

PHOTO OF THE DAY

Title 'Reclaimed'



Former Huron High School athletic director Mark Wendelgass holds up a 1930 Yankton boys' basketball state championship banner...

AREA DIGEST

Hemenway Leaves DWU

MITCHELL — John Hemenway, who led Dakota Wesleyan to a 115-49 record and four consecutive trips to the NIAA Division II Men's Basketball Tournament...

Coyotes, Gophers To Kick Off At 11 a.m.

VERMILLION — The University of Minnesota has announced its football contest against South Dakota, schedule for Sept. 11 at TCF Bank Stadium...

U-10 Soccer Players Needed

Any Yankton youth soccer U-10 players interested in playing soccer at the state recreational tournament being held in Sioux Falls are asked to meet at the south picnic shelter at Memorial Park...

NATIONAL DIGEST

Nebraska Minor League Team Goes Jersey In Promo

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — No Atlantic Ocean. No Springsteen. No sign of the Jersey Turnpike. The Omaha Royals are 1,300 miles from Seaside Heights...

AREA CALENDAR

- Thursday, May 27 BASEBALL, AMATEUR Menno at Wynot (7:30 p.m.); Yankton at Crofton (7:30 p.m.) SOFTBALL, GIRLS' S.F. Diamonds at Yankton Yellowjackets (DH, 7 p.m., Riverside) TRACK, COLLEGE OUTDOOR NAIA Championships at Marion, Ind. Friday, May 28 BASEBALL, AMATEUR Scotland at Lesterville (7:30 p.m.); Irene at Freeman (7:30 p.m., KVHT-FM) TRACK, COLLEGE OUTDOOR NAIA Championships at Marion, Ind. TRACK, PREP S.D. State Class AA Meet at Brandon; S.D. State Class A Meet at Lennox; S.D. State Class B Meet at Sioux Falls Saturday, May 29 SOFTBALL, GIRLS' Summer Slam Tour at Vermillion (Yankton Yellowjackets) TRACK, COLLEGE OUTDOOR NAIA Championships at Marion, Ind. Sunday, May 30 BASEBALL, AMATEUR Freeman at Wynot (7:30 p.m.); Irene at Scotland (7:30 p.m.); Lesterville at Tabor (7:30 p.m.); Yankton at Menno (7:30 p.m.) SOFTBALL, GIRLS' Summer Slam Tour at Vermillion (Yankton Yellowjackets) Monday, May 31 BASEBALL, HS CLUB S.D. State Class A Tour at Sioux Falls (Yankton, KYNT-AM, KVTM-AM); S.D. State Class B Tour at Lennox

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American League

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National League

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THE AL

eight hits in five-plus innings for Baltimore. The left-hander has lost five straight decisions. ANGELS 6, BLUE JAYS 5: ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Bobby Abreu hit an opposite-field RBI single with two out in the ninth inning...

THE NBA

Carter continuing to struggle. Amid an amped-up Amway Arena, Wallace picked up his third foul during the spurt and taunted Orlando fans all the way to bench. Wallace shouted and screamed to the stands, pointing at his ring finger for the championship he already won with Detroit — a title that has long eluded Orlando.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard table listing various sports events including NBA playoffs, NFL games, MLB games, and soccer matches.

INDY

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"The furthest I'll go is to say I look at safety first and that's always the most important thing to me," said Brian Barnhart, a committee member who is the series' president of competition and racing operations.

Cost is a key factor. Teams estimate the total cost of today's full-season package, chassis and engine, at more than \$1 million per car, and series officials believe lower costs will increase the number of teams and cars running in the series.

Bernard, the former Professional Bull Riders executive, also thinks the new designs will radically change the series by bringing back fans who have migrated to NASCAR or other racing circuits over the past 15 years.

By emphasizing innovation and speed, Bernard thinks the new cars will appeal to the old-fashioned IndyCar roots while introducing a new generation of race fans to a series that looks like it came straight out of the big screen.

Committee members won't say whether they've been using focus groups to get fan feedback, but some manufacturers have taken their sales pitches to the masses.

"We've gone through five generations of designs in coming up with this car because we've used social networks such as Facebook and Twitter to get feedback from fans about the designs," said Jan Relsdal, president of Swift Engineering.

They weren't the only ones taking a peek at the placards showing the new designs or the new Delta Wing model, which was on display behind the

Indianapolis Motor Speedway last weekend.

Drivers were curious to see the concepts and the fan reactions to them.

"To me it's not a revolution, it's an evolution," said 2007 Indy winner and two-time series champ Dario Franchitti. "Some of these do look quite radical so I keep asking people who were here in the '60s, when the rear engine came here for the first time, if there was a similar reaction to the Delta Wing. They haven't been able to answer that yet."

Franchitti's team owner, Chip Ganassi, has been closely involved with the Delta Wing, which has a thin nose resembling an airplane fuselage, a tail fin and no wings.

Ben Bowlby, chief technical officer for the company, believes the total cost of the car and engine would come in at less than \$600,000 because it could use a 4-cylinder engine. Another advantage is that the fuel tank would be reduced from 24 gallons to 11 to maintain the same number of pit stops, though the car could hit 235 mph.

"It would be turbocharged, that's the way you get higher efficiency," Bowlby said. "Honda could make the engine, Ford, GM, VW, it's the most common powertrain in the world."

BAT Engineering has produced a chassis that looks more like a sports car with its rounded lines and wavy wings, coming in at an estimated \$350,000 to \$375,000. Bruce Ashmore, chief operating officer of the engineering firm says the car can hit 230 mph with a 3-cylinder turbocharged engine and could run on road and street courses as well as ovals.

And like the Delta Wing, Ashmore says the car will be made entirely in America. "If we win the bid, every piece of it would be manufactured in Indiana," said Ashmore, who has been designing IndyCars since the 1970s.

Swift Engineering has a different selling point. The Batmobile comparisons are obvious, but it's the innova-

tion "mushroom busting" technology that clears out the dirty air and allows the cars to run closer together. Swift has already used the concept successfully in the Formula Nippon Series, and thinks it will work in IndyCars, too.

"There's no question innovation has been a part of IndyCar racing and what put it on the map is that appealed to fans," former Indy champ and committee member Gil de Ferrari said. "But I know a little bit about the automotive industry and it had the same quandary. If you're not a car engineer or a powerful consumer, most consumers are limited to what they see today, so it's hard to know what excites them."

Perhaps that's why Lola has gone with a more traditional look, while the only manufacturer to currently provide an IndyCar chassis, Dallara, has made moderate adjustments to get the costs down to \$350,000 to \$400,000.

Sam Garrett, the U.S. technical liaison for Dallara, said the biggest difference between the current chassis and the one on the drawing board is that teams spend about \$350,000 on the chassis and about another \$350,000 to upgrade the parts. The new version would include 100 percent of the parts.

But Garrett welcomes the competition.

"Personally, I would be quite happy if they announced multiple manufacturers because it makes my job more interesting," he said. "But if it's a single manufacturer, I want it to be Dallara."

Lola was the only company of the five that did not respond to interview requests.

So the biggest question for the committee is this: How radically do they want to change the look of IndyCar racing?

"We've been in the same car for eight or nine years now and they've come up with a design to try something different, which I think is good," 2008 Indy winner Scott Dixon said. "I don't really care what kind of car I drive as long as we're racing and having fun." And appealing to fans.

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