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Upcoming Sports Schedule

Tanager boys golf at home
Tanager football hosts Tea
Tanager volleyball at Luverne, MI
Tanager boys soccer at Huron

Roosevelt, but No. 1 singles

player Claire Jones took her

Rough Rider opponent to a

tiebreaker before losing her

ROOSEVELT 9, VHS 0

1. Claire Jones lost to Kovlen

3. Abby Weiss lost to Shgreau

2. Valerie Robinson lost to

4. Libby Sykes lost to

5. Shelby Glover lost to

6. Rose Steinmeyer lost to

9-0 dual to Sioux Falls

match.

Singles

0-6, 0-6.

3-6, 6-4, 5-10.

Bunkers 2-6, 2-6.

Johnson 0-6, 0-6.

Ronning 0-6, 0-6.

Vandenwade 1-6, 0-6.

10 a.m Sept. 9 7 p.m. Sept. 9 Ν 9 a.m. Sept. 10 1 p.m. Sept. 10

Tanager tennis

Tanager girls soccer at Groton USD football hosts Eastern Wash. Tanager girls soccer at SF Christian Tanager girls tennis at Madison

1 p.m Sept. 10 4 p.m. Sept. 10 6 p.m. Sept. 12 12 p.m. Sept. 13 Tanager boys golf host EP-J Tanager volleyball hosts Sgt. Bluff-Luton Tanager girls tennis hosts Yankton

lanager x-country

faces tough field at

Don Baker Invite

3 p.m. Sept. 13 5 p.m. Sept. 13 3 p.m. Sept. 13

BLUFFS BULLETIN

SENIOR MEN'S FUN LEAGUE

On Aug. 30, match play was the format of the day. Twenty players participated with the following teams victorious: Ross King, Dave Zimmer and Dick Burbach; Shorty Hanson, Cleland Cook and Elmer Mount; then the four man team of Bob Lund, Dave Helseth, Louie Fostvedt and Jerry Sandy.

Long putts for the day went to Shorty Hanson with a 39-foot birdie on #12 and to Ross King with a 20 footer on #17.

WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES' GOLF

August 31 was the last Wednesday of the month but not the end of our getting together for golf, lunch, dominoes and card games.

There is still time to join us at The Bluffs on Wednesday morning and afternoon.

There were 16 ladies present for lunch. Joan Olson and Barb Larson were the hosts. Thanks again Barb for substituting for me. I am sure your desserts were great.

A card was sent to Rula Hatch. Her daughter had passed away. Our prayers are with you Rula and your family.

Vaneta Youngworth and Darlene Engbrecht were the \$5 drawing winners. Our quarter winners were: Ellie Davis, Thelma Raines, Rose Mart, Joan Olson, Beth Silvano and Edith Nelson.

Discussion today was the St. Agnes ice cream social coming up.

The Bridge report is that Virgina Johnson was first and Shirley Raab was second.

Golf report: none today as it was very foggy

Dominoes report: There were three tables again.

Round 1 – Maxine Rogers, Rose Mart, and Barb Boone.

Round 2 - Barb Larson, Dori Ryan, and Barb Boone. Round 3 - Barb Larson, Joan

Olson, and Agnes Mockler. Total Score - Thelma Raines,

Dori Ryan, and Barb Boone.

Looks as though the Barb's were the luckiest today. Thank you for showing the last name or even an initial so that I give credit to the proper Barb. Sorry Barb Larson for

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By Parker Knox Sportswriter		Ale I		61
The high school girls tennis season reaches the midway point during the coming week, and Vermillion's team has a busy schedule as the rush toward the state tournament begins. The Tanagers will be at Brandon Valley for a dual Saturday, attend a triangular at				
Madison Tuesday and host Yankton in a dual match next Thursday. Last week Vermillion lost a				



Vermillion's No. 1 singles player took her opponent to a tiebreaker before losing her match at the Tanagers hosted SF Roosevelt Friday. (Photo by David Lias)

Doubles

Kovlen/Bunkers 1-6, 1-6.

