

BOWLING

USD Faculty/Staff Bowling League
Prairie Lanes
April 2, 2014

Teams	Won	Lost
Opus Canards	200.5	129.5
Decoy	189.5	140.5
Mighty Mallards	169.0	161.0
Harlequin Eiders	161.0	169.0
Wood Ducks	157.5	172.5
Velvet Scoters	155.0	175.0
Pintails	147.0	183.0
Flying V	140.5	189.5
High Scr Game-Team	Score	
Pintails	586	
Pintails	585	
Mighty Mallards	536	
High Scr Series-Team	Score	
Pintails	1651	
Mighty Mallards	1472	
Harlequin Eiders	1455	
High Scr Game-Men	Score	
Donald Duck	180	
Brandon Hendrickson	180	
Chris Feit	165	
High Scr Series-Men	Score	
Chris Feit	459	
Donald Duck	449	
Brandon Hendrickson	449	
High Scr Game-Women	Score	
Cindy Osborne	163	
Darlis LaBahn	153	
Darlis LaBahn	144	
High Scr Series-Women	Score	
Darlis LaBahn	440	
Cindy Osborne	409	
Laura Kuschel	374	
High Hcp Game-Team	Score	
Velvet Scoters	849	
Flying V	840	
Decoy	839	
Opus Canards	839	
High Hcp Series-Team	Score	
Flying V	2420	
Velvet Scoters	2408	
Pintails	2386	
High Hcp Game-Men	Score	
Sean Coyne	247	
Donald Duck	247	
Brandon Hendrickson	247	
High Hcp Series-Men	Score	
Sean Coyne	653	
Donald Duck	650	
Brandon Hendrickson	650	
High Hcp Game-Women	Score	
Cindy Osborne	239	
Vanessa Hamaker	228	
Laura Kuschel	219	
High Hcp Series-Women	Score	
Cindy Osborne	637	
Vanessa Hamaker	632	
Laura Kuschel	611	

O'Connell strong in competition, beliefs



The University of South Dakota's Jeff O'Connell lands in the sand during the men's long jump at Saturday's USD Snowbird track meet at Williams Field in Yankton. O'Connell won the event with a mark of 24 feet, 0.25 inches.

(Photo by Jeremy Hoeck/P&D)

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It looked like a basketball team huddle.

Far from it, though. That sight before the men's 100-meter dash at Saturday's University of South Dakota Snowbird track meet at Yankton's Williams Field was, instead, more of a pre-race prayer.

In the middle was Jeff O'Connell, a junior who has become known for not only his versatility for the Coyote men's program but for those brief gatherings.

"I thought that would be great to add to my life," O'Connell said Monday, two days after he won two events and finished second in another at the meet. "I wanted to bring that aspect of my life into track and field; just trying to combine the two.

"It's all about doing what I can with the opportunity I've been given, and to help spread the word of God."

O'Connell, a native of small-town Philip, picked up the idea of pre-event prayer services during a NCAA Student-Athlete Leadership Forum back in November 2012 down in Dallas.

And so, he began incorporating a similar prayer with any willing event participant — much like

O'Connell did Saturday before the 100. For the record, and not that it had anything to do with the gathering, he finished second in the event, with the fourth-best time in the league of 10.98.

"Right after we hear the rules (from the official), I offer up to everybody that if they want to join in, I'll have a quick prayer," O'Connell said.

Has he found receptive ears? "It really works out well when we have people from our conference at the same meets, but the other schools have been great about it too," he said. "At the (indoor) conference meet, a couple guys from Illinois brought over their teammates.

"It was really cool." It was at the Summit League indoor meet, from Feb. 28-March 1 in Fort Wayne, IN, that O'Connell proved just how much he means to the USD men's program.

Though he didn't win an event, he still managed to score 19 points for the Coyotes — behind Jeff Mettler (24), the men's track MVP, and Brandon Kovash (20), who won the 60-meter dash and 200 — who won their second consecutive indoor championship.

In a sport that requires title contending teams to utilize its depth to rack up the points, O'Connell was especially

important.

"He goes under the radar because those other guys win events and get recognized, but in all honesty, he was very valuable to us winning," USD men's coach Dave Gottsleben said.

O'Connell is one of those athletes you could throw into just about any event and he'd find success, Gottsleben added, but he leads the Summit League in two events. O'Connell ranks first in the conference in the 200 (21.59) and long jump (24-0.25), and both of those marks were set Saturday in Yankton.

And yes, his faith plays a big role in what he does on the track or in the pits.

"So many things correlate between track and your faith. You put a lot of work into both, and a lot of my faith drives my motivation within athletics," O'Connell said.

Where as in the past he might try to compartmentalize his priorities — keeping them separate — within his life, O'Connell has decided that merging the two has paid off in spades.

"When you only have to be one person, it's just easier to be yourself and do everything as one person," he said.

O'Connell's pre-event prayer isn't only about religion, Gottsleben said, it's about keeping

perspective and having fun along the way.

"He picked up that at the NCAA convention, when they told people to be a little more dynamic and embrace what you're doing," Gottsleben said. "It's all about being positive."

Although USD is a liberal arts — and not a faith-based — university, it has increasingly found ways for athletes to celebrate their faith together, O'Connell said. He pointed to Bible studies, prayer groups, the Newman Center, among other avenues.

"People can kind of see that we're moving that way as an athletic university, with our athletes," he said. "We're a liberal arts school, but I feel like this aspect of our campus is getting more recognition."

In that way, might O'Connell be a good example of a small-town South Dakota kid who found academic, athletic and extracurricular success at the Division I level?

"He IS the example," Gottsleben said.

"He came here not really sure where his ability level was, but he was very motivated to be a D-I athlete," the coach said. "And he's really helped us. From his freshman year on, he's been unbelievable."

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Concordia Lutheran Church (LC-MS) 7 South University Street, Vermillion. Divine Service — Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School — Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Pastor Samuel Needham. Contact us at (605) 624-3459 or at lcmsvermillion.org

ST. AGNES Church, 416 Walker St., Fr. John Fischer: St. Agnes Church and Parish Office, tele. 624-4478. St. Agnes Rectory, 505 Catalina, tele. 624-1995. Mass schedule: 5 p.m. Saturday, 8:00 a.m. and 10:30a.m. Sunday, Weekly Masses — consult weekly bulletin; Sacrament of Penance, Saturday 4-4:45p.m.

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Faith United Lutheran Church, ELCA, 44874 303rd St/Po Box 168, Volin, SD 57072, (605)267-2277. Sunday Worship: 9:30am with Holy Communion the 1st & 4th Sundays. WOW Wednesday program beginning at 6:30pm for all children 3 yrs old - 7th grade, and confirmation classes for those in grades 8th & 9th.

FIRST BAPTIST Church Elmer "Sandy" Aakre, Pastor 624-6391 home, 624-4658 church. Time: 9:15 Sunday School, 10:30 Worship. Sunday Choir Practice, 11:50 a.m.

GAYVILLE LUTHERAN Church: Sunday School 9:15 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor Ralph Egbert.

GOSPEL CHAPEL Church, 708 Jessie St./Highway 12, Newcastle, NE. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.; AWANA Wednesday at 7 p.m., 402-355-2305. Pastor Chuck Myers, 402-355-1335.

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