

# Empire Winter Games open tonight in Placid

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LAKE PLACID — The curtain is set to go up on the Third Annual Empire State Winter Games tonight despite unseasonable weather that already has forced the relocation of one cross-country skiing event.

Games organizers anticipate close to 850 athletes will take part in the nine days of competition sponsored by the state Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. The Games are the winter counterpart to the five-year-old Summer Games held in August in Syracuse.

The Winter Games, drawing athletes of all ages from across New York State for competition in 10 disciplines, will be ushered in with a

gala opening ceremony tonight, starting at 7:30 at the Olympic Center. A skating demonstration, slide show and music by the Alexandria Bay Central School marching band will share the program with the traditional parade of athletes and torchlighting. The ceremonies are open to the public, free of charge.

The actual competition begins Saturday morning with the highlight of the first weekend, the Lederle International Diamond Trophy two-man bobsled races at Mt. Van Hoevenberg. Teams from the United States and Canada will compete in the two-day, four-heat event.

There are figure-skating sessions scheduled for Saturday, at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday, at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. The 70-meter ski-

jumping competition will be held Sunday at 1 p.m. at the MacKenzie-Intervale complex.

Cross-country skiing is also planned for the weekend, but the Masters event, scheduled for Sunday, has been postponed because of a lack of snow.

Games' spokesman Tom O'Connell said Thursday that insufficient snow cover had forced the decision for a postponement. "A time, date and site has not been set. We do expect to announce that information early next week."

Also, the New York State High School Athletic cross-country championships, scheduled to begin Saturday on the Mt. Van Hoevenberg cross country trails, have been moved to Day.

The Winter Games will run through March 13 with competition

in alpine skiing, luge and ice hockey to dominate the mid-week schedule. The Games conclude the weekend of March 13 with alpine skiing, bobsledding, luge, speed skating and the championship game of the college hockey tournament. The four-team tournament begins Thursday with Geneseo State facing Cortland State at 7 p.m. Buffalo and Brockport State meet Friday at 7 p.m. with the final round scheduled for Saturday.

Tickets for bobsled, luge and ski-jumping events are priced at \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. Tickets for all events at the Olympic Ice Center are \$2. Schedule and ticket information are available from the Olympic Center Box Office (523-3330). New York State residents can call toll free, 800-342-9104.

## Area athletes go for gold

LAKE PLACID — The following athletes from the Olympic Region have qualified for the 1983 Empire State Winter Games scheduled to take place in Lake Placid March 4-13:

Plattsburgh — Figure skating: Janine Meyer, Teresa Landry, Jody Jessey and Shane Rowe; luge: Tim Myler, bobsled: Daniel Rock.

Saranac Lake — Bobsled: Bob Briel, Matt Roy, Brent Rushlaw, Aural Toemer; figure skating: Bonnie Bourke and Kelly Riley.

Upper Lake — Cross-country: William Sapp.

Lake Placid — Figure skating: Valerie Anderson, Melissa Cheyne, Tracy Damigella, Carolyn Lysek, Jacqueline Dyer, Ginny Fogarty, Aileen Kelly, Kathy Kelly, Lisette Kelly, Noreen Kelly, Yvette LaBrake, Angel Naylor, Lisa Nickett, Mitzi Newman, Vanessa Valls and Steven Rice; alpine skiing: Beth Bachert, Bradley Brown, A.J. Kit, Michael Damp, Alfie Merchant, Michael Derman, Brian Smith, Jim Greer, Debra Butler and Jeffrey Jung; ski jumping: Chuck Berghorn, Thomas Stevens, Matt Terwilliger and Jeff Volmrich; speed skating: Noelle Wood and Bambi Reid; biathlon: Peter Davis and Michael Lamb; cross-country: Peter Davis, luge: James Moriarty, John Tomasiulo, Helen O'Conner, Claire Sherved, Theresa Reid, Toni Damigella.

Williamston — speed skating: Vincent DuBois, Michael DuBois; alpine: Spencer Yates; luge: Willard Horvath.

Willabrook — luge: Mike Manning, Kitty Manning, Julie Miller, Cammy Myler.

Keene Valley — Bobsled: Robert Nicholson; cross-country: William Rudge.

Paru — cross-country skiing: Mary Derrick.

Morrisville — figure skating: Julie Thornton and Jonathan Van Etten.

Elizabethtown — Bobsled: Fred Hooper, Joseph Shovan.

## Massena overpowers PHS in regionals 8-1

PLATTSBURGH — Massena scored three goals in a 5:30 span of the third period Thursday to stop Plattsburgh High, 8-1, in the opening round of the Division I state regional hockey playoffs.

Massena advances to a regional game against Oswego, at a time and place to be determined. Plattsburgh High finished their season with a 15-9 record.

The Hornets' John Gillett put home a rebound of Bryan Atwood's shot just 13 seconds into the third period to cut Massena's lead to 5-1 and give PHS some hope, but the Red Raiders responded with three goals to put the game away.

Tom Siddon scored at 1:45 of the third period to give Massena a 6-1 lead. PHS goalie John Poissant went down to stop shots by Ed Underwood and Mike Hart, but Siddon lifted the puck over Poissant for the goal.

