty, lip-smacking supply of Subway sandwiches.

I was the third and final contestant, and boy did I have a tough act to follow. West Brunswick senior Willie Gore preceded me in the shootout and was the season's first winner. Gee thanks, Willie.

With the crowd still going nuts over Willie's heroics, I stepped to the line and stared daggers at the basket. It was tough coming out of the crowd cold and hitting that free throw. It took me five tries before I finally knocked it down.

After that, the three-pointer was a piece of cake. Amazingly, I swished it through on the first attempt. I got off three shots from half court before time expired. Only one of them had a chance of going in, and it didn't.

Then, with nothing on the line, I took one last heave at the hoop. What's that? Of course I made it. Nothing but net. I have witnesses, 300 or so of my closest friends.

So I didn't win the 250 bucks or the submarines, but I did get a nice ovation after sticking that half-court shot.

Here's a tip for readers aspiring to take their best aim at 250 clams. You gotta play to win. If you don't believe me, just ask Willie.

Doug Rutter
Sports Editor



BOWLING ROUNDUP

Woodmen League Posts Results

Marian Monaghan rolled a 173 high game, 503 scratch series and 626 handicap series in the Woodmen of the World League last Friday at Brunswick County Bowling Center in Shallotte.

Other top finishers were Ellen Benton with a 186 game and 610 handicap series. Lois Ramsey had a high game of 172 and Doreen Alloway rolled a 171.

Handicap series scores included Mary Russ, 641; Rhonda Hewett, 639; Carmin Gainey, 631; Jan White, 626; Vanessa Stanley, 614; Margaret Williams, 614; Cindy Clemmons, 607; Glenda Upchurch, 606; and Carolyn Reynolds, 605.

High rollers among the men included Aaron Jordan with a 203 game, 546 scratch series and 639 handicap series.

Other high scratch and handicap series scores included Thomas Haley, 569, 623; Butch Laster 527, 608; Jim Ramsey, 517, 613; Jimmy Robinson, 505, 601; and Matt Monaghan, 501, 642.

Steve Clemmons rolled a 501 scratch series. Paul Holden had a 623 handicap series and Harold Bland posted a 608.

Men's Classic

Aaron Jordan posted high games of 205 and 253 to lead the Men's Classic League Monday night at Brunswick Bowling Center. Jordan had the high scratch series of 636 and second-highest handicap series with 684.

Other high rollers included Mike Stanley with high games of 207 and 218, a 608 scratch series and 665 handicap series. Lee Harris rolled a 234 game, 603 scratch and 690 handicap.

Kevin Williams had a 221 game, 578 scratch and 656 handicap series, while Rick Joyner Sr. rolled a 215 game, 564 scratch and 645 handicap series.

Other high game rollers were Jimmy Hagler, 207; Wiley Waters, 205; and Dennis Harpster, 203.

RECREATION BRIEFS

Team Needed For Hoop League

One more team is needed for the Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department's Over 30 Basketball League.

Play will begin Feb. 1 at South Brunswick Middle School. The league entry fee is \$250 per team.

Anyone interested in entering a team should contact Joe Rosselli, county athletic coordinator, at 253-4357 or 1-800-222-4790.

Wrestling Tourney Feb. 6

The Brunswick County Parks and Recreation's Youth Wrestling League will hold its county tourna-

ment next Saturday, Feb. 6.

Kids from the Shallotte, Leland and Southport areas will compete in the tournament, which starts at 6 p.m. in Lincoln Primary School.

Brunswick County will host this year's regional youth wrestling tournament Saturday, Feb. 27, starting at 9 a.m. at West Brunswick High School. The state tournament is March 6 in Pinecrest.

The Brunswick County Youth Invitational will be March 13 at South Brunswick High School. Competing will be teams from Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Cary, Apex, Wilmington, Havelock and New Bern.

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