

Tanager cross country experiences mix of satisfaction, disappointment

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The 2009 season ended with satisfaction for three of Vermillion's qualifiers at the state cross country meet and extreme disappointment for the fourth.

"Everyone ran well, and we were pleased with their performances," said Coach Kelly Fischbach after the state meet ended in Rapid City Saturday.

Sophie Nehlich-Arobba, who will graduate this year, placed 39th in the girls' race in a time of 16:57.2.

A pair of juniors who qualified for the state boys' race, Alex Card and Robert Osterberg, placed 50th and 94th, respectively. Card ran in 18:42.0, and Osterberg's time was 19:23.0.

The other Vermillion qualifier, sophomore Blair Gilyson, who had returned to action in mid-season after an earlier injury, became ill in Rapid City Friday night. She still decided to try to run on Saturday and did indeed start the race. However, she had to drop out after about 1,000 meters.

"She was disappointed after working so hard to get back into competition," Fischbach said.



Robert Osterberg



Alex Card



Sophie Nehlich-Arobba

THIS WEEK IN VERMILLION 9BALL LEAGUE

By Joe "Mojo" Reiser

This week some fine pool was being played and some not so fine pool was being cast about like some stones at the lake. The latter was the case for my team and myself as we are tied for last in the league.

A note for all teams: the new and revised schedule is out. Maya Janes 4 has been replaced by Careys 2. The league will try to make up the games that have been missed in the first two weeks. If you need a schedule, please call Leo's Sports Bar and Grill and ask for a copy.

The Eagles 1 team has not shot a game. Beware all, these crafty vets will come out with a vengeance. It's so close to Halloween that we should all be scared!!!

Enough of the B.S... let's see who can be proud and who should hang their heads in shame. In a battle at the Char Bar, the Char 1 team lambasted the men of Maya Janes 3 in a 20-5 exhibition. All five of the Char 1 shooters were 4-1 for the night. Wow... congrats to Big Dog, Bill Willoth, Kase Allison, Troy Schaffer and Husker.

The Eagles 2 rolled into Maya Janes 2 and wound up on the short end of a 16-9 butt kicking. Nathan Bork was a perfect 5-0 to lead the MJ2 players. Brian Lambert helped the cause for the home team by going 4-1. Dennis Navarat and DJ Barnett were 3-2 for the Eagles 2.

In a match at Careys, my team (The Carey's 9Ballers) held up pretty good for the first half of the match. All tied at seven... (drum roll please) when Stevie Thiesen won the 15th game for Leo's 1. This put the Leo's 1 boys on a 9-0 run that was the elbow to our cranium. Much like a fighter on their last leg, "Battelin' Ben" Boskie and Justin Snyder won the last 2 games for Careys 1. But it was too little, too late for our Ballers. 16-9 was the score as Leo's 1 road 4 win nights from Mark "Stick" Clark, Thiesen and Travis "Too Tough" Taggart. Alas, we will have to seek our revenge at Prom.

Bunyan's 1 held serve at home and dished out a 15-

10 win over Leo's 3. The "Bombers" were lead by Curtis Mincks and Jody Sailer who banged in four wins each for Bunyan's 1. Jon Brooks posted four wins for Leo's 3.

Leo's 2 defended the sports bar's honor by taking down the Varsity 2 team by a score of 15-10. Ryan Baedke and Jamie Baedke each flexed their pool muscle and won four games. In a statistical anomaly, all members of the Varsity 2 team were two wins and three losses for the night.

And now for the close matches. At Maya Janes 1, Andy Johnson won the fourth of his five matches in the last game, to squeak out a 13-12 win over Bunyan's 2. Josh Kauffman was a three game winner for MJ1. Bunyan's 2 was lead by Dan Semmler with four wins and Blaine Schoellerman with three wins.

The "White Gloves" of Whimps won a close match with the Char 2 gang by a 13-12 score at the Char Bar. Skinny took home four wins for Rob and Glenn Mac who got three victories each. Josh Biever was a four game getter and Ryan "Dino" Denieen got three wins for the Char 2 hustlers.

