



**Cardinal strike force**

The Buffalo net is under attack as Plattsburgh State Cardinals Dave Piromalli (7), Peter DeArmas (19) and Dan Marshall (24) stand ready for possible re-

bound. DeArmas set the tempo with a goal just one minute into the game as Cards went on to 9-2 victory. (P-R staff photos by Gerianne Wright)

**Moving into position**

Plattsburgh State's Steve Bester (14) and Tim Collins (2) position themselves for possible shot while teammate Mark LeDonne (22) digs for puck to goalie's left. Bester had his first hat trick of the season to lead Cardinals in romp over University of Buffalo Bulls.

# Cardinals bulldoze Buffalo, 9-2; Norwich next

**By BOB GOETZ**  
Sports Editor  
PLATTSBURGH — Plattsburgh State and the University of Buffalo had 1,753 loyal followers yawning for excitement Saturday night in a highly forgettable exhibition of hockey at the PSUC Field House.

Less than half that number was still around to see the game draw to a merciful conclusion with the Cardinals on top 9-2. It could have been much worse, though. The Cards, who had beaten the Bulls 15-4 in Buffalo two weeks ago, were in a position to choose the final score Saturday, but instead resorted to playing a free-wheeling, no-defense game for the better part of the second and third periods.

"It was the first game of the new season and it's nice to start off with a win," offered Plattsburgh State Coach Steve Hoar. "But in a game like that you worry about guys developing bad habits."

The Cards, facing their toughest week of the season, can do without any more bad habits. Norwich University, which has won seven of its last eight, comes to town Tuesday, bent on avenging a 6-2 loss to the Cards at home in November. Then it's Elmira and Geneseo State in this weekend.

"It's a big week for us, no question about it," Hoar agreed. "We've got a tough row to hoe from here on. We've got six games left, five of them tough ones against potential playoff teams."

In Saturday's calm before the storm, the Cardinals were quick to take advantage of the beleaguered Bulls who had lost to Potsdam, 9-7, the night before. Plattsburgh jumped out to a 5-0 lead after one period with all four lines getting into the act in the first 10 minutes of play.

"The kids were determined to jump out on them quick and we took charge from the opening

face-off; scoring on our first shift," recalled Hoar. "That's what we have to do against these teams coming in. We've got to get the jump on them so we can dictate play."

Peter DeArmas started it off Saturday with his 17th goal of the season, just 62 seconds into the game. Neil Mulcahy, on a nice feed from Dave Piromalli, found an opening with a backhand at 4:48 and then Joey Ferras knocked in a second rebound shot at 6:52 for his 20th goal of the campaign.

Steve Bester connected for the first of his three goals at 9:44 and Steve Plaskon scored at 13:24 off a perfect set-up by Rick Stahl to stretch Plattsburgh's lead to 5-0.

Mulcahy came back with a nifty assist from Matt Cicchetti to get his second goal of the game and 12th of the season at 4:13 of the second. Bester then had one defect in off his thigh at 9:26 and John Swift smoked a power-play shot from the top of the left circle

past goaltender Gary Bekker at 12:49 for an 8-0 Card cushion.

Bester, left unattended at the left post, capped the Cards' scoring and his first hat trick of the season at 10:22 of the third.

"I had a lot of chances tonight. The floodgates opened for me tonight. I just hope they stay open," said Bester, who had made his third line change Saturday in joining freshmen Mark LeDonne and Tim Collins on the Green Line.

"It doesn't matter where you play, necessarily, as long as you get a shift. I like playing with Mark and Timmy. Our styles really click. They like to skate and forecheck."

Buffalo, capitalizing on Plattsburgh's defensive lapses, finally broke through for two goals in the last four minutes. Rick Brunner, who had taken over for Dan Bedard with 9:08 to play, could not be blamed for either score which were the direct result of breakdowns in the Card

coverage.

Plattsburgh, 13-2 in ECAC Division II play and 17-6 overall, gained on Rochester Tech which fell to 18-2 after losing to red-hot Elmira, 4-2. The Soaring Eagles, 13-3, will be at Oswego Tuesday and Plattsburgh Friday.

