

Youths Set Three Swim Records

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LEGION BASEBALL

Torrance, South Tied for Bay League Lead

After five games the Torrance and South Torrance summer American Legion baseball clubs find themselves deadlocked for first place in the Bay League standings with identical 4-1 records as one of the biggest weekends of the season for both teams approaches.

The first doubleheader of the campaign will be held Saturday at Torrance Park with South—coached by Tom Clements—entertaining Hawthorne at 12 noon and the Torrance-El Segundo tilt following at about 3 p.m.

HAWTHORNE and El Segundo—defending league champion—are lurking in second place just one game back of the leaders with 3-2 records.

South, which KO'd Redondo 7-0 in its only game last week, will probably send either Bob Wehrhan or Larry Thomas to the hill Saturday with the other scheduled to throw Sunday's game at Recreation Park in El Segundo.

Torrance manager Ozzie Grimes will probably pitch left-hander Tommy Richardson Saturday and follow up with equally lefthanded Ray Wilson or Billy Kehoe on the Sabbath against Gardena at Torrance Park.

In last Sunday's game, Richardson blanked Hawthorne 8-0 and led the hitting with two RBIs. Bob Wallace and Jerry McLean also drove two runners home in the contest.

IN THE SATURDAY encounters, South's Jerry Anderson (two singles), Joe Austin (a triple) and Rick Gomez (two safeties) led the 7-0 hitting brigade as Wehrhan and Thomas combined efforts for the white-wash job over Redondo.

Torrance's big guns in an 8-6 triumph over Lomita were Billy Kehoe (2 RBIs), Ray Wilson (2 hits), and Jim Armstrong with a double as the locals scored twice in the 10th inning to pull it out of the fire, 8-6.

AS LATE AS the fifth inning Torrance was trailing 6-0.

South 103 300 000—7 8 2
Redondo 000 000 000—0 4 6

Torrance, 8-6
Torr. 000 050 010 2—9 8 0
Lomita 102 300 000 0—6 8 5

Torrance, 8-0
Hawthorne 000 000 000—0 6 7
Torrance 140 021 000—8 8 1

Esabs, Rebels Win in Girls Softball Play at McMasters

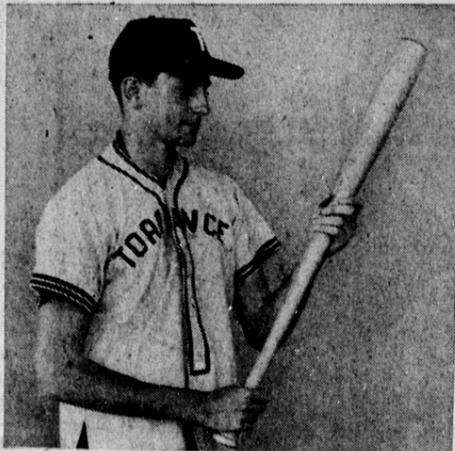
Two one-sided games opened play in the Girls Softball League this week at McMasters Park. The Rebels knocked off the Southwest Park girls 15-5, and the Esabs, last summer's champs, blanked the Spartettes 18-0.

The big hitters for the Rebels were Arden Hampton and Jan Crew, each picking up three singles.

The Esabs came up with eight runs in the first inning, and it was no-contest after that. The game was highlighted by two home runs, one by Esabs' shortstop, Kathy Fisher, and the other by first baseman Cynthia Pedersen.

R H E
SW Park 0203—5 3 6
Rebels 3066—15 12 4
Watt and Hart; Crams and Harding.

Spartettes 000 00—0 4 8
Esabs 862 2x—18 10 5
Miller and Davis; Clements and Keller.



HOME RUN HAPPY... Erv Palica, Torrance High varsity baseball letterman, fondles favorite bat after smashing three home runs this week, two in one game, for the Beavers of the Torrance Babe Ruth League. In two-homer game, Palica went 4 for 4 for perfect game as team upended Dons, 13-10 in slugfest. (Herald photo).

Palica Slugs Two Homers, Goes 4-4; Masaki Whiffs 20 Batters

Babe Ruth Leaguer Erv Palica went on a one-man batting warpath that he'll be a long time remembering and rival managers a longer time forgetting Sunday when he sparked his Beavers to a 13 to 10 victory over the Dons at Del Amo Field.

Palica, a 15-year-old first baseman, socked two home runs, a double and a single on a 4-for-4 binge while producing six runs as the Beavers

creeped to 3½ games of the league-leading Elks.

THE PAIR of round trippers boosted his pace-setting total to five after nine games, and the perfect day at the plate sent his average soaring to .590, also tops in the 10-team league.