Leo's 4 did battle at the Varsity 1 and came up a little short. Rian Merrigan was a perfect 5-0 for the Lettermen. Mike "Stew" Stewart also pitched in for three wins. Kurt Kuiper and Jere Chapman each score 3 wins for the Leo's 4 team.

Well, that's all I have for the competitive side of the 9 Ball League. Following is a list of the teams and their win and loss record. Once again I hang my head in shame as my team and I are mired in the cellar. It's kind of murky down here, but we did find some "Rocket Fuel" or it might just be "moon-

shine". Either way, we are going to take a pull and continue to enjoy our competition.

Until next week, we will see you on the felt surface. Thanks, MOJO.

- The standings
- 1)Char 1...32-18.
 - 2)Leo's 1 and Maya Janes 2...31-19.
 - 4)Whimps...29-21.
 - 5)Maya Janes 1...28-22.
 - 6)Varsity 1...27-23.
 - 7)Bunyan's 1...25-25.
 - 8)Eagles 2 and Leo's 2...24-26.
 - 10)Bunyan's 1 and Varsity 2...23-27.
 - 12)Char 2 and Leo's 4...22-28.
 - 14)Leo's 3...21-29.
 - 15)Carey's 1 and Maya Janes 3...19-31.

There were a bunch of 9ball breaks this week. The author of this column, Joe "MOJO" Reiser knocked in a 9Ball against Aaron Baedke, and the following rack, Aaron Baedke knocked in a 9Ball against his opponent. Others who made the 9Ball on the break were, Jeremy Kirkpatrick, Keith "Nitro" Stoes, Gerit Sjolie, Josh Kimlickea and Rob Whatcamacallhim from the White Gloves.

The stellar shooting that won the "Gold Star Performance" were Nathan Bork of Maya Janes 2 and Rain Merrigan of the Varsity 1. Congrats to all of those hot shooters.

The "Bottom of the Barrel" shooters that went 0-5 were Adam Hasse, Rod Teiman and Alex Hodidntgethislastnamedown. In Rod's defense, the word on the street was that, Rod ran into a tough time and only got three shots before retiring for the night.

USD women soccer earns 4-3 win

The University of South Dakota women's soccer team built a 3-1 halftime lead and held on for a 4-3 win over North Dakota in Great West Conference action Sunday in Grand Forks, ND.

USD (4-9-1, 2-2 GWC) evened it mark in the Great West Conference with the win, while North Dakota fell to 1-12-2, 0-5-1 GWC.

The Coyotes started out quickly, scoring in the opening minutes with Erin Bello (Rfr., Fort Collins, CO) scoring off of an assist from Yutzil Rodriguez (Fr., Pierre). Rachael Loomis scored for North Dakota just 23 seconds later to tie the game at 1-1.

Rodriguez scored her first goal as a Coyote at the 12:04 mark to put the Coyotes up 2-1, and minutes later, Sarah Wheeler (Jr., Duluth, MN) scored to put USD up 3-1.

The Coyotes extended the lead to 4-1 when Katie Quinones (Jr., Rochester, MN) scored her team-leading eighth goal of the season, with an assist from Rachel Greene (Fr., Onalaska, WI).

North Dakota battled back late with two goals, but USD held on for the 4-3 win, which was the Coyotes' fourth win over the Sioux this season.

"We came with a clear vision of what to do and what to exploit," said USD head coach Marcia Oliveira. "We did a very good job in the first half and slowed down in the second half. We can't afford to slow down in a game we were dominating. We lost a defensive player to injury and not continuing to produce almost cost us too much. It was chaotic at the end of the game and we need to learn to stay in control. The team did a very good job of fighting to the end. It was nice to beat UND in all of our games this year."

Jennifer Ogren (Jr., Raymore, MO) had seven saves for USD. North Dakota had a 16-14 edge in shots.

Balance, defense help USD volleyball sweep Chicago State

The University of South Dakota volleyball team used a balanced hitting attack and strong defensive effort to sweep Chicago State, 25-12, 25-15, 25-16 in Great West Conference action Friday night in Vermillion.