Union, meanwhile, played to a 2-2 overtime with Merrimack. The Dutchmen, at 8-3-1, are also in the thick of the fight. Oswego, 13-6, and Geneseo, 13-7-1, still have hopes for a high playoff seed.

"We have to prove ourselves all over again," said Hoar, Sunday night. "We have to prove ourselves Tuesday, against Norwich. They (the Cadets) don't feel they were beaten by superior talent, but by the referees. They feel they had the game stolen from them over there."

"Norwich could be the toughest game left. They keep coming at you. They play with a lot of heart and desire."

Card comments — Jeff Bu-

nyon, who cracked two vertebrae in first meeting with Buffalo, returned to Plattsburgh Saturday with great expectations of rejoining the Cards this season. Freshman winger was feared lost for the season, but has been given the green light to resume skating later this week.

"The Cortland game (Feb. 15), that's what I'm shooting for," beamed Bunyon.

Plattsburgh State 9, University of Buffalo 2

| Score by period:      | 0-0 | 2-0 | 7-2 |
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| University of Buffalo | 0   | 0   | 2   |
| Plattsburgh State     | 5   | 3   | 1   |

First period: 1. PSUC, Peter DeArmas (John Henrick, Dave Piromalli), 3:22. 2. PSUC, Neil Mulcahy (Piromalli, John Rice), 4:48. 3. PSUC, Joey Ferras (Steve Plaskon, Tom Griffin), 6:52. 4. PSUC, Steve Bester (Tim Collins, Mark LeDonne), 9:44. 5. PSUC, Plaskon (Rick Stahl, Ferras), 13:24. Penalties: Griffin, PSUC, 7:34; Loffer, Buff, 16:00; Bester, PSUC, 16:00; Caswinski, Buff, 17:30; C. Marshall, PSUC, 17:30.

Second period: 6. PSUC, Mulcahy (Matt Cicchetti, Tom Horvath), 4:13. 7. PSUC, Bester (Rick Plaskon), 9:26. 8. PSUC, John Swift (LeDonne, Bester), 9:26. Penalties: Loffer, Buff, 6:54; Cullen, Buff, 11:41; Samra, Buff, 14:14.

Third period: 9. PSUC, Bester (LeDonne, Collins), 9:26. 10. Buff, Marawski (Samra), 10:22. 11. Buff, Grajak (Hich, Bak), 17:10. Penalties: Loffer, Buff, 1:22; Henrick, PSUC, 1:22; Marawski, Buff, 2:50; Cullen, Buff, 18:50; Horvath, PSUC, 18:50.

Shots on goal: 12-3-16-31

Plattsburgh State: 17-34-13-64

Goalies: Bester, Buff; Bedard, Brunner (D), PSUC, A-1753.

# Damigella captures silver in nationals

From wire service reports  
KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UPI) — Lake Placid's Tracey Damigella captured the silver medal in the junior ladies division Saturday at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships.

Jill Trenary and Damigella turned in dazzling free-skating performances to win the gold and silver medals, respectively.

Damigella, 16, entered the final event Saturday ranked third after compulsories, and Trenary, 16, of Colorado Springs, was a distant fifth in the standings.

But Trenary's program brought the crowd to its feet for a long-standing ovation, and seven of the nine judges awarded her ordinal ones.

She accounted for only 12 ordinals and 95.90 points, while Damigella was just a step back with 16 ordinals and 95.30 points. Trenary's overall factorial placement was 6.0, compared with Damigella's 6.2.

The free-skating portion of the competition proved disastrous to two 15-year-olds, Dedie Richards of Fort Worth, Tex., and Tracey Seliga of Lunenburg, Mass. who entered the program 1-2 in the standing. Both had disappointing performances and fell to fourth and fifth, respectively, in the final standings.

Holly Cook, 14, of Bountiful, Utah, narrowly edged out Richards for the bronze.