Siddon and Jim Hull assisted on Gerry Ward's power-play tally at 3:20 of the period. Siddon passed to Hull behind the net, who centered to Ward for the goal. Ward scored again at 7:10, taking a centering pass from Todd Tyo and wristing the puck passed a screened Poissant for the final 8-1 margin. Andy Cook also assisted on the goal.

The Red Raiders dominated the game from the outset, keeping the puck in the PHS zone most of the time. Massena notched its first goal at 3:29 of the first period when Underwood scored from Hart.

Then, at 6:46, Underwood tipped in Mike Foster's slapshot with Mike Hurlbut assisting on the power-play goal.

The Red Raiders added another power-play score at 12:06 when Hull scored from in close off assists from Siddon and Hurlbut. At 12:59, Phil Converse played a rebound off the boards and put the puck past Poissant for a 4-0 Massena lead. Brian LaDuke picked up an assist.

The Red Raiders held a commanding 15-4 edge in shots during the opening stanza. Massena goalie Randy Stickney turned away Chip Laravia on PHS' lone scoring threat of the period.

Hart gave the Section 10 powerhouse a 3-0 advantage at 1:37 of the second when Poissant misplayed the shot. Underwood added the lone assist.

Stickney stopped Laravia again on a close-in slapshot midway through the second. Despite being outshot 13-4, PHS held the Red Raiders to only one goal in the period.

Massena outshot the Hornets by a commanding 40-14 margin in the game. Stickney stopped 13 shots to earn the victory, while Poissant turned aside 32 shots for PHS.



### Under siege

Plattsburgh High goalie John Poissant dives after loose puck as Massena's Ed Underwood and Jim Hull move in for possible rebound. Hornet defenseman John Gillett (15) stands guard for Poissant.

## Bossy keys Isles' win

UNIONDALE, N.Y. (UPI) — Mike Bossy scored two goals, including the 350th of his NHL career, to highlight a four-goal outburst in the second period Thursday night that gave the New York Islanders a 5-1 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs.

Capitals dump Rangers  
NEW YORK (UPI) — Bobby Carpenter scored two goals in the second period Thursday night to lead the Washington Capitals to a 4-3 victory over the New York Rangers.

New York goalie Ed Mio left the game after just five minutes. He collided with Washington's Dennis Maruk and suffered a groin injury. New York's Robbie Ftorek suffered a concussion and was taken to the hospital after being hit with a forearm by Bengt Gustafsson in the first period.

Cyr stops Bruins  
BOSTON (UPI) — Rookie Paul Cyr scored three goals during a 4:21 span of the third period Thursday night to lift the Buffalo Sabres to a 3-2 victory over the Bruins, ending Boston's 23-game home unbeaten streak.

The Sabres, beating Boston for the third straight time in 15 days, won for the first time in Boston Garden since Nov. 27, 1979, a streak of 13 games. It also was only the fourth time this year the Bruins had failed to win after leading after two periods.

Propp leads Flyers  
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (UPI) — Brian Propp struck for two goals to extend his scoring streak to 12 games, leading the Philadelphia Flyers to a 4-1 victory Thursday night over the New Jersey Devils. Propp has 8 goals and 10 assists over his last 12 games.

Wings top Nordiques  
DETROIT (UPI) — Mark Osborne snapped a 3-3 tie with 6:29 to play in the third period Thursday night and Paul Woods scored twice Thursday night, helping the Detroit Red Wings post a 5-3 victory over the Quebec Nordiques.

## PSUC bus to Oswego set

PLATTSBURGH — The Student Association at Plattsburgh State will sponsor bus transportation for area hockey fans interested in attending Saturday night's ECAC Division II West Championship contest between the Plattsburgh Cardinals and Oswego State's Great Lakers at Oswego's Romney Field House.

Student Association President Tom Swain said that as many as three buses will make the trip, depending upon demand.

The round-trip cost per person for residents of the community will be \$10, with the total including the \$3 ticket of admission to the game. The cost for Plattsburgh State students, which also includes a \$2 admission ticket, will be \$5 each. Student identification will be required.

Swain noted that bus space as well as tickets are limited — only 200 general admission and 100 student tickets have been allotted to Plattsburgh — so accommodations will

be made on a first-come, first-serve basis. Advanced payment, which will guarantee both transportation and admission to the game, is a must and may be made at the College Center information desk up to one hour prior to departure.

Plans call for the buses to leave for Oswego from the College Center, Rugar Street, at 12 noon on Saturday. They will return to Plattsburgh immediately following the game.

The SA President said that buses must be at full capacity or nearly full or be subject to cancellation, so he urged travelers to make reservations early. For more information, call 564-2121 or 564-2026.

People who want to purchase tickets on their own and who plan to provide their own transportation can reserve them by calling 315-341-4280. However, they must pick up their tickets at least 90 minutes before game time or they will be placed on sale.

## Carron sparks NCCC to regional win

AUBURN, N.Y. — Michelle Carron poured in 37 points Thursday and added five rebounds to power North Country Community College's Lady Saints to a 69-61 Region III basketball playoff victory over Morrisville ATC, ranked third in the region.

