SPORTING SCENE

West Brunswick Home For Playoff Openers

As long as there are no major upsets at this week's Waccamaw Conference Basketball Tournament, West Brunswick's boys and girls will advance to the state 3A play-

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Better yet, both teams will open the playoffs on their home court. The Lady Trojans are scheduled to night, while the boys will enter post-

open the playoffs next Monday season play on Tuesday. West's boys and girls both con-

cluded regular-season play last Friday night with losses to South Brunswick. With 5-7 Waccamaw Conference records, both West Brunswick teams will be number two seeds out of the Waccamaw.

All we know right now is that both first-round playoff games will start at 7 p.m. and the West Brunswick girls and boys will host the third-place teams out of the Triangle Conference.

We won't know the opponents by name until the conference basketball tournaments are concluded this week. In both cases, boys and girls, it will either be Harnett Central or Cape Fear paying a visit to Shallotte.

West Brunswick's girls will be making their fourth straight appearance in the state playoffs, while the Trojan boys are making their first trip to the post-season party in three years.

South Brunswick's girls also have qualified for the state playoffs. As the top 3A seed out of the Waccamaw Conference, the Lady Cougars will receive a first-round bye and an automatic berth in the sectional semifinals.

Coach Mike Isenberg's girls will open the playoffs next Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. at Campbell University against either the second-place team from the Mid-Piedmont Conference or the third-place team out of the Triad Conference.

Raleigh Bound

If my little red Subaru can make it all the way to Raleigh this weekend, I'm planning to take in the N.C. State-Wake Forest basketball game on Saturday afternoon.

It will be the final home game this season for the Wolfpack, which started off slowly but has probably shown more improvement during the course of the season than any other team in the ACC.

West Brunswick High School product Ricky Daniels has been a big part of that turn-around. I'm looking forward to watching Ricky perform and meeting with him after the game.

NMB 68, Shallotte 66

It's never been an ambition of mine to become a police officer, but I couldn't pass up an invitation to play for the Shallotte Police Department basketball team Saturday night.

The locals took on a VERY physical North Myrtle Beach Police Department team in a charity game at Loris Elementary School and lost by the slimmest of margins, 68-66.

Not that it really matters, but Shallotte could have won easily had the officials actually watched the game. I could have sworn I saw NMB Police

badges pinned to their zebra suits. I found it quite interesting that Shallotte Officer Keith Croom was called for two fouls while he sat next to me on the bench.

The scoreboard/clock operator also seemed about 10 cents short of a quarter. I think he checked his brain at the door because every time Shallotte scored, North Myrtle Beach was rewarded with points.

Chief Rodney Gause wants a rematch. Stay tuned.

Veteran Ferster Wins First Racing Title

It was a long time coming, but veteran remote-control race car driver Eddie Ferster has won his first points championship in the Southern R/C Motorsports Club.

A Shallotte resident and driver of the Kodak Chevrolet, Ferster held off Doug Alsbrooks and the True Value Ford by 19 points to win the club's winter season points champi-

Ferster finished with 220 points. Alsbrooks followed with 201, and rookie driver Ricky Danford checked in with 198. Al Ward finished with 196 points and Paul Holden had 190 to round out the top five.

Danford, driver of the Hooters Ford, was honored as the Outstanding Rookie for the winter season, while STP Pontiac driver Lynn Gause received the Hard Charger

The Southern R/C Motorsports Club is a group of local racing enthusiasts who race tiny, remote-control Winston Cup cars. They compete on

a concrete track south of Shallotte. The club has adopted a new format for the 1994 season, which will begin this Sunday, March 6. This season will include 22 races and

continue through November. The 1994 race schedule is as follows: March 6, 19, 20; April 9, 10, 24; May, 1, 15, 29; June 12, 26; July 10, 24; August 7, 21, 28; September 11, 25; October 9, 23; November 6,

Qualifying starts at 5:30 p.m. and races begin at 6 p.m. each day. The first rain date will be Nov. 27, and subsequent rain dates have been scheduled Sept. 10 and Oct. 8.

Also new for the 1994 season is the Grand National Class. This new class of racing will allow newcomers to get started without having to spend the money needed for Winston Cup racing.

Grand National cars are identical to Winston Cup cars except for the body. They cost about \$250 each, which is about one-third the cost of the Winston Cup cars used by club members

In addition to helping new drivers, the Grand National Class will give experienced racers the opportunity to brush up on their "tightquarters" driving skills.

Southern R/C Motorsports has scheduled eight joint racing sessions this year with a group from the Myrtle Beach, S.C., area.

The local club will host the South Carolinians on March 6, April 10, May 29 and June 26. Road trips to the Coastal R/C Speedway in Socastee have been slated March 27, May 22, June 5 and July 17. Race times at both tracks will be 3 p.m. during joint sessions.

Anyone interested in joining the Southern R/C Motorsports Club should contact a member or visit the track on race day. The public also is welcome at the races, and admission



TOP FINISHERS in the Southern R/C Motorsports winter racing season included (front row, from left) Ricky Danford, Outstanding Rookie; Lynn Gause, Hard Charger Award; (back row, from left) Eddie Ferster, first place; and Doug Alsbrooks, second place.