USD (10-12, 4-3 Great West) hit .298 for the match and had four players with six kills or more. USD also had five solo blocks and 12 assisted blocks, compared to one solo block for Chicago State (0-19, 0-8 GWC).

Bailey Reshel (Fr., Hortonville, IL) and Jenna Hatfield (Sr., Norfolk, NE) each had seven kills for USD. Kim Bulaga (Fr., Crystal Lake, IL) and Kristen Kritenbrink (Jr., Gretna, NE) had six each. Gina Baldwin (Sr., Mitchell) added 28 set assists for USD.

The Coyotes set the tone in the opening set, storming out to a 13-3 lead. Hatfield had three kills during that stretch.

The Cougars got no closer than nine the rest of the way. USD finished off a 25-12 first-set win with Reshel and Tahnee Reed (So., Pierce, NE) teaming up for a block.

The second set started out much like the first, with USD jumping to a 13-3 lead. Reshel had two kills during that early run for USD, while Taylor Russell (Fr., Council Bluffs, IA) had a block and a kill.

Chicago State cut the lead to 14-10, but the Coyotes responded with a decisive 7-2 run to extend their lead to 21-12, keyed by two Hatfield kills and a kill from Russell.

Russell finished off the set

with a kill as USD prevailed 25-15.

The third set was close early as the Cougars tied the score at 8-8. USD rattled off four straight points, which included kills from Kritenbrink, Reshel and Abby Winkels (Fr., Watertown), to take a 13-9 lead. Chicago State got no closer than three the rest of the way, although the Cougars were within 22-16 lead.

However, the Coyotes ended strong, thanks to kills from Ashley Dorale (Fr., Mitchell) and Winkels, along with Reshel and Winkels teaming up for a block. Winkels' kill

finished the set, giving USD a 25-16 win.

Hatfield had four solo blocks and two assists for USD, while Reshel had four block assists.

Kritenbrink had 12 digs while Mallory Mork (Fr., Sac City, IA) added nine.

The Coyotes resume action at noon on Sunday against the New Jersey Institute of Technology in a crucial Great West Conference match. NJIT (14-6, 4-1 GWC), which is tied for first with North Dakota and Utah Valley, lost to the Sioux, 25-20, 25-15, 25-11 on Friday night.

LEAGUE BOWLING

Ladies National League October 13, 2009			Ladies National League October 20, 2009		
Team Name	Won	Lost	Team Name	Won	Lost
Whimp's	104.5	75.5	Whimp's	123.5	86.5
Lamie's Cleaning	100.0	80.0	Market Street	118.0	92.0
Market Street	91.0	89.0	Lamie's Cleaning	111.0	90.0
Aramark	86.5	93.5	Team BK	103.5	106.5
Team BK	84.5	95.5	Aramark	89.5	120.5
Pace's	73.5	106.5	Pace's	84.5	125.5
High Scr. Game-Team	Score	High Scr. Game-Team	Score	High Scr. Game-Team	Score
Aramark	637	Market Street	581		
Pace's	551	Pace's	546		
Market Street	528	Aramark	525		
High Scr. Game	Score	High Scr. Game	Score		
Marion Sprecher	213	Leighann Dunn	183		
Dawna Andersen	193	Marilynne Kaiser	176		
Darlis Labahn	178	Traci Bartekoske	174		
Marilynne Kaiser	175	Judy Barta	160		
Judy Barta	161	Mandy Tweedt	155		
Janis Johnson	155	Janis Johnson	155		
High Scr. Series-Team	Score	High Scr. Series-Team	Score		
Aramark	1805	Market Street	1664		
Whimp's	1530	Whimp's	1506		
Pace's	1517	Aramark	1505		
High Scr. Series	Score	High Scr. Series	Score		
Dawna Andersen	521	Tracie Bartekoske	494		
Marion Sprecher	497	Marilynne Kaiser	457		
Judy Barta	472	Leighann Dunn	445		
Marilynne Kaiser	446	Judy Barta	432		
Darlis Labahn	430	Mary Mock	419		

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