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Boxing

Spann returns to ring tomorrow at Penta Hotel

BY ADVANCE STAFF WRITER

Former New Brighton resident Tracy Spann can see some light at the end of the tunnel, and the unbeaten lightweight boxer hopes it leads him to a long-awaited shot at a world championship bout.

Spann, of Plainfield, N.J., returns to the ring tomorrow night in a 10-round non-title bout against Eduardo Luciano in the ballroom of Manhattan's Penta Hotel. The main event will be televised live on SportsChannel (28), which begins its two-hour coverage at 8 p.m.

Spann

Spann, 25-0 with 19 knockouts, expects the bout to be his final action before an International Boxing Federation title match with champion Pernell Whitaker, whose mandatory defense with No. 1 ranked Spann is due in November. Spann is ranked No. 3 by the World Boxing Council and No. 4 by the World Boxing Association.

"We felt we have to keep him (Spann) busy," said co-manager Ben Cognetta, a Travis auto dealer. "Tracy's been working hard and should be ready to go."

It will be Spann's first bout since defending his International Boxing Federation Intercontinental 135-pound championship with a sixth-round TKO of Bernard Gray on May 17 in Philadelphia. Spann has continued to prepare in West Orange, N.J., under trainer Johnny Persol.

Luciano, a native of the Dominican Republic, has a 16-4 record with 12 knockouts. He trains out of Miami, Fla., and recently has been working out of Queens.

Tickets are priced at $20 (ringside) and $35 (golden ringside) at the Penta Hotel, located at 7th Ave. and 33rd St., Manhattan. Tomorrow night's card is scheduled to begin at 7:30.

Grid coaches' door open again

Hameline adds four new faces to Wagner staff

By JACK MINOGUE
ADVANCE STAFF WRITER

The swinging doors in the Wagner College football coaches' office are no different from those in any other small college program: The hours are long and the pay scale at a Wagner or a Montclair State will never be confused with Alabama's.

At Wagner, however, the doors have swung more often since the Seahawks won the NCAA Division III national championship in 1987.

There is, in fact, only one assistant, offensive coordinator Pete Pryzborowski, remaining from Walt Hameline's 1987 staff. Mark Murray (Navy), Steve Sorkin (Columbia), Bernie Walker (Ramapo), Mike Walsh (Upsala) and Kevin Flanagan (Upsala) left in the two off seasons following the national title.

What is different at Wagner is that head coach Walt Hameline keeps getting quality replacements, more often than not from other Division III schools. Hameline's reputation for letting his assistants coach is as much a reason as the reputation Wagner built with 10 consecutive winning seasons in the 1980s.

"Walt gives you the job and lets you do it," Walsh said when he left Wagner to become athletic director and head football coach at Upsala. "He lets people grow into the job."

And out of the job. "Walt will really go to bat for you when a better opportunity comes along," Murray said.

So, when the coaches' office door swung out this past off season as Tony Massella (high school head coach), Joe Bevelheimer (business plus part-time coaching at John Hopkins), and Greg Kovar (business in Florida) left, the quality replacements were there when the door swung the other way.

Beck Carroll McCarthy Smith

"The key," Hameline said, "is two of the new people have college coaching experience coming in."

Those two are defensive backfield coach Lee Beck and running back coach John McCarthy. Tight end coach Rich Carroll and defensive end coach Bill Smith, the remaining additions, come to Wagner from quality programs, Carroll from C.W. Post and Smith from Colgate.

Beck is the latest rider on the Albany State-to-Wagner shuttle, the same shuttle that brought the likes of defensive coordinator Mark Collins, Walsh, and Sorkin to Grymes Hill. A defensive back at Cortland State, the Marcellus, N.Y., resident coached a year at Christian Brothers Academy and Albany State before signing on at Wagner.

Carroll was a guard on the Post offensive line that beat up on Wagner last season. The Douglaston, Queens, resident was All-ECAC, All-Liberty Conference, and a Liberty Conference scholar-athlete last season.

McCarthy coached the secondary for Staten Islander Dennis Barrett at Kings Point last season. A tight end and a basketball player at Williams College, the Sea Girt, N.J., resident coached two years at the high school level and two springs in Bologna, Italy.

Smith, a linebacker for three seasons and a defensive end as a senior at Division 1-AA Colgate, came to Wagner on the recommendation of former Wagner defensive coordinator Kevin Callahan, the defensive coordinator at Colgate during Smith's time there.

Roundup

Rab Wilkinson hits 290 game, 813 set

BY ADVANCE STAFF WRITER

Rab Wilkinson rolled an 813 series, including a 290 sparkler, in the Adult-Child Bowling League last night at Rab's Bowling on the Green.

Wilkinson added games of 277 and 246 for his 813 total.

Last night's noteworthy scores by lanes:

Bowling on the Green
Rab Wilkinson 290, 246, 277-813; Lou Gaudio Jr. 183, 214, 256-643; Jeff Kubasek 192, 220, 237-649; Lonnie Levy 204; Anthony Flora 194; Eric Klayman 230-573; Cathy Ockley 171; Fran Dunn 189, 193-508; Danielle Green 178, 179-508.

