

Upcoming Sports Schedule

Tanager cross country at Beresford	10 a.m. Aug. 26	Tanager volleyball at Lennox	4 p.m. Aug. 30
Tanager football hosts West Central	7 p.m. Aug. 26	USD soccer hosts Wisconsin-Green Bay	11 a.m. Aug. 31
USD soccer hosts Nebraska-Omaha	1 p.m. Aug. 28	Tanager volleyball at South Sioux City	5 p.m. Sept. 1
Tanager golf at Harrisburg	7:30 a.m. Aug. 30	Tanager golf hosts Yankton	1 p.m. Sept. 2

BLUFFS BULLETIN

SENIOR MEN'S FUN LEAGUE

Twenty-four players signed up to play on Aug. 23. The format of the day was match play. Winning teams in no particular order were: Sid Davis, Rex Huska and Milo Gilbertson; Turk Pilker, Cleland Cook and Allen Clem; Bob Lund, Guy Button and Dick Kellogg; Dick Burbach, Jim Reed and Don Baer.

Long birdie putts for this session were Max Anderson with a 45 footer at #8 and Bob Lund a 15 footer at #5. The Senior Men will move to afternoons on Sept. 13, which is the second Tuesday in September.

WEDNESDAY EVENING LADIES LEAGUE

August 17 was the last night for regular league play. The weather was very cooperative but that darn sun keeps setting sooner and sooner. We have to be sure and keep moving or we may not have enough sunlight to finish.

Pat Durkin was the big winner tonight with both longest putt on #15 and she won the 50/50 of a whole \$3. Both Mary Gauer and Mary Mock had birdies tonight on holes #3 and #2 respectively. Low gross was Ruby Plate with a 39 and low net was Cathy Chandler with a 32. Congratulations ladies!

Don't forget to join us for Fun Night next week.

WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES ENJOY TIME TOGETHER AT THE BLUFFS

By Pat Steckelberg

Aug. 18 was another great day. I could not be present but there were 21 ladies at the luncheon.

Edith Nelson and Agnes Mockler were the ladies with the desserts. I am sure they were all great!

The \$5 drawings were won by: Joan Olson and Ramona Kellogg (she miraculously drew her own name!)

The quarters were won by: Barb Boone, Rose Mart, Darlene Engbrecht, Mary Bartels, Janet Hof, and Lorraine Brunick.

The ladies talked about Joan Olson winning BEST OF SHOW in the quilts open class at the Clay County Fair.

Maxine Raab a BLUE RIBBON for her afgan. Great job to you two ladies. I went to the fair and saw their entries ... they were fantastic.

Bridge report: none today as Ellie was not present and will give the report next week.

Golf report: There were 3 golfers and the game of the day was Bingo Bango Bongo.

Edith Nelson was the winner. Today they played on the back nine.

Dominoes report: The game was about medal like at the Olympics. There were three tables.

Round 1: Rose Mart, Mary Bartels, and Dori Ryan.

Round 2: Darlene Engbrecht, Babe Hurowitz, and Maxine Raab.

Round 3: Joan Olson, Mary Bartels, and Agnes Mockler.

Total Score: Judy Sullivan, Vaneta Youngworth, and Sue Kappenmann.

There is always something at The Bluffs on Wednesday to do. Come out and see.

Catch ya at the Bluffs!

DV golf invite moved to The Bluffs

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

With the summer long-impacting the ability to play golf in the Dakota Dunes area, Dakota Valley High School's invitational meet was moved to The Bluffs in Vermillion on Aug. 17.

Dell Rapids edged Harrisburg by a stroke, 310-311, for the team title with Sioux Falls Christian, Dakota

VHS boys soccer defeats St. Thomas More, Freeman Academy

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

It's only August, but after this Saturday, Vermillion's boys soccer varsity team will have only two more home games this fall, so fans should consider seeing the Tanagers host Groton at 9 a.m. at Cotton Park.

Vermillion graduated 11 seniors from last fall's team but nevertheless got off to a good start last Saturday in a 9-5 win over St. Thomas More.

