

Two teams take all Fredrickson, Black Gold sweep contests

In girls Bantam League play, Fredrickson Insurance beat Countryside Vet 18-17 and 19-11 last Tuesday. They are the only two teams in the league and will play a double header every Tuesday night through the end of June.

In the boys Pony League, the Black Gold team was victorious over First National Bank, 6-5 and 22-2 last Wednesday. They are also the only two teams in their league and will play double headers every Wednesday night through the end of June.

In Little League action last Monday Raye's knocked off Crossroads Express 11-8 while R & M Service overcame Decatur County Feed Yard 22-10.

In T-Ball games on Tuesday Stanley Hardware played Paul's and Custom Trophy played The Bank. No scores are kept for T-Ball.

Little League was to continue on Monday with Crossroads playing, Decatur County Feed Yard and Raye's playing R & M Service.

On Monday, it will be Decatur County Feed Yard playing Raye's at 6:30 p.m. and R & M Service against Crossroads at 7:30 p.m.

T-Ball will continue on Tuesday with Stanley Hardware playing Paul's and Custom Trophy facing The Bank.

Next week on Tuesday, Paul's will meet Adleman's at 6:30 p.m. and Stanley Hardware will play the Bank at 7:30 p.m.



RUNNING TO FIRST BASE. Drew Juenemann was trying to help his Little League team, Raye's Grocery, on Monday night. — Herald staff photo by Sarah Marcuson

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—Baseball Standings

Little League Standings

Team	Wins	Losses	Runs
R&M Service Center	2	0	34
Raye's Grocery	2	0	30
Crossroads Express	0	2	17
Decatur County Feed	0	2	13

Pony Standings

Team	Wins	Losses	Runs
Black Gold	4	0	45
First National Bank	0	4	9

Bantam Standings

Team	Wins	Losses	Runs
Fredrickson Insurance	3	0	53
Countryside Vet	0	3	40

—Co-ed Softball Standings—

Team	Wins	Losses	Runs
Fortins	5	1	109
Fredrickson Dental	4	0	80
Creative Dimentions	4	2	94
Ward Drug	3	3	72
Junior's	2	4	83
Edgertons	1	3	42
Countryside Vet	1	3	40
Purple Pack	0	4	32

(Standings are for games played through Sunday)

One adult team undefeated

Only Fredrickson Dental remains undefeated after two and one-half weeks of co-ed softball play.

Last Wednesday, Creative Dimensions downed Edgerton Auto 20-0 and Countryside Vet 17-2. The Juniors knocked off Edgerton 18-2 and Countryside Vet overcame the Juniors 24-23.

On Sunday the Fortins knocked off Creative Dimensions 15-0 and the Juniors 24-12. Ward Drug was

victorious over Creative Dimensions 18-7 and the Juniors 21-4.

Play will resume tonight with the Purple Pack playing Countryside Vet at 6:30 p.m. and Edgerton Auto at 7:30 p.m. Fredrickson Dental will take on Countryside Vet at 8:30 p.m. and the Purple Pack at 9:30 p.m.

Thursday Countryside Vet faces the Juniors at 6:30 p.m. and the Fortins at 8:30 p.m. Creative Dimensions will play the Fortins at 7:30

p.m. and the Juniors at 9:30 p.m.

On Sunday, Ward Drug takes on Fredrickson Dental at 5 p.m. and Edgerton at 6 p.m. The Purple Pack plays Fredrickson Dental at 7 p.m. and Edgerton Auto at 8 p.m.

Next Wednesday, the Purple Pack plays Creative Dimensions at 6:30 p.m. and the Juniors at 7:30 p.m. Countryside Vet faces Creative Dimensions at 8:30 p.m. and the Juniors at 9:30 p.m.

Young golfer wins berth at tourney

A young Oberlin golfer is headed for the International Junior Golf Championship tournament in West Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Kelly Brown, son of Kevin and Carol, shot an 87 for the first-place finish in the 10 to 11-year old bracket, on the Salina Municipal Golf Course on Thursday and qualified for the international meet, sponsored by the Optimist clubs, on July 24-29 in Florida.