VHS football falls to SSC 28-6; will host Tea tonight

By Parker Knox Sportswriter

Vermillion's football team will try to change the direction things are going for not one but two football teams in the DakotaDome Friday night themselves and the Tea Area Titans. The Tanagers, 0-2 after a 28-6 loss at South Sioux City last week, face Tea Area, an up-andcoming 2-0 ballclub which has defeated Bon Homme and Lennox so far. Coach Gary Culver says the Titans have excellent skill people and speed, but their line is not as imposing as the size the Tanagers have faced in seasonopening losses to West Central and South Sioux City. "They were the state 'A' track champions last spring, and many of those faces are on the football field this fall. It will be another great challenge for our kids in terms of their mental and physical preparation." The game will be televised across three states by MidCo Sports Net, starting with a 7 p.m. kickoff. South Sioux City went 63 yards in seven plays to score on its first possession last week, Austin Stack scoring from the 3-yard line. On their first three possessions the Tanagers had good field position near

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midfield, starting from their own 47, 47 and 45, but they had to punt the first two times and fumbled the ball away on the third possession.

Turnovers continued to halt any momentum the offense was the game.

Stark's 17-yard touchdown run on the first play of the fourth period made the score 28-0. Thomas Walker's 24-yard return got the Tanagers going toward their first score of the

By Parker Knox Sportswriter

Short of the state meet itself, Vermillion's cross-country runners may not face all season a field of competitors as strong as that which showed up for the Don Baker Memorial Invitational last Friday

Sioux Falls Roosevelt boys dominated the varsity race, taking the five top places and seven of the first eight, then Irene-Wakonda claimed five of the next eight slots. In the girls varsity event Crofton's perennial state champions had six of the top 11 runners, and Grand Island had two of the top seven.

Coach Kelly Fischbach said her varsity boys ran well against the tough field. Nathan Ford was 21st in 19:07.31 and Will Card 22nd in 19:17.35 to lead the Tanagers. Colin Olson placed 32nd in 20:58.36, and Jacob ford

was 33rd in 21:14.66. The race was won by Roosevelt's Tanner Ahrendt with a 16:27.48 clocking.

The girls varsity event saw Roosevelt's Alex Huss claim top honors in 15:28.68. Vermillion's best was Morgan Hower in 28th place in 19:19.78. Jade Fostvedt was 30th in 21:01.43 and Jonna Lynch 32nd in 22:31.07.

Fischbach said she was especially pleased with her JV boys contestants. Jon Rosales placed eighth in 16:29.21 and Logan Peterson 11th in 17:00.18 to lead the way for VHS. Joe Swanson placed 15th in 17:37.69 and Owen Swallow 17th in 18:36.18.

Among the JV girls Britney Sweeney was 18th in 15:15.81, Caitlin Britten right behind her in 15:21.02 and Heidi osterberg 21st in 18:49.30.

The VHS runners are idle this weekend, pending their own invitational meet on Sept. 16.

VHS soccer faces opponents in Black Hills, Huron

By Parker Knox Sportswriter

The longest road trip of the season resulted in a pair of Black Hills defeats for the Vermillion girls soccer team.

In what Coach Dave LaCombe called "two tough, aggressive battles," the Tanagers lost at Sturgis, 6-2, and at Belle Fourche, 3-0.

Shelby Gregoire and Teddi Settles scored unassisted goals in the Sturgis loss. The Tanagers lost four starters to injuries or illness during the contest. Katie Wasley played tough in goal with 14 saves.

Five starters were not in action at Belle Fourche. "We kept the game close with a new formation and having to bring JV players in to help," LaCombe said. "The girls played much better compared to Sturgis.'

In JV action Vermillion lost to Sturgis, 1-0, and drew with Belle Fourche, 2-2. Goals were scored in the latter game by Natalie Hertz and Maddie Regnerus.