Tiffany Chin masterfully blended power and grace into a



**Tracey Damigella**  
flawless performance to capture her first national singles title in the senior ladies. The 17-year-old from Toluka Lake, Calif., edged Pacific Coast rival Debi Thomas for the title with 2.0 factorial placement to Thomas' 5.0.

# Georgetown back on track; Orange handle Marquette

**By United Press International**  
They say you can learn a lot from losing. Georgetown Coach John Thompson learned he didn't like it.

After suffering successive losses at the hands of Big East Conference rivals St. John's and Syracuse, Thompson's club bounced back Sunday to hand a good ol' country whuppin' to Arkansas, 56-39.

"I had mixed emotions about losing. A lot of my real close personal friends said it would be the best thing that could happen to us," said Thompson. "I found it very difficult to see the good part about losing."

Georgetown, ranked No. 2 in the UPI Board of Coaches ratings, got a strong performance from Patrick Ewing, who scored 18 points and grabbed eight rebounds, in running its record to 19-2.

"If you lose a few ball games, it's easy to get down on yourselves," said Georgetown's Bill Martin. "(Beating Arkansas) is a good feeling because you don't want to get in the habit of losing."

In handing Arkansas its eighth loss in 23 games, the Hoyas did a masterful defensive job against the Razorbacks' center Joe Kleine. Kleine, a teammate of Ewing's on the 1984 Olympic team, managed only three points, although he did pull down nine rebounds.

Kleine credited a sagging Hoyas defense for his sub-par scoring effort.

"They really sagged in," he said. "It was pretty congested in there."

The Hoyas, who also got 14 points from David Wingate and 10 points from Martin, broke the game open with a 16-4 surge late in the first half.

The victory, the 280th for Thompson in his 13 years with the Hoyas, cranked Georgetown's winning streak over non-Big East opponents to 24 games, dating back to a loss to DePaul on Dec. 10, 1983.

The only offensive bright spot for Arkansas was forward Charles Balentine, who scored 22 points.

In other games Sunday involving top-ranked teams, No. 4 Southern Methodist topped Rice 68-52. No. 7 Illinois edged Houston 77-76 and No. 8 Syracuse trimmed Marquette 71-53.

At Dallas, Jon Koncak and Scott Johnson sparked a second half surge that lifted Southern Methodist to victory. Koncak, a 7-footer who was a member of

the 1984 Olympic team, scored 22 points with five of them coming in the second-half rush. Johnson, a sophomore guard, scored eight points during the streak and finished with a season-high 14. SMU boosted its record to 18-2 while Rice, 8-11, dropped its seventh straight game.

At Houston, Scott Meents scored 18 of his 22 points in the second half, including two free throws with nine seconds left, to lead Illinois to victory. The victory raised Illinois' record to 18-5 while the loss was the fourth in a row for the Cougars and dropped them to 13-8. Anthony Welch scored 26 points for Illinois.

At Syracuse, N.Y., freshman center Rony Seikaly scored 19 points to lead the Orangemen to victory. With Seikaly scoring eight points, Syracuse outscored Marquette 15-4 to open the second half and coasted to victory. The Orangemen raised their record to 15-3 while Marquette fell to 11-7.

In Saturday's action involving top 20 clubs, No. 1 St. John's (17-1) demolished Connecticut 97-64. No. 3 Memphis State (17-1) defeated Virginia Tech 91-82. No. 6 Oklahoma (17-4) eclipsed Oklahoma State 83-81. No. 9 Georgia Tech (16-4) dumped No. 17 Maryland (17-6) 72-60 and Indiana State shocked No. 10 Tulsa (17-3) 100-94.

Also, No. 11 Michigan (16-3) downed Wisconsin 94-81. No. 12 Oregon State (16-3) topped Stanford 83-73. No. 13 Nevada Las Vegas (17-2) clobbered Utah State 101-83. No. 14 North

Carolina (16-5) bombed Furman 77-55. Louisville beat No. 15 DePaul 77-73. No. 19 Alabama Birmingham (19-5) dropped South Alabama 81-73 and No. 20 Kansas (17-4) tripped Nebraska 91-80.