What really irked Erv—Dons however was when Erv—a lefthanded swinger—slapped a single to left field while in the process of being purposely walked with runners in scoring position.

But the opposition got one in close enough to hit so he delivered the base hit!

But perhaps even matching Palica's performance this week was a stirring pitching effort by 14-year-old Richard Masaki of the Dons who struck out 20 batters in a 3-2 10-inning triumph over the Angels.

THE 29 WHIFFS stands as a new league record. He gave up only one walk in the marathon contest.

Another 14-year-old hurler, Norm Casson of the Solons fanned 11 and gave up but three hits in sticking the Elks with their first defeat of the campaign, 6 to 2.

Good news for 13-year-old players in the league this week came via the decision of the board of directors to join the activity of the Mike Scarantino Memorial Cup for an all-star team for competition in this age bracket. More information on this will be delivered this week.

Standings W L Pct. *
Elks 8 1 .889
Dodgers 7 2 .778 1
Solons 7 2 .778 1
Beavers 5 3 .610 3½
Seals 4 5 .445 4
Angels 4 5 .445 4
Padres 3 5 .389 4½
Dons 3 6 .333 5
Oaks 2 7 .222 6
Mounties 1 8 .111 7

100 Drivers Compete in Ascot Meet

More than 100 of the Pacific Coast's best stock car drivers will vie in the biggest event of the season Saturday at Ascot Stadium when a NASCAR-PRA double header program will take place.

The slate will include two 4-lap trophy dashes, six 10-lap heat races and topped by two 50-lap main events.

The NASCAR entry list is topped by Marvin Porter, Lake-wood's '59 National Short Track Champion and winner of the recent 250 mile Grand National at Hanford.

Heading the PRA contingent is young Van Nuys leadfoot, Hal Grist, winner of several recent races and current point leader.

Gates open at 6:30 p.m., time trials from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m., with the first racing event at 8:15 p.m.

DFG Hits Goldfish Spawn at Big Bear

While trout fishermen at Big Bear Lake continued to take excellent catches, the Department of Fish and Game this week resumed its war against goldfish in the lake.

Phil Houser, 12, Shatters Two Marks, Ties Another

Twelve-year-old Philip Houser of Torrance shattered two national swim records and tied another Sunday and eight-year-old Anita Felix, also of Torrance, set a new national record for her age group at the Santa Clara Valley Open Swimming Championships featuring aquatists from southern, central and northern California and Oregon. Houser, a sixth-grade student at Madrona Elementary School, clipped five seconds off the former

OVER WEEKEND

Red Devils Fall Twice in Connie Mack League

Righthander Dennis Hogue was affected by early wildness in two starts last weekend and was tagged with two losses as Torrance's Red Devils dropped two Connie Mack League tilts to Culver City and Westchester.

Hogue started Saturday and failed to last the first inning—being pelted for four runs as the locals went on to lose 8-4.

MANAGER BO Palica summoned Billy Morris in for relief duty and the ex-Loyola High hurler went the rest of the way, giving up three runs—one on a 6th inning homer.

Hogue started Sunday's contest and was nicked for three runs in the first two innings as he yielded four safeties and two walks before settling down to blank Westchester the final six rounds. But the early damage was enough as the Red Devils picked up a 3-1 loss.

Palica indicated he'd go with Morris for this Saturday's match with San Pedro, and will follow-up with Hogue on Sunday afternoon at Torrance Park against Hawthorne.

THE RED DEVILS are 1-2 in the Connie Mack standings, with 9 games remaining on the schedule.

Culver City, 8-4
Culver 510 002 000—8 10 1
Torr. 200 000 011—4 6 3

Westchester, 3-1
Torr. 000 010 000—1 4 0
Wch't'r 210 000 00x—3 10 0

Ex-Gymnast Favored in Drag Race

Leonard Harris of Playa del Rey, most consistent winner of recent weeks, will be favored to take King of the Drag honors against a top array of drivers, at Lions Associated Drag Strip, Long Beach, Saturday.

The former American gymnastic champion, who toiled the Albertson Olds to a single engine record of 168.85 m.p.h. on the 223rd St. blacktop, will face a formidable field.

It will include such as Bob Brissette, Glenn Stokely, Tom Koulan and, once again, Allen (Lefty) Muddersbach. The Pico-Rivera ace has been building up and tooling both two- and three-engine gas dragsters, but is now back to action with a single, Chev-powered rail job.

Qualifying runs will start at 3:30 p.m., with eliminations from 7:30, until 10:45, said Director Mickey Thompson.

TV Lark Heads Strong Field For Saturday's Cinema 'Cap

T.V. Lark, the \$10,000 bargain yearling who just recently won the \$33,300 Argonaut Stakes from a field of hard-hitting sophomores heads a strong lineup for the \$50,000 added Cinema Handicap at Hollywood Park Saturday.