Kade Brown, his brother, shot a 78 for fifth place in the 12-13 age division. However, only the top three in each age bracket qualify for the tournament.

The Brown brothers, and other young Oberlin golfers, have had a busy summer with meets through-

out the region.

Playing on June 2 in Colby were:

- Ages 8-9**
- Kelly Brown, first, 35
- Mason Ahlberg, second, 37
- Ages 10-11**
- Logan Berry, 59
- Chance Uehlin, 69
- Ages 12-13**
- Garrett Berry, second, 47.
- Ages 14-15**
- Kade Brown, first, 81

Playing on June 9 at the Atwood Country Club were:

- Ages 8-9**
- Emily Larson, first, 93
- Ages 10-11**

- Logan Berry, second, 47
- Chance Uehlin, 68
- Ages 12-13**
- Garrett Berry, first 50

Playing on June 9 at the Dodge City Country Club were:

- Ages 10-11**
- Kelly Brown, tied for fourth, 56
- Ages 12-13**
- Kade Brown, 85

Playing on June 10 at the Dodge City Country Club were:

- Ages 10-11**
- Kelly Brown, second, 47
- Ages 12-13**
- Kade Brown, fourth, 81

Board worries about low scores

By **KIMBERLY DAVIS**
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The Oberlin School Board looked at sophomore class test scores from the past year, questioning why those on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test and National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test came in below the state average.

The tests were taken by this year's junior class when they were sophomores, said Principal Charlie Haag. He showed the board graphs that showed the class scoring two points below the state average in critical reading and three points lower in writing skills.

On the PLAN test for the sophomores, said Mr. Haag, the scores for English, math, reading, science and composite were below the national ones.

On the ACT, said Mr. Haag, the Oberlin students scored higher than the state average on everything but college English composition. He said he isn't sure how many took the test but he thought it was 80 percent or more of the class.

The students take the tests around October, he said, so it isn't very far into the school year.

Is it unusual, said President Dewayne Jackson, for a class here to be below the state average. Some of the

students, said Mr. Haag, have been below on all of the tests. Teacher Brenda Breth said it surprises her, because the sophomore class is a good bunch.

Anytime she sees a score below the state average, said Member Barb Olson, it concerns her. She said she would like to know what the trend has been, because if the trend is below state averages, then the district may need to address the problem.

Shelia Jansonious, counselor at the grade school, reported on the scores from the Iowa Test of Basic Skills the elementary students took. This test is just one measure, she said, adding that she didn't get all of the normal reports because of some software problems.

The students take the tests for a week in April, she said. The kindergarten through second grade take the core class test. From third grade on, the students take the tests in all the subjects.

Third grade, she said, is a big year because the kids not only take all of the tests, they read their own tests and also transfer the answers from the booklet to the bubble sheet.

In the 2005-'06 school year, she said, the special education scores were listed separately. In 2007 they

were not.

At the kindergarten level, 62 percent scored in the 70th percentile, in first grade 63 percent, in second grade 55 percent, in third grade 68 percent, in fourth grade 74 percent, in fifth grade 55 percent and in sixth grade 42 percent.

According to the chart, the kindergartners, first grade, fourth grade and fifth grade did better on the tests than last year.

The only students who took the test who aren't included in the report, said Mrs. Jansonious, are those who took the tests off grade level. One or two extreme scores, either high or low, can make a difference in the outcome, she said, and not all students are good test takers.

Principal Duane Dorshorst said he and Mrs. Jansonious have talked about these tests and others. The Iowa Test of Basic Skills, he said, aren't as important to the kids as the state assessments. After three weeks of testing out of a month, said Mr. Dorshorst, the students get tired of of tests and that they have to do their best.

In state assessments, said Mr. Dorshorst, if the students don't meet the mark, then they are going to have to put some teeth into summer school.

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