

Lumberjacks Are No. 1

What's wrong with the competition? Or should the question be: What's right with the A.C.C. basketball team?

The fusion of two factors, the talent starved opposition and the talent laden Lumberjacks have produced three ridiculously easy victories.

Schoolcraft College, whose press releases proclaimed this year's team to be the best in the school's history, opened the season by simply collapsing in the face of the vicious Lumberjack man-to-man defense, finally losing by a 108 to 58 score.

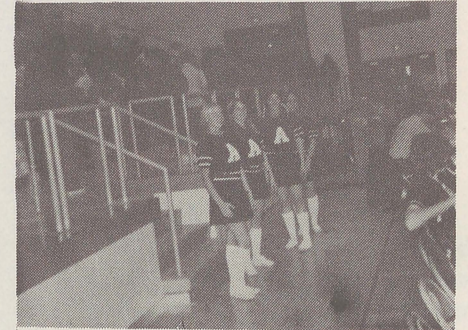
In their pre-game publicity, Oakland Auburn Hills made no such claims of greatness. After two minutes of play and the resulting 10-0 deficit, Alpena fans knew why! Pint-sized and overmatched, Oakland rode out of town, saddled with a humiliating 118 to 65 defeat.

The third test (exercise session might be more appropriate) was against Lake Superior State. Based on the showing made by their J.V. team, Lake Superior State's basketball program may be in for some lean years ahead.

With 6:09 remaining in the first half, Lake Superior trailed 33 to 19. A.C.C. then proceeded to reel off an incredible 21 straight points before yielding another opposition basket. By halftime, the score was 58 to 21 and the stunned Lake Superior cagers could only wonder who made the decision to send the J.V. team.

The Lumberjacks continued their blitz in the second half utilizing a ball-hawking defense to get one fast break after another. With over 13 minutes to play, Coach Bill Morse mercifully pulled the starters. The second team led by Danny Waldker's 15 points finished the job, winning 114 to 58.

Despite the lack of opposition, it is clearly evident that the Lumberjacks have a superior team, maybe their best ever! First-year coach Bill Morse has his guard playing aggressive basketball. You can't fault an offense that's averaging over 100 points a game, but the defense has been the sparkling highlight so far. It has not only throttled every opponent, but it has keyed the offense!



The women behind it all...

Cheerleaders ? for ACC

Tryouts for A.C.C. cheerleaders were held on Tuesday, November 20, at the Besser Junior High School. The new cheerleaders chosen were Sue Peters, captain; Anne Schamanski, co-captain; Judy Wielke; Marlene Bannon; and Anne Swan, alternate.

Judging the girls were Mrs. Judy Beyer, advisor; Mrs. AllBritten; and two non-varsity basketball players. They were evaluated on a group cheer, an individual cheer, poise, appearance, coordination, pep, and voice and eye contact; using three points for good, two points fair, and one point for poor.

The cheerleaders cheer at all home varsity basketball games. The girls will also be allowed to attend two away games with their advisor, on money provided by Alpena Community College.

Bowling Tournament

The first annual Delta Invitational Bowling Tournament was held on December 12, 1973, at the Monitor Lanes in Bay City, starting at 3:00 p.m. The tournament was for singles, doubles, and team events.

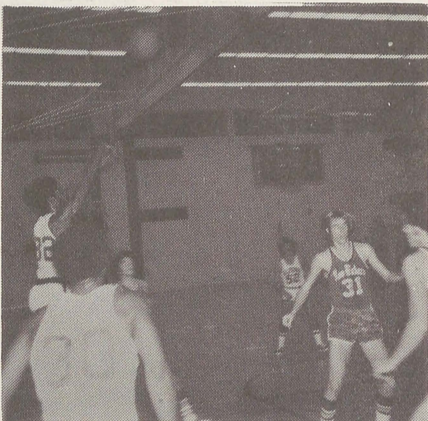
There were five-man teams bowling scratch (no handicap) with games decided by total team pin fall. Three games were played in all events. Trophies were given to the highest singles, doubles, and team bowlers.

All students were invited to enter. Two mens' bowling teams and one womens' team could be sent down. Each school participating was allowed two doubles teams. Singels and doubles bowling games ran simultaneously with the team events. The students paid for the alley fees of fifty cents a game.