Traveling south, the track entrance The track is located about 4.5 is the second driveway on the left miles south of Shallotte on U.S. 17. past Holden Brothers Produce.

SOUTHERN R/C MOTORSPORTS

| Winter Season Points Standings | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Pos. | | Town | Car | Points | | | |
| 1 | Eddie Ferster | Shallotte | Kodak Chevy | 220 | | | |
| 2 | Doug Alsbrooks | Holden Bch | True Value Ford | 201 | | | |
| 3 | Ricky Danford | Shallotte | Hooters Ford | 198 | | | |
| 4 | Al Ward | Thomasboro | ValvolineFord | 196 | | | |
| 5 | Paul Holden | Ocean Isle | Raybestos Ford | 190 | | | |
| 6 | Paul Hope | Ocean Isle | Black Cat Ford | 184 | | | |
| 7 | Lynn Gause | Shallotte | STP Pontiac | 175 | | | |
| 8 | Timmy Hewett | Civietown | Motorcraft Ford | 168 | | | |
| 9 | William Smith | Holden Bch | Sunoco Oldsmobile | 161 | | | |
| 10 | Jerry Todd | Grissettown | Interstate Chevy | 144 | | | |
| 11 | Elton Bland | Grissettown | Goodrich Chevy | 140 | | | |
| 12 | Frankie Stephens | Ash | MGD Pontiac | 136 | | | |
| 13 | David Buffkin | Grissettown | Havoline Ford | 116 | | | |
| 14 | David Danford | Shallotte | Budweiser Ford | 69 | | | |
| 15 | Kenny Holden | Grissettown | M. Yellow Pontiac | 50 | | | |
| 16 | Stevie Somersett | Grissettown | Maxwell House Ford | | | | |
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| Friday | 4 | 12:59 | 1:17 | 7:11 | 7:2 |
| Saturday | 5 | 2:03 | 2:23 | 8:16 | 8:3 |
| Sunday | 6 | 3:09 | 3:28 | 9:20 | 9:3 |
| Monday | 7 | 4:11 | 4:29 | 10:20 | 10:3 |
| Tuesday | 8 | 5:08 | 5:24 | 11:13 | |
| Wednesday | 9 | 5:58 | 6:13 | | |
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min. high tide, subtract 8 min. low tide. BALD HEAD ISLAND—subtract 10 min. high tide, subtract 7 min. low tide. SOUTHPORT-add 7 min. high tide, add 15 min. low tide.

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Bonnie Decker

Leads Bowlers Bonnie Decker rolled a high game

of 211 and a 564 series to lead the women last Friday in the Woodmen

of the World Mixed League at

Brunswick County Bowling Center.

cluded Gloria Bland, 193, 497;

Linda Fluegel, 189, 484; Doreen

Alloway, 182, 440; Beverly Will-

iams, 181, 489; Lois Ramsey, 180,

465; Cathy Lewis, 175, 430; and

Leading the men last Friday were

Terry Decker with a 225 high game

and 541 series, Jim Ramsey with a

197 game and 551 series and Roland

Decker with a 196 game and 553 se-

Also posting high scores were

Donald Robbins, 191, 486; Cliff

Schaefer, 190, 476; Waddell Evans, 188, 516; Jimmy Pierce, 188, 465;

Robey Heavener, 186, 524; 1 loyd

Fields, 185, 508; Mike Bellamy,

184, 459; and Marty Clemmons,

181, 465.

Marsha Hardee, 174, 440.

Other top women finishers in-

OVER 30 LEAGUE

Gang Beats Riders

Galloways Gang thrashed the previously-undefeated Mule Riders 75-55 last Monday in a Brunswick County Over 30 Men's Basketball League game. Curtis Marshall scored a game-

high 24 points for Galloways Gang (3-1), and Buddy Milliken had 18 for the Mule Riders (4-1). The Top Guns (3-1) posted a pair

of wins last week, starting with an 82-60 win over Dosher Hospital on Monday. Olden Vaught scored 20 points for the Top Guns, and Larry Johnson had 31 for Dosher.

Last Thursday, Donald Stanley scored 34 points to lead the Top Guns to an 88-60 win over the Wan-

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nabes. Henry Randolph scored 19 points in a losing cause for the Wannabes.

In Thursday's other game, the Has Beens edged Dosher Hospital 66-64. Tim Bridgers scored 27 points for the winners, and Johnson poured in a game-high 34 points for the hospital.

Brunswick County Over 30 Men's League Standings As Of Feb. 27

| team | wins | Losses |
|-----------------|------|--------|
| Mule Riders | 4 | 1 |
| Galloways Gang | 3 | 1 |
| Top Guns | 3 | 1 |
| Wannabes | 2 | 2 |
| Has Beens | 1 | 3 |
| Dosher Hospital | 0 | 5 |

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