The Lady Saints, the region's sixth-ranked team, will face No. 2 Erie Community College tonight at 6 p.m. at Cayuga Community College, Auburn. They'll take a 23-1 overall record, the school's best ever, and a 12-1 regional mark into the game.

Sandy Luff scored 12 points and grabbed six rebounds to back Carron's tremendous game. Shawn Washburn chipped in 10 rebounds and six points and Fina Pellerin added eight caroms and seven points.

"The kids really proved a point to-

day," NCCC Coach Kris Hansen said. "When I walked in the door I was told, 'Well, we'll see what you can do.' Everyone was saying that good teams come out of the North Country but they never can get past the first round. Morrisville had their newspaper articles all posted up, saying we were the dark horse of the tournament. Last I saw it's still hanging there."

"The kids all played really well. They're a credit to the North Country."

The Lady Saints led throughout Thursday, grabbing a 36-27 halftime lead and maintaining a 10-point bulge most of the way. Carron's hot shooting, including 9-of-11 from the foul line, kept Morrisville at bay.

"She was driving, she was hitting

from outside, she was hitting from all over, the foul line too," Hansen said.

North Country 38, Morrisville 61  
North Country (38)  
Lawrence, 2-15; Gilbo, 1-2; Luff, 5-12; Pellerin, 3-7.  
Washburn, 3-24; Carron, 14-27. Totals: 69-61.  
Morrisville (61)  
J. Johnson, 7-15; Jo. Johnson, 3-4; Abbott, 4-10.  
Grabowsky, 8-4; Mayfield, 8-21; Beers, 6-12; Wilcox, 6-4. Totals: 61-38.

Ballgame: North Country 38, Morrisville 61.



### Banking heavily on Steve

Phillies' Steve Carlton was rewarded with new contract agreement Thursday that will make him the highest-paid pitcher in baseball, making \$1.15 million for 1983 season. (UPI)

## Expos sign Terry Francona

# Phillies, Carlton strike a deal

**By United Press International**

Realizing they have the No. 1 pitcher in the majors, the Philadelphia Phillies have succumbed to baseball's version of the law of supply and demand.

The Phillies responded to the recent \$1 million contract awarded in arbitration to Los Angeles Dodgers' pitcher Fernando Valenzuela Thursday by reaching "an economic understanding" with Steve Carlton that would make the four-time Cy Young Award winner the highest-paid pitcher in baseball.

Under the agreement, Carlton, 38, would make \$1.15 million for the 1983 season, said club president Bill Giles from the Phillies' training camp in Clearwater, Fla. Giles said Carlton would make \$1 million a year for the 1984, 1985 and 1986 seasons under the contract. After 1986, the Phillies will have the option to renew the pact on a year-to-year basis.

"Steve deserves to be the highest paid pitcher because he is the best," Giles said. "I thought it was very important to have some peace of mind for Steve and peace of mind for us that he would be around with us."

Giles said a few disagreements over language still have to be ironed out, but it was expected that Carlton would sign the contract soon.

Carlton was the only 20-game winner in the majors last season, going 23-11, and also led the National League in strikeouts, complete games, shutouts and innings pitched. He won the Cy Young Award for a record fourth time.

At West Palm Beach, Fla., outfielder Terry Francona signed a contract with the Montreal Expos which could earn him up to \$150,000 this year. Francona, 23, has bonus incentives based on the second half of the season only. He is making a strong recovery from a serious knee injury suffered last June.

With what has been described by Expos president and general manager John McHale as "a different" contract, Francona has

bonus incentives based on the second half of the season only.

The 23-year-old Francona is making a remarkable recovery from a serious knee injury suffered last June. The Expos don't want to pressure him into thinking he must win a starting job at this camp.

"We want him healthy at the start of the season," says McHale. "He can earn his money by playing regularly in the second half."

At Bradenton, Fla., right-handed reliever Enrique Romo informed the Pittsburgh Pirates he will not report to spring training because he wishes to play for an unsanctioned league in his native Mexico, a team spokesman announced. Pirates' executive vice president Harding Peterson responded that Romo, 9-3 with one save and a 4.36 ERA in 45 games last year, would have to submit his written intention to retire to avoid a \$500-a-day fine for not reporting to camp.

At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., veterans Butch Hobson and Bert Campaneris figure to be the biggest beneficiaries from the New York Yankees temporary loss of Roy Smalley.

Smalley was beginning his recovery from an emergency appendectomy performed Wednesday, and is not expected back in action for at least three weeks.

In the meantime, Yankee manager Billy Martin has had to do some reshuffling of his shortstop and third base plans. Smalley had figured in both.

Campaneris, 41, is in camp on a look-see basis and Martin said he will now get a long look at shortstop.

Andre Robertson is expected to share shortstop duties with Smalley once the season begins, but Campaneris, if he shows well, might now have a good chance to win a place as a backup.

Hobson, 31, split last season between the Yankees and their Columbus farm and was given little chance of winning a job with the big club this season. However, because veteran Graig Nettles is being given extra time by Martin to round into playing condition, there is a sudden need for third basemen.

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