There were a possible ten schools (only six schools actually participated) in this invitational tournament. They were Alpena Community College, Macomb Community College, Lansing Community College, Oakland Community College, Mott Community College, St. Claire Community College, Delta Community College, Saginaw Community College, Orchard Ridge Community College, and University of Michigan in Flint. A.C.C. is sending one mens' team to the tournament.

This tournament was part of an overall plan to organize other state-wide sports tournaments for the spring semester. This has been done in Ohio and hopefully will happen in Michigan.

108	SCHOOLCRAFT	58
118	OAKLAND AUBURN HILLS	65
114	LAKE SUPERIOR J.V.	58
104	OAKLAND ORCHARD RIDGE	65
86	MOTT COMM. COLL.	89
92	MACOMB COMM. COLL.	61



TO COACH BASKETBALL

Former Lumberjack star Ed Peltz, has been named as an assistant basketball coach at the University of Detroit by first-year head coach, Dick Vitale.

Peltz, a Royal Oak native, played at A.C.C. from 1970 to 1972. He ended his career as the seventh leading scorer in Lumberjack basketball history.

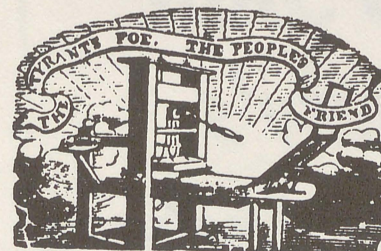
Exciting basketball as it is played by four of the better small college and junior college teams in the Midwest, will be on top during the Third Annual Thunder Bay Classic in Alpena, December 28 and 29.

The first night of action will have Cuyahoga-Metro of Ohio playing Wayne Community College in the first game with the host team Alpena Community College opposing the University of Michigan, Dearborn branch in the nightcap.

The next evening the tow losers will play in the consolation game before the main event between the winners gets underway.

Defending champion Cuyahoga-Metro annually fields one of the best junior college teams in the nation and this year's edition appears no exception.

Wayne and U. of M. (Dearborn) both draw their players primarily from the talent-rich Detroit area making them two of the tougher teams in the state.



Alpena Spawns Coaches

What do Bob Devaney, Jim Ross, Bill Frieder, Jim Dutcher, and Rollie Dotsch have in common? Besides their uniformly outstanding coaching records, each man has strong Alpena ties.

This area, over the years, has an amazing record for spawning and nurturing the careers of many successful coaches in one way or another.

Devaney, for instance, gained much recognition while producing several great Alpena High football teams in the late 1940's and early 50's. He later took the head coaching job at Wyoming and then Nebraska, amassing a phenomenal won-loss percentage and numerous post-season bowl appearances before becoming the full-time athletic director for the Cornhuskers.

Ross has been a top assistant for Devaney ever since the Alpena days and now serves as the head coach of the Nebraska freshman team.

For the past few years, Rollie Dotsch has been an assistant coach with the Green Bay Packers. Before that he was the man in charge at Northern Michigan where he built a solid football organization. Naturally, (of course) Rollie was raised in Alpena.

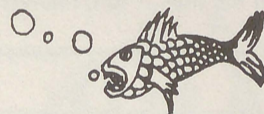
The University of Michigan basketball coaching staff will also have a distinct Alpena flavor this season. Joining head coach Johnny Orr's Wolverines, will be Jim Dutcher and Bill Frieder.

Dutcher spent eight years, between 1958 and 1966, as coach of A.C.C.

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This put together an overall won-loss mark of 105-74. From here he traveled to Ypsilanti where his Eastern Michigan University teams became annual participants in national post-season playoffs.

Reunited with Dutcher, will be former Alpena High J.V. Coach Frieder. After several successful seasons with the Wildcats in the mid 60's, Frieder and varsity coach Dick Dennis, moved to Flint. Within a couple of years, he was elevated to the head coaching position at Flint Northern. Almost overnight, Flint became a basketball powerhouse. Frieder gained national publicity for leading his teams to an unprecedented to straight Class "A" championships and a state record for consecutive victories.



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