His competition was reduced when the flashy Flow Line, winner of the Will Rogers Stakes on Memorial Day, injured a cannon bone while pulling up from a fast work-out last Friday.

But the mile and one-eighth Cinema, the last major stepping stone to the \$100,000 added Hollywood Derby on July 9, will not lack for excitement and a stand-out field of three-year-olds.

T.V. Lark who ran his two-year old earnings to \$181,952 in 1959 defeated Flow Line twice at the Bay Meadows meeting, and his connections thought enough of him to send him East for a whirl at the Preakness.

SUMMER LEAGUE

Bacon Cagers In 66-65 Loss In Alhambra

Jack Runyon missed his second attempt on a one and one foul shot situation with seven seconds remaining to play Monday evening as Bacon Ford (El Camino College) dropped a 66-65 squeaker to Pre Fab Products at Mark Keppel High School.

The game marked the opening of the 1960 Alhambra summer league season for Coach George Stanich's crew.

No more than four points separated the two teams throughout the tussle, and Bacon held a three-point 31-28 halftime edge.

Bacon Ford (65): F Steward (15), Dimech (15), F Woblmuth (17), Galtiera (10), F Bland (10), Boyd (4), G Powell (15), Runyan (18), G Gurarra (5). Halftime score: Bacon Ford 31, Pre Fab 28. Scoring subs—Bacon: Kinsery (2), Reinert (2), T. Karavas (7), Pre Fab: Wittington (2).

Phil, who takes to water as naturally as most youngsters take to baseball or running, increased his national record cache to eight—all set this year—for his 11-12 year age group.

Representing the South Bay Swim Club and coached for the past 2½ years by Anna Jensen, Houser's new 100-yard medley record stands at 2:23.4, which is 5.4 seconds lower than the former record.

His 1:04.3 butterfly mark is .65 off the former record, and his 1:17.9 breaststroke time equalled the existing national record.

Phil won the freestyle swim in 1:59.2 and churned his way to a first in the breaststroke in 1:09 flat to complete his "pentathlon" triumph.

Anita Felix, 8, representing the Aquamarine Swim Club, broke the 25-yard swim record in her age class, 17 seconds flat, .25 off the old record.

Anita has been swimming for three years and is coached by Ralph Zwolsman. At Santa Clara she also took a first in the backstroke (18.5), a second in the freestyle (15.7) and a third in the breaststroke, 21.3.

She lives at home at 22305 Ladeene, Torrance, and is a student at Meadow Park School.

Houser, who lives with his parents at 3206 Antonio Street, now holds six national AAU records and two national junior Olympic swim marks.

They include the 200 meters individual medley (2:47.3), 200 yard individual medley (2:23.4), 100 meter butterfly (1:13.3), 100 meter long course butterfly (1:04.9), 200 yard individual medley (2:27.3), and the 50 yard backstroke, 31.6.

Standings W L *
Yanks 12 2 —
Red Sox 8 7 4½
Tigers 7 7 5
Cards 6 8 6
Indians 5 9 7
White Sox 5 10 7½
(6 games behind leader).

Will Sherman Inks '60 Ram Contract

Will Sherman, senior member of the Ram defensive backfield, has come to terms for the 1960 season, general manager Elroy Hirsch revealed today.

Valles, Ratzloff Spark Cards to 13-7 Pony Victory

Bill Valles and John Ratzloff went 3-for-4 Friday as the Cards upended the White Sox 13-7 in the Central Pony League. Steve Kealey collected three hits for the losers.

In other games this week, the league-leading Yanks downed the Tigers 8-3 behind a two-hitter by John Marjala, and the Red Sox nipped the Indians, 8-6.

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PHIL HOUSER



ANITA FELIX

Sparks Initiates Triple Play in Pony League Game

The first reported triple play of Torrance's 1960 youth baseball season was pulled off Sunday by the Indians of the Pacific American Babe Ruth League during a 10-8 victory over the Athletics.

In Saturday's game, the league-leading Orioles maintained a half-game lead by stopping the Tigers, 10 to 3.

With Athletic runners on first and second, Indian second sacker Sid Sparks snared a line drive, stepped on his base for the second out then rifled to first baseman Randy Lee to complete the picture play triple killing.

In the same game, Steve Judson socked a two-run home run

Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Orioles	9	1	.900 —
Red Sox	8	1	.888 ½
Braves	6	4	.600 3
Tigers	6	5	.545 3½
Athletics	4	5	.450 4½
Yankees	4	6	.500 5
Indians	2	9	.181 7½
Senators	1	9	.100 8

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