Fifteen minutes into the game, Nathan Samudzi threaded the ball through four STM defenders and into the left corner of the net for a 1-0 lead. Though they fell behind 2-1, the Tanagers regained a tie on Ethan James' beautiful header on a corner kick from Andrew Kost.

Samudzi gave VHS a permanent lead with three more first-half goals. Tanner Settles started the second half with a goal for a 6-2 lead. The Cavaliers rallied to within 6-4, but Samudzi, driving downfield on a two-on-four situation with Kost, scored with 16:34 left. He almost scored again until he was fouled by the STM goalkeeper, who earned a red card and ejection. The penalty kick was converted by James.

One more Cavalier goal was answered by Samudzi for a final 9-5 margin. Alex Robertson, Tanager goalkeeper, unofficially had eight saves.

Four seniors, four juniors, five sophomores, four freshmen, six eighth graders and one seventh grader comprise the Tanager varsity and JV program, so there are ample youngsters to be developed into varsity players of the future. The JVs lost to a much older St. Thomas More junior varsity, 5-2. Tanager goals were scored by Michael Brunick and Joe Miller.

On Tuesday night at home against Freeman Academy, Robertson pitched a shutout until the final minute when a Bobcat attacker lofted a rainbow of a shot that got over Robertson's head and into the top of the net for the visitors' only score in a 4-1 Vermillion victory.

In the early going it was a case of coming close for the Tanagers. A Samudzi shot hit the right post 10



Vermillion's Nathan Samudzi (center) drives the ball between two Bobcat defenders Tuesday during the Tanagers' game with Freeman Academy at Cotton Park. The Vermillion team defeated the Bobcats 4-1.

(Photo by David Lias)

minutes into the game, and a Settles shot caromed off the left post three minutes later. Moments after that, Ethan James' beautiful header into the net was nullified by an offside call.

But with 28:15 to go in the half, Settles started the scoring, and six minutes before the intermission Samudzi made it 2-0.

Just five minutes into the second half Samudzi glided along the right baseline

and zipped the ball past the Bobcat keeper. As the half wore on, the Tanager offense kept applying pressure almost constantly, and Samudzi scored yet again with 15:39 remaining.

Robertson had an unofficial six saves, including a dramatic stop of a head-on shot by a Freeman Academy on a breakaway.

Kost, Brendan Raizola, Michael Brunick and Nick Britten are the seniors

on the VHS club. Settles, Chris Lubbers, Robertson and Christian Wasley are the juniors. James, Samudzi, Austin Druin, Ben Houser and James May are sophomores while Matt Wasley, Sam Tigert, Mikel Giles and Blaine Bottolfson are the freshmen. Miller, Michael Griffin, Daniel Robinson, Brett Hansen, Alec Leber and Hussein Abdulameer are eighth graders, and Seth Druin is a seventh grader.

Tanager softball home openers set for Sunday

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

The second of five Sundays of high school girls softball will be played this weekend, and in Vermillion's case it will be the home openers for the Tanager teams.

Vermillion will host Harrisburg for varsity and JV games with the first pitch slated for 12:30 p.m. The Tanagers began the season at Sherman Park in Sioux Falls last Sunday with the varsity losing to Madison, 10-4, and to Brookings, 9-6. The junior varsity dropped a pair of 12-0 contests to Brookings and West Central.

The varsity was rolling along through two innings against

Madison as Lizzie Bye retired the first six batters she faced. One of the outs came on a spectacular center-field catch by Beth Szymonski. Meanwhile, Vermillion put a 3-0 lead on the board. A first-inning run scored on Bye's triple while an error and an infield grounder off Claire Jones' bat plated a pair of second-inning tallies.

After Madison got one run back in its half of the third, a six-run, seven-hit fourth turned the game around.

Trailing 10-3, the Tanagers got one run back in their last at-bat on an infield out by Sami Girard.

Vermillion had hits in every inning and stranded nine runners in six innings and was out-hit by only 11-10 despite the run

differential. Bye, Sam Schuster and Elly Miller had two hits each.