At New York, Walter Berry scored 29 points and Chris Mullin added 20 to help St. John's win its 12th straight. The Redmen are now 9-0 in the Big East while Connecticut, 8-10, is 3-6 in the league.

At Memphis, Tenn., Keith Lee scored 25 points to help Memphis State secure its hold on first place in the Metro Conference. It also marked the second time in eight days the Tigers have defeated Virginia Tech, which dropped into a second-place tie with Cincinnati.

At Stillwater, Okla., Tim McCallister hit a 20-foot jumper with two seconds left to lift Oklahoma. Oklahoma State, 11-8 and 2-4 in the Big Eight, led by as many as 10 points in the second half, but the Sooners, 6-0 in the league, went on a 16-6 run to get back in it. Oklahoma's All-America Wayman Tisdale had 27 points and 13 rebounds.

At College Park, Md., Yvon Joseph scored 20 points and grabbed 7 rebounds and Mark Price added 16 points to lift Georgia Tech, 4-2 in the ACC.

At Terre Haute, Ind., John Williams scored 31 points and Johnny Edwards added 20 to help Indiana State end Tulsa's 14-game winning streak. Rick Fields chipped in 16 points for the Sycamores, 11-8 and 4-6 in the Missouri Valley Conference.



**Winning combination**

Elmer Zahurak, left, and Gene Jeneco captured the Diamond Trophy 2-Man Bobsled Championship at Mt. Van Hoevenberg Sunday. The True Sports Bobsled Club entry edged out Fuzzbusters' Dan Rock and Matt Roy. (P-R photo by Casey Simpson)

# True Sports sled takes 2-man title

LAKE PLACID — Elmer Zahurak and Gene Jeneco, sliding for the True Sports Bobsled Club, overtook Matt Roy and Dan Rock on the fourth and final heat Sunday to win the Diamond Trophy 2-Man Bobsled Championship at Mt. Van Hoevenberg.

Zahurak, of Stow, Ohio, and Jeneco, of Los Angeles, posted a four-heat total time of 4:05.87 to edge out Roy and Rock of the Fuzzbuster Bobsled Club with an aggregate time of 4:05.94.

Roy and Rock turned in the fastest trip of the weekend, a 1:01.03 in their first run Sunday to take the lead by 29 one-hundredths of a second. However, Zahurak and Jeneco came back with a 1:01.59 on their final run while Roy and Rock came down in 1:01.95.

World-team competitors Brent Rushlaw and Ed Card, of the Saranac Lake Bobsled Club, came in third in 4:06.30 with Bob Wilkins and Frank Hutchinson of the LaGree Bobsled Club, a distant fourth, in 4:09.14. Tony Carlino and Tony Horvath, of the Lake Placid Bobsled Club, finished fifth with a four-heat total of 4:09.35.

Eighteen teams were entered, but the Capital District team piloted by Pete Socaris was a late scratch. Pat Fountain and Bummer Dupree of the Western U.S. Bobsled Club spilled on their first run Saturday and were disqualified. Erol Tuemer and Avni Tuemer, sliding for the Lake Placid Bobsled Club, were also disqualified after overturning on their third run.

# Cefalo runs for the exit

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (UPI) — Miami Dolphins wide receiver Jimmy Cefalo chose to pass when it came to his wedding day.

Cefalo, citing "personal reasons," canceled his wedding Saturday four hours before it was to begin, said the Rev. Robert Miller of the Grace Lutheran Church, where the ceremony was to take place.

"He was there. He showed up. He canceled the wedding before everyone assembled," Miller said.

Cefalo was to marry Suzie Baker, a resident of State College, where Cefalo had attended Pennsylvania State University.

The ceremony was to be performed at 4 p.m. by the Rev. Frank Chambers, but Cefalo told the Miami priest at about noon that he decided not to marry, Miller said.

Cefalo would have been the second member of his team to wed last week. Dolphins quarterback Dan Marino was married Wednesday in his hometown of Pittsburgh.

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