Basketball

Mike Dunn's two free throws with seconds remaining gave J&A Sound a 74-73 triumph over Bottomley's and the Berry Houses Unlimited League championship at the Dongan Hills courts.

Jay Zieris netted 16 to lead the winners.

Golf

EATONTOWN, N.J. — Barbara Casey shot a 46 to win the LaTourette Women's Golf Club's Flight A par fours only, 50 percent handicap tourney, at the Old Orchard Country Club.

Lynn Robbins and Bernadette Klumbach tied at second with 47 while Terri Accera was third with 48.

In Flight B, Rosemarie Ercole shot a 50, Kay Tulli and Charlyn Dondiego tied at 52 and Roxie Frammarino had a 55.

Tulli won the low putts.

LL registration

Great Kills Little League registration for the 1991 season will be held tomorrow from 7-10 p.m. and Saturday from 10-3 at the loop's complex.

Registration will include boys' baseball (ages 6 through 12), girls' softball (6-15) and boys' softball (13-15). Birth certificates and a utility bill are required. More information can be obtained at 984-2482.

Road racing

Michael Hart won the New York Road Runners Club Three-Mile Summer Speed Run at Clove Lakes Park with a time of 15 minutes, 15 seconds. Anthony Errico followed in 15:24 and Bobby Andrews was third in 15:56.

Bob Watson of the Stapleton AC was fourth with a time of 16 minutes flat and David Whitehouse trailed him by a second for fifth.

Correction

BY ADVANCE STAFF WRITER

Toni Abrams and Ellen Holzka shot a net 66 to capture the Richmond County Country Club's Women's Golf Club's Two Ball-Better Ball tourney at the Club.

The name of the club was omitted and the site of the play was incorrect in the Advance yesterday.

Other Staten Island finishers were Marc Harrington of Tottenville HS, 16:08; David Pere, SIAC, 16:12; Tony Etchison of the Stapleton AC, a personal best, 16:19; John Wowk, SIAC, 16:25; Tom Kelly, SIAC, 16:35; Tottenville HS students Eddy Ignazio, Ralph Caruso, and Kevin Jermyn, all 16:42; Arthur Noland, 16:47; Mitch Pirulis, 16:55; Juan Segura, SIAC, 17:02; Edward Manganel 17:08; Chris Gatto, McKee/SI Tech, 17:17; Mario Ricca, Club Florist, 17:19; Tottenville HS students Jimmy McComiskey, Steve Kanter and Bob Smith, 17:25; James Capper, Tottenville, 17:31; Bob McCarren, SI Special Olympics, 18:02; Tommy Hart, SI Road Runners, 18:40; Fred Curry, 18:46; Joe Carlucci Jr., 19:18; Karen Jermyn, 19:42; Tone Bratting, 19:46; Richard Attilio, SIAC, 20:08; Patricia O'Brien, SIAC, 20:09; Tottenville's Kelly Rosenberg, 20:33, Tara Consolmagna, 21:37 and Kerri Olive, 21:54; Nick Maniscalco, 20:50; Tony Celentano, 20:52; Jim Mahoney, SIAC, 20:59; and Robert Polemen of Curtis HS, 21:55.

Gary Kinney of Rossville, coming back from a major foot operation, ran the course in 21:04.

Dog show

ST. JOHN, New Brunswick — In the New Brunswick Kennel Club Show Kristen Salvesen, of Tottenville, owner of a Shetland sheepdog, Golden Dawn Sky Blue won a Canadian CD in the Junior junior novice handling class. The dog was handled by 6-year-old Kurt Salvesen. Kristen Salvesen, 12, also won first place in the senior novice junior handling class. Kristen won the best junior handler in the show.

Meadowrue Shadow of Onyx, owned by Marilyn Salvesen, also of Tottenville, handled by 14-year-old Eric Salvesen, took fourth place in the senior novice junior handling class.

Track and field

Joe DiMauro, a graduate of Moore Catholic HS who will enter St. John's University this fall, won the college hammer throw with a personal best 137 feet, 2 inches and was third in the discus with a 11-2 toss at the MAC Summer Meet at Randalls Island.

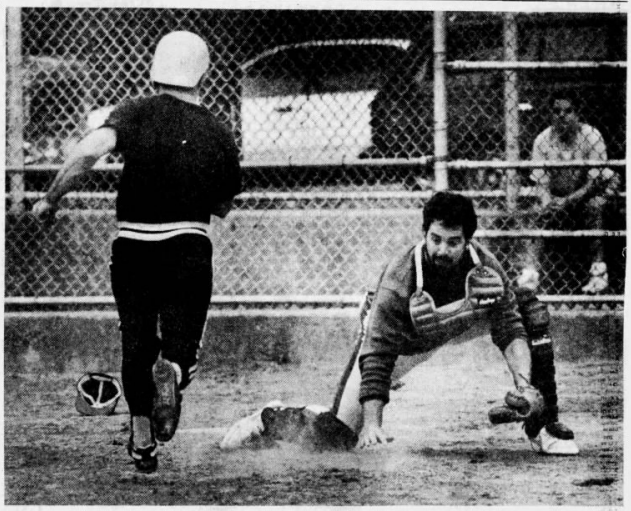
Mike Haun, a junior at Moore, won the high school hammer throw with a personal best 103-8 and was fifth in the high school discus with a toss of 81 feet.

