

Recreation REPORT

DRIBBLE, PASS AND SHOOT CONTEST

On Saturday, Feb. 27, the Edenton Optimist Club will sponsor a Dribble, Pass and Shoot Contest for girls and boys ages 15-and-under. The contest will be held at the Recreation Department and will begin at 1 p.m. Anyone interested in participating should sign up at the Rec. Dept. For more information, call Mark at 482-8595.

TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The Recreation Department will sponsor a Table Tennis Tournament on Tuesday, March 2. It will be held at the D.F. Walker Elementary School gym and will begin at 6 p.m. Categories include 16-and-under Singles and Doubles, Open A Singles, Open B Singles, and Open Doubles. Cost is \$2 per person, per category, and the entry deadline is Friday, Feb. 26. For more information, call Preston or Mary at 482-8595.

INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUES

The Rec. Dept. will offer Indoor Soccer Leagues this spring for girls and boys ages 5-6 and 7-9 (age on April 1, 1999). Registration will be taken March 1-5, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call the Rec. Dept. at 482-8595.

YOUTH BASEBALL/ SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Registration for youth baseball and softball leagues will be held the week of March 22.

More details later.

VOLLEYBALL FREE PLAY
Volleyball free play is held at the D.F. Walker gym on Thursday nights. Play begins at 7:30 and there is no fee to participate. For more details, call Mary at 482-8595.

STEP AEROBICS CLASSES

The Rec. Dept. is now offering three additional aerobics classes during the week. They will be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at 8:15 at the Rec. Dept. (old Armory). The classes will incorporate high/low impact and step aerobics. Participants are asked to provide their own mat and weights (1-3 pound dumbbells are suggested). Cost is \$3 per class or \$20 per month. For more details, call the instructor at 482-8709.

The aerobics classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays continues to be held in the basement of Swain Auditorium at 9 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. Cost is \$2 per class. For more details, call Connie at 482-2242.

MITE BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Final standings in the Mite League are as follows: Honeybees 7-0, Stingers 6-1, Hornets 5-2, Buzzers 4-3, Wasps 3-4, Hive 2-5, Swarm 1-6, and Jackets 0-7.

MIDGET BOYS LEAGUE

Final standings in the Mite League are as follows: Nuggets 7-0, Kings 6-1, Bulls 5-2, Rockets 3-4, Jazz 3-4, Sixers 3-4, Celtics 1-6, and Knicks 0-7.

OVER 30 BASKETBALL

Final standings in the League are as follows: Regulator 9-1, C.A. Perry 8-2, P.T. Express 6-4, Believer's Victory Center 3-7, Get Fresh Crew 3-7, and George C. Moore 1-9.

Lady Aces fall to Manteo in N-AC semis, host opening-round playoff tilt tonight

BY BRIAN ZUMBANO
The Daily Advance

WILLIAMSTON — When the Edenton Holmes girls basketball team last met Northeastern-Albemarle Conference rival Manteo on Feb. 2, the Lady Aces handed the Lady Redskins their first league loss of the season.

In last Thursday's N-AC tournament semifinals, Manteo returned the favor by knocking off Edenton 42-32.

"If you would have told me before the game that (Manteo) wouldn't score more than 42 points, I would have taken that," Edenton coach Fred White said. "There was no lack of effort on our part, we just didn't run the offense the way I would have liked us to."

Neither squad could get its offense going early on as the two teams combined for a mere 11 first-quarter points. But holding a 6-5 lead at the start of the second period, the Lady Redskins started to find their stroke.

Manteo began the second quarter with a 14-5 run to take a 20-10 lead with three minutes remaining before halftime. But

Edenton responded, and when Lady Aces' point guard Courtney Bass hit a pull-up jumper with 1:30 left, Edenton had pulled within seven.

But as time ran out in the half, a tough Edenton defense forced Lady Redskin guard Tori Wineland to force up a 3-pointer from a foot behind the arc. Wineland's attempt banked in at the buzzer and gave Manteo a 25-15 lead at the break.

The Lady Aces (17-7) lost more ground in the third quarter as the offense managed only two field goals in the period. Trailing 38-23 going into the final frame, Edenton had one last chance. Facing a 42-27 deficit with 3:54 remaining in the game, Bass came up with a steal, drove in for the layup and got fouled in the process. After she nailed the free throw, the Lady Aces had life, trailing 42-30 with 1:27 left. But Edenton could muster only two more points the rest of the way en route to the loss.

Bass led all scorers with 18 points while drawing praise from her coach.

"She played a great game out there," White said. "She tried

to take the game over but she had to be tired by the end with the way she played."

The Lady Aces, the N-AC's top-seeded 2-A team, will try their luck in the state playoffs tonight at 7 p.m. when they host a second-round game after a first-round bye. Despite the disappointing loss to Manteo, White thinks his troops will be ready.

"They feel bad about the loss, but they'll bounce back," he said. "The girls have done everything I've asked them. As far as how this team has progressed, they're right where I wanted them to be. The state playoffs are just a matter of

advancing. They wins don't have to be pretty, just so we advance."

EDENTON (32) — C. Bass 6 6-9 18, T. Griffin 2 0-0 4, M. Carter 0 0-0 0, T. Armstead 2 0-1 4, T. Coston 1 0-0 3, H. Regulski 0 1-2 1, M. Pruden 0 0-0 0, Hillary Jilcott 0 0-0 0, Holly Jilcott 0 0-2 0, L. Harrell 0 0-0 0, A. Broadnax 0 2-4 2. **Totals: 11 9-18 32. 3-pointers: Coston 1.**

MANTEO (42) — J. Crews 1 1-2 3, T. Wineland 1 1-3 4, S. Montague 5 7-8 17, K. Haywood 1 0-0 2, M. Holland 3 2-2 8, M. Silver 2 2-4 6, D. Basarah 0 2-2 2. **Totals: 13 15-21 42. 3-pointers: Wineland 1.**

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Edenton Steamers gearing up for '99 baseball season

Even as a blast of arctic air swooped down on the area this week, college baseball has opened its season and the Edenton Steamers baseball club has announced its 1999 schedule.

The Steamers open the summer schedule on Friday, June 4 in Manteo for a matchup with the Outer Banks Daredevils. The Steamers host the Daredevils the following night, June

5, for their home opener in Edenton. First pitch is set for 7 p.m.

The Coastal Plain League has had a busy off-season, adding the Daredevils and franchises in Thomasville and Asheboro. The Daredevils return to the league this summer after a one-year absence.

"It's been great to have the

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Scholarships available for athletes with asthma

The 15th annual Asthma Athlete Scholarship Program for high school scholar-athletes with asthma is currently underway.

Sponsored by Schering/KEY, the "Will to Win" program will grant \$35,000 in scholarships to 10 high school seniors who

have achieved athletic success in spite of the challenge of competing with asthma. The winner will receive a \$10,000 Gold Award, with four \$5,000 Silver Awards and five \$1,000 Bronze Awards also to be distributed.

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