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Middlefield Men's Club Thursday, Jan. 14 Game: Scramble with Tie Breakers

First Place Gary Sparks Gary Welch Gary Rider Tom Arney

Second Place Jack Doleman Bob McCarty Frank Gates Frank LaCosse **Third Place** Pat Rickard David Morris Bill Avery Jim Cunningham

Fourth Place

Bill Medin

Gary Ingram

Mel Gowing

Darrell Lee Fifth Place Jake Cox Gary Nicolay Leon Haves

Dave Tooker

Sixth Place Larry Emery Gary Ackley Jerry Pennington Jim Hoover

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Seventh Place Steve Erickson Larry Eyman Don Hanly

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Closest to the Pin Gary Nicolay Jack Doleman Darrell Lee

Lynn Ferrin

BOWLING

Dynamic Trios

Golding Enterprises 23 9 Advanced Eyecare **Rolling Pins** 22 10 Swearengin Design 18.5 13.5 USA Heating & AC 17.5 14.5 **New Creations** 16.5 15.5 Swearengin Enterprises 16 16 17 Harvey's Selective Logging 15 Rubi's Beauty Salon 15 17 Middlefield Oaks Acorns 21 11 23.5 8.5 Split Happens Cottage Bowl 28

Patsy McNally 181 **Three High Series** Patsy McNally 512 Alicia Esser 502 501 Debbie Saldana

High Game

Cottage Mixers

Quintuple Trouble 32 32 31 30 29 27 26 25 22 18 24 24 25 26 27 29 30 31 Commonwealth Financial Swearengin Designs Brad's Chevy/GMC Points Plus Taylor's Towing Kelly Trailer Repair Forklift Services of Org. Covered Bridge Ukulele 34 38 Funseekers Jerry Brown Co. Replacements **High Game** Butch Cardoza 278 Ernie Owen 266 Natalie Clark 243 Tiffanie Williams 224

High Series

Errol Miller

Natalie Clark

Tiffanie Williams

Jessy Thomason

Jaydyn Arnold

Butch Cardoza

578 **Junior Stars**

739

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651

The Wrecking Ball 30 28 7 The Corndogs 13 J Dawgs Dolls With Balls 16 19 19 Space Money Mafia 16 21 Who Gives a Split! 14 Lane Rangers 10 25 31 Lane Damage Individual High Avg. Fayth Stewart 184.11 Skyler Arnold 171.29 Jared Simmons 170.96 Christopher Allen 169.57 Mike McBeth 163.06

162.75

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Girls' Basketball

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By the end of the first quarter, the Lions were outscored 21-10, but a slight 26-21 rally in the second and third quarters put Cottage Grove within six points of the Bruins (42-36). It was only in the fourth quarter where it seemed Brookings-Harbor would run away with the game, going on a 21-11 run.

"They were by far the best team we have played," said Head Coach Kevin Yoss. "We improved again by taking them out of what we wanted to do."

The Lions used a defensive scheme called a 2-2-1 press, which is considered to be very effective in young and non-professional leagues and is essentially designed to keep the ball out of the middle of the court.

And that's what the Lions did. Less than half of the Bruins' points were scored from the paint (26) allowing the Lions to outscore them by two in this

The downfall of Yoss' strategy was Brookings-Harbor's ability to sink three-pointers. The Bruins were forced to take a total of 21 three-point shots, and with that many attempts, they managed to sink six of them (28 percent).

The comeback rally fell short due to inaccuracy from the field. While the Lions shot over 80 percent from the free-throw line (three out of four players shot 100 percent), it was another game where they shot for less than 40 percent on field goals. Senior Melissa Thielman was the leading scorer with 12 points on the game. Thielman was four for four on free throws but shot 36 percent from the field. Taylor Harsh was two for two on free (one of them being a threepointer). And in an ironic twist, there were two players who didn't sink any free throws but were 80 percent from the field. Keara Murphy and Hannah Arnold both went four for five on field goals. Arnold missed one free throw and Murphy was never sent to the line.

Despite the loss, the Lions still showed signs of improvement by out-rebounding the Bruins 36-30 and showing their scrappy side by having six steals (Brookings-Harbor only had one).

Cottage Grove then hosted Elmira to begin league play, where they endured a much tougher loss to the now 18ranked Falcons (8-6). Elmira hit the ground running by scoring four three-pointers in the first quarter (their only three-pointers made). After being down 28-11 at halftime, it seemed that the Lions would be unable to surmount such a deficit and lost 51-38. Again, this was not a loss that Cottage Grove would be demoralized by. They outscored the Falcons 27-23 in the second half but just need to be able to perform at their highest potential throughout the entirety of a game.

Field goal accuracy was again an issue, as the Lions shot under 30 percent this time at 28 percent. Cottage Grove was also hurt with 22 turnovers (which Elmira capitalized on for 26 points).

The Lions' leading scorer was Harsh with 11 points, all of which came from behind the three-point line or at the freethrow line.

This was a game where the Lions weren't necessarily beaten by a better team but simply lost to their own mistakes. However, now that they've tasted winning and have proven week after week that their spirits aren't dampened, the Lions will keep searching for wins as they move further into league play.

"We build more and more everyday in practice and are achieving our goals," said senior Dana Caro. "We've come a long way."

And yet there's still a ways to go.

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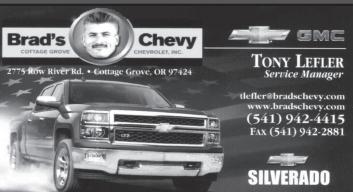
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