Brookings jumped out 6-1 after 2 1/2 innings of the late game, but the Tanagers rallied with a four-run third. Three straight walks started the inning, then Szymonski's single, a bases-loaded walk by Shelby Christopherson and a two-run hit by Schuster got Vermillion back into the game. VHS tied the score at 6-6 on a single by Bye in the fourth.

Brookings answered, however, going right to work with two in the fifth and one in the sixth to gain its final three-run advantage.

Brynn Albers pitched for VHS, giving up 14 hits, while the Tanagers accumulated seven, including two by Szymonski.

Tanagers begin fall tennis season at Yankton

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

Vermillion's girls tennis program is still alive, thanks to a spring and summer fund-raising effort that saved the sport from the budget-cutting chopping block.

The Tanagers began the fall season at Yankton's quadrangular meet Saturday, taking advantage of picture-perfect tennis weather. Vermillion lost its duals to Rapid City Stevens and Watertown by 9-0 scores and to Yankton by an 8-1 count.

Vermillion's lone victory of the day came at No. 1 doubles against Yankton when Claire Jones and Valerie Robinson

scored an 11-9 win.

STEVENS 9, VHS 0

Singles

1. Claire Jones lost to Moyle 10-3.
2. Valerie Robinson lost to Messenger 10-1.
3. Jenny Sun lost to Tibbles 10-0.
4. Abby Weiss lost to L. Hammerquist 10-0.
5. Libby Sykes lost to K. Hammerquist 10-0.
6. Shelby Glover lost to Salkauski 10-0.

Doubles

1. Jones/Robinson lost to Moyle/Messenger 10-2.
2. Sun/Weiss lost to Tibbles/L. Hammerquist 10-0.
3. Sykes/Glover lost to K. Hammerquist/Salkauski 10-0.

WATERTOWN 9, VHS 0

Singles

1. Jones lost to Foltz 10-4.
2. Robinson lost to Titze 10-6.

SUN LOST TO HENICKS 10-0.

4. WEISS LOST TO GAUGER 10-0.

5. SYKES LOST TO VACHAL 10-0.

6. GLOVER LOST TO STRAIT 10-0.

Doubles

1. Jones/Robinson lost to Foltz/Henicks 10-6.
2. Sun/Weiss lost to Titze/Vachal 10-0.
3. Sykes/Glover lost to Gauger/Strait 10-2.

YANKTON 8, VHS 1

Singles

1. Jones lost to V. Rockne 10-1.
2. Robinson lost to Klimisch 10-6.
3. Sun lost to Hendersen 10-0.
4. Weiss lost to Gill 10-0.
5. Sykes lost to S. Rockne 10-0.
6. Glover lost to Santos 10-1.

Doubles

1. Jones/Robinson def. V. Rockne/Klimisch 11-9.
2. Sun/Weiss lost to Hendersen/Gill 10-1.
3. Sykes/Glover lost to S. Rockne/Rothenberger 10-0.

St. Thomas More defeats Tanager girls soccer 8-0

By Parker Knox
Sportswriter

A strong St. Thomas More girls soccer team from Rapid City conquered East River last weekend, defeating the Tanagers in Vermillion Saturday morning, 8-0, after winning at Freeman Academy the night before, 9-0.

"St. Thomas More put a lot of pressure on us, outshooting us on shots on goal," said Coach Dave LaCombe about his team's season opener. "We played very well in the first 15 minutes of the game, and then we seemed to lose our focus."

Twelve minutes into the game, Tanager goalkeeper Katie Wasley made a

beautiful save, tipping the ball up and over the crossbar, but the Cavaliers kept applying the pressure and found the net 25 seconds later on a header off a corner kick. Their lead increased to 4-0 by halftime, and STM matched that offensive output in the final 45 minutes.

Wasley, nevertheless, had a good game of 11 saves in the net. Haley Friedel relieved Wasley in the closing minutes and recorded a save of her own.

St. Thomas More won the JV match, 6-1. Madison Regner scored her first goal as a JV player for Vermillion's point.

Huron comes to Cotton Park for a varsity game at 1 p.m. Saturday.



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