Softball

Jason Robinson stroked a bases-loaded triple and had five RBI to vault Stapleton to a 9-5 triumph over Mariners Harbor in a New York City Housing Authority Senior game at PS 46, South Beach.

Lamont Allen smacked a two-run homer to help pitcher Ismail Clark to the win.

B and A baseball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Richmond County's Anthony McShane heads safely for home as Cary Tire catcher Marty Moriarty gloves the late throw.

Brown-n-Davis, Richmond County gain semis

BY ADVANCE STAFF WRITER

West division champ Brown-n-Davis and East division titlist Richmond County Savings Bank advanced to Wednesday's championship playoff semifinals last night. But Eric Echeverria stole some of their thunder by hurling a five-inning B and A Jewelers Twilight League no-hitter.

Brown-n-Davis 8, Cross Bay 4

B-n-D scored all its runs with two out and nobody on in downing Cross Bay at the Berry Houses field, Dongan Hills.

In the first with two out, Pat Daddio doubled to left and scored on an error on Dave Kuhn's infield grounder. Rich Collyer's triple scored Kuhn.

B-n-D tallied four in the third as Daddio doubled again, Kuhn singled him home and two walks loaded the bases. Steve Kuhn was hit by a pitch for another run and Glenn Goldberg drove in two with a single.

Cross Bay scored three times in the bottom of the fourth, with two coming off Pat Ammirati's double.

But B-n-D put it away in the fourth on Dave Kuhn's homer, and Collyer added an insurance run in the sixth with a single.

Nick Doscher allowed six hits in six innings, while Pat McAlarney earned the save.

Richmond County Savings 10, Cary Tire 3

Anthony McSherry stroked a double and a single and drove in two, as Richmond County Savings won at the Berry Houses field.

Victor Reich smacked two triples and knocked in a run, while Keith Ryan knocked in two with two hits and Billy Lonergan ripped a double and a single in two at bats.

Richmond Auto 9, Kings Bay 0

Echeverria struck out 10 as Richmond View Auto gained in its President's Cup Tournament opener at the Mariners Harbor Houses field.

Mike McKenna hit a two-run home run and John Casazza smashed a solo shot. Craig Weinberg and Armando Iacobellis combined for five RBI.

Brooklyn Reds 6, Elmwood Lanes 3

Frank Palmieri knocked in two runs and Jim DeSapio went the distance in a President's Cup contest at Clove Lakes Park.

Softball

Raia's single lifts Milchman Management

BY ADVANCE STAFF WRITER

Jim Raia's two-out single in the seventh and final inning drove in the deciding run, as Milchman Management edged Just for Kicks 5-4 last night in the **Ray's Island Sports Hardtop League** championship playoff series at the PS 50 field, Oakwood. Scott Milchman went 3 for 3 for winning pitcher Chuck Parisio.

At South Beach Park, Joanie Mazella and Joe Volpe combined for six hits and four runs batted in and pitcher Joe Kacavich won his second in a row, as JAS Trading dumped Shore Inn 7-2 to advance to the **Just for Kicks Coed League** A finals for the fourth straight year.

Parisi Management Construction rallied from a five-run deficit to score an 8-6 win over Fitzpatrick's at the Berry Houses field, Dongan Hills. Mary Bazzone and Dennis O'Donnell split six RBI.

In **Staten Island Medium Pitch League** action at Miller Field, New Dorp, Dan Lauffer and Tom Murray had three hits apiece to pace Slightly Chilled to a 7-3 playoff victory over Worldwide Tile.

Talk of the Town advanced to the next round of the playoffs by shutting out Recovery Room 7-0 behind Jerry Minetello's three hits.

Harbor Lights Cafe advanced to the **Bob Illig Memorial League** finals with a 6-2 decision over Old Towne Tavern at the Illig Field, New Dorp. Basil Tarasko tossed a three-hitter, and Larry Ross and Steve Carlozzi combined for four RBI.

S.I. Medium Pitch
Slightly Chilled 7, Worldwide Tile 3
Talk of the Town 7, Recovery Room 0
Detroit 12, Rag's Pub 6
Shearline Construction 5, Stars 5
W.J.M Construction 11, Jesse James 3
Just for Kicks
JAS Trading 7, Shore Inn 2
Parisi Construction 8, Fitzpatrick's 6
S.I. Major Feet Pitch
Air-land 6, Cheequer 4
Doherty's 6, Elbis 3
Ray's Island Sports Hardtop
Milchman Mgt. 5, Just for Kicks 4
ASA Medium Pitch
O'Angelo's 13, Berney's 7
ASA Major B
HBG 15, T-S Oilers 9
Bob Illig Memorial
Harbor Lights Cafe 6, Old Towne Tavern 2

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