

Xavier's Trcka wins state bowling title

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DES MOINES -- Xavier sophomore Tara Trcka rolled a 248 in her third game and won the Class 1A state bowling individual title Thursday at Plaza Lanes.

Trcka, who had battled a hand injury the last two weeks of the season, beat Dubuque Wahlert's Kristina Hochrein by three pins. Wahlert won the 1A girls team title.

Western Dubuque won the boys team title and Red Oak's Taylor Mellott was the individual winner, rolling a 750 series.

Less than a week ago, Trcka's hand was so sore that she barely was able to qualify for the girls state bowling tournament. She was one of the last players to make the field as an at-large entry after rolling a 388 in Saturday's regional tournament at May City Bowl.

But she had the line Thursday.

Trcka rolled a 236 game in the first round to take a four-pin lead over Hochrein and Creston's Taylor Hance.

Hance held a 23-pin lead over Hochrein after the second round, when Trcka slid to third place with a 190 that put her 31 pins back.

Trcka dueled Hance in the final game, beating her Mississippi Valley Conference foe by 11 pins, 248-237. Hance, meanwhile, rolled a 197 and finished in third place, 20 pins behind Trcka.

The Class 2A tournament is Friday. Jefferson, Linn-Mar and Kennedy will compete for the girls team title and Linn-Mar for the boys.

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At Des Moines (Plaza Lanes)

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Boys

Team totals

1. Western Dubuque 3209, 2. Red Oak 3179, 3. Mount Pleasant 3134, 4. Denison-Schleswig 3092, 5. Camanche 3089, 6. Waverly-Shell Rock 2922, 7. North Scott 2861, 8. Oelwein 2840, 9. Knoxville 2650, 10. Creston 2536.

Individuals

Taylor Mellott (Red Oak) 265-229-256--750
Bryce Bartlett (Western Dubuque) 267-206-224--697
Josh Gotto (Denison-Schleswig) 258-215-211--684
Dylan Walters (Waverly-Shell Rock) 235-197-222--654
Daniel Langholz (Denison-Schleswig) 238-207-191--636
Brian Wade (Red Oak) 188-235-211--634
DJ Silvestri (Oelwein) 203-243-172--618
Austin Pruett (Camanche) 258-168-189--615
Kevin Wesely (Mount Pleasant) 201-244-169--614
Daniel Ruth (Mount Pleasant) 215-215-155--585
Philip Keairnes (Denison-Schleswig) 231-192-147--570

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Girls

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1. Dubuque Wahlert 2914, 2. Newton 2698, 3. West Delaware 2659, 4. Keokuk 2650, 5. Creston 2561, 6. North Scott 2549, 7. Mount Pleasant 2548, 8. Red Oak 2506, 9. Le Mars 2433, 10. Waverly-Shell Rock 2322.

Individuals

Tara Trcka (C.R. Xavier) 236-190-248--674

Kristina Hochrein (Dubuque Wahlert) 232-202-237--671

Taylor Hance (Creston) 232-225-197--654

Tarah DeSotel (West Delaware) 180-234-194--608

Faith Shultz (Camanche) 196-202-175--573

Amanda Francy (Mount Pleasant) 180-212-181--573

Holly Klein (Dubuque Wahlert) 185-206-178--569

Hope Seyb (Keokuk) 204-195-154--553

Carolyn Corson (Waverly-Shell Rock) 227-167-158--552

Noella Van Brogen (Newton) 164-246-141--551