

South girls bowling thinking ECIC II title

The Williamsville South girls varsity bowling team is looking for big things this year.

After finishing 5-5 in ECIC Division III, the Lady Billies enter the season in a new division (ECIC II) with hopes of a title.

"ECIC II is going to be a tough division and I feel it's going to come down to the wire for the division championship," said South coach Steve Delisanti.

"Sweet Home, Iroquois, Hamburg, West Seneca East and Williamsville East will be stiff competition."

The Lady Billies return senior captain Jessica Mamon, a returning All-ECIC III all-star with a 205 average. Mamon will anchor South's "A" team.

"Jessica is one of the best lady bowlers in Western New York," said Delisanti. "She is very consis-

tent and at any time can put up a huge number."

Also starting are junior Jenny Zubricky, who will be South's "B" team anchor, sophomores Alex Rasey and Liz Scimia, who Delisanti said are much improved, freshmen Rachel Broadt, Becca Kent, and Katherine Wamback and seventh grader Tricia Kent.

Delisanti said Tricia Kent has already made an impact on the team. "She is a fireplug out there, full of energy and always thinking about the team," said Delisanti. "She has a great future if she

Wamback are solid contributors. "Rachel and Becca are returning bowlers who have both worked very hard to improve their scores," he added.

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Other bowlers contributing will be seniors Kym Nelson, Taylor McLanahan and Missy Fanara, junior Michelle Giancarlo, and freshmen Katie Darnley, Missy Vetrano and Anissa Bochiechio.

"All of the girls are hard workers and really try their best at all times," said Delisanti. "Our goal is to compete hard, win a division championship and of course, have fun along the way."

South 2006-07 Schedule

12-13 East 4 p.m.
12-18 Hamburg..... 4 p.m.
1-3 at Sweet Home (Manor II) 4 p.m.
1-8 W.S. East 4 p.m.
1-10 at Iroquois 4 p.m. (Lancaster)
1-17 at East (Transit)..... 4 p.m.
1-31 at W.S East 4 p.m. (Wimbledon)
2-3 at Roy Summers Tourn. 8 a.m. (Thruway)
2-5 Iroquois..... 4 p.m.
2-7 Will. Cup (date tentative, at Transit)..... TBA
2-13 at ECIC Rolloffs (Thruway Lanes)..... TBA
2-16 at Section VI Championships (Thruway Lanes).....TBA
*All home matches are at Transit Lanes.



Jessica Mamon will anchor Williamsville South's "A" team. She is a returning ECIC all-star. Photo by Joe Eberle

Amherst lady keglers on the rise; new coach at Sacred Heart

by PATRICK J. NAGY
Reporter

There's more interest this year in bowling for Amherst Central's girls' team.

Despite returning only three bowlers, the Lady Tigers will field full "A", "B" and "C" rosters. All of the new girls are beginner bowlers but are improving, said coach Dennis Illig.

Amherst's "A" team will feature junior Carolyn Trabert leading off followed by sophomore Katie Fowler and juniors Stephanie Mohr and anchor Holly Johnson. Trabert and Johnson are co-captains.

Johnson already has school records for high series (604) and average (175.2) in 2005 and high game (244) in 2004. She has a career pin total of 31,827, also a school record. She is also a member of the school's 200 club for bowling 200 games.

The left-hander just missed qualifying at last year's ECIC Rolloffs and qualified for the Section VI Championships as an individual. She averaged 185 at the Maryvale Holiday Tournament on Dec. 4 and between 180-183 in practice.

"She's more mature this year and bowling better," said Illig.

Trabert just missed sectionals with a 147.5. You need 150 to qualify. Illig said making sectionals is a goal for Trabert. She's shooting 150 in practice.

The "B" team will feature freshmen Kelsey Lewin and Lauren Williams, junior Carolyn Sobol and junior Kristin Ortman, who will anchor. All are new to the sport.

Sophomores Gabriella Borzillieri and Lauren Kapus, junior Mallorie Saleh and freshman Natalie Korman make up the "C" team. Sophomore Carol Powell is the team manager.

The team has shown improvement. Illig said not one of the new girls trying out averaged 100 but now every girl except the "C" team bowlers are averaging well over that number.

Amherst moves from ECIC II, where they won one match, to ECIC III. Illig sees Tonawanda, who beat Amherst 7-0 on Friday, Maryvale, who they faced Monday and Pioneer, who they bowl Wednesday, as his team's toughest opponents.

Against Tonawanda, Johnson rolled personal best games (201, 246, 257) and series (704) which were also school records.

Trabert rolled personal best games (177, 177) and series (488).

Fowler bowled a 155 in her third game.

Amherst Central 2006-07 Schedule

12-13 at Pioneer (Arcade) 4:30 p.m.
1-3 at Depew 4:30 p.m. (Broadway)
1-8 Cheektowaga 4:30 p.m.
1-10 Springville 4:30 p.m.
1-17 Tonawanda 4:30 p.m.
1-22 at Maryvale (Airport) 4:30 p.m.
1-24 Pioneer 4:30 p.m.
2-5 Depew 4:30 p.m.
2-7 at Cheek. (Thruway) 4:30 p.m.
2-12 Springville 4:30 p.m.
2-13 at ECIC Rolloffs (Thruway).....TBA
2-16 at Section VI Championships (Thruway).....TBA
*All matches are at Airport Lanes unless otherwise noted.

Sacred Heart

The Sharks are 18-10 through seven Monsignor Martin Association matches.

Sacred Heart has beaten Nichols, Nardin and Holy Angels, 4-0 and Mount St. Mary's and Nichols, 3-1. They lost to Immaculata and St. Mary's of Lancaster, 4-0.

Katie Salisbury anchors with a 153 average. She has earned All-Catholic Second Team honors the past two years. Her mother, Ellen, is the team's new coach and describes Katie as a consistent bowler with a good strike ball.

Katie also bowls in a league at the Tonawanda Bowling Center.

Senior Anna Dombrowski (144 average), a four-year member on varsity, leads off. Also a returning All-Catholic Second Team selection, Salisbury said Dombrowski is an excellent spare bowler.

Dombrowski and varsity newcomer, senior Rachel Lowe, are the team captains.

Junior Natalie Wasilewski also returns.

The Sharks finished last year with a regular season record of

37½-18½. They took second at All-Catholics.

Sacred Heart 2006-07 Schedule

12-14 Nichols..... 3:45 p.m.
12-19 Nardin 3:45 p.m.
1-2 Mount St. Mary's ... 3:45 p.m.
1-4 St. Mary's of Lancaster 3:45 p.m.
1-9 Mt. Mercy 3:45 p.m.
1-11 Holy Angels 3:45 p.m.
1-18 All-Catholics 3:45 p.m.
*All matches are held at Thruway Lanes.

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North looking to improve

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It's not about wins and losses for Williamsville North girls bowling coach Kevin Poplawski.

"We have a young team with a lot of new bowlers," said Poplawski. "My main concern is that every one of the girls improves during the year and enjoys themselves bowling."

Sophomore Jackie Vetrano (147 average last year), juniors Sarah Zimmer (163) and Heather Lewandowski (135) and newcomer sophomore Maureen O'Brien make up the "A" team.

Seniors Margaret Brass (130) and Ashley Forbes (133), freshman Allison Pieri make up three of the four "B" slots.

The final "B" spot is up for grabs between seniors Courtney Peterson and Lindsey Rothschild, junior Allison Lyttle and freshmen Jessica Bialkowski and Lauren Fleming. All are new to the team.

Poplawski said his team is deeper than in years past but still need

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