Meanwhile, the boys varsity tied James Valley Christian, 2-2, at Huron Friday night. Nate Samudzi scored shortly after halftime on an assist from Tanner Settles for the first VHS goal. Andrew Kost scored off a blocked shot at the 18:00 mark to tie the score.

The girls varsity, standing at 1-3 through last weekend, goes to Groton for a 1 p.m. game Saturday with a JV match to follow. On Monday the varsity goes to Sioux Falls Christian for a 6 p.m. game. The boys varsity take a record of 2-1-1 through last weekend to Huron for a 1 p.m. Saturday game against the Tigers.

1. Jones/Robinson lost to 2. Weiss/Sykes lost to

Shgreu/Johnson 0-6, 0-6. 3. Steinmeyer/Glover lost to Vandenwade/Ronning 0-6, 1-6.

not giving you credit in the past when you were the winner. Both of you are very lucky ladies so it was impossible to decide.

We still have four Wednesdays at The Bluffs for luncheon and games. Sometimes golf goes on longer. Come on down!

Catch ya later, Pat Steckelberg, Reporter

Veterans, SDNG members get into USD game free Saturday

The University of South Dakota is offering free admission to South Dakota National Guard, veterans or active duty service members to Saturday's football game vs. Eastern Washington at the DakotaDome.

Two free tickets will be available for the first 300 service men or women who are willing to participate in a pre-game ceremony that involves holding an American flag in the aisle of the DakotaDome. Kickoff for the Sept. 10 contest, which is also the home opener for the Coyotes, is scheduled for 4 p.m. Soldiers and airmen would need to arrive by 3 p.m.

The pre-game ceremony will commemorate the 10th anniversary of Sept. 11 and honor military personnel for their service and sacrifice since the 2001 terrorist attacks. Eastern Washington, the defending FCS National Champions, is 0-1 after a 30-27 loss to Washington. USD is 0-1 after an opening weekend loss at Air Force, 37-20.

Veterans, soldiers and airmen interested in participating, please call (605) 677-5331 to reserve tickets and to receive additional information regarding Saturday's pre-game activities.

trying to muster up. Meanwhile, the Cardinals scored twice in the second period. Sean Harral crossed over from the 10 with 9:38 left, and Derrick Geddings plunged across from the 2 at the 4:45

mark. Following that score, Vermillion fumbled after an 11yard gain by D'Andre Fore to reach midfield. Two plays later the Cardinals fumbled it right back, but on the very next play the Tanagers lost the ball yet again on a fumble. It was contagious, because South Sioux fumbled it away again on the subsequent play.

On its second possession of the second half, Vermillion appeared to have something going. Tanner Anderson intercepted a long Cardinal pass, giving the ball back to VHS at its own 35. Kyle Weiss' 43-yard pass play to Anderson got the Tanagers to the South Sioux 32, and a Cardinal penalty moved them five vards farther toward the goalline. They eventually reached the 15yard line but lost the ball by fumble for the fourth time in

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year.

A 23-yard gain by Fore was the big play on their own side of the field. Once they reached midfield, the Tanagers relied on Michael Sand, who gained three, 12 and seven yards on three consecutive plays. Later in the drive a personal foul on SSC helped the Tanagers to the 10-yard line from where Mitch Brown gained four, Fore five, and on fourth down and 1 1/2 yards to go, Fore scored, following Nick Jensen's block into the end zone.

It wasn't a case of the Cardinals putting in their scrubs either. Very much wishing to preserve a shutout,

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Boys golf hosts invite today

By Parker Knox Sportswriter

The second half of the high school boys golf season begins today when the Tanagers host their invitational meet at The Bluffs.

The Tanagers will also be home Tuesday for a dual against Elk Point-Jefferson.

Last Friday the Tanagers

hosted Yankton and dropped a dual to the Bucks, 365-312.

The best scores of the day were carded by Yankton's Brandon Frick and Mitch Schlingman with 73s. The Tanagers were led by Carter Andre with 82 and Mitch Ellison with 84, followed by Peter Haught at 92, Jacob Ödens at 107, Paul Schwasinger at 108 and Jay Munger at 109.

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