

PRESS Sports

Los Angeles Angels to Hold Free Agent Tryout Camp

The Los Angeles Angels will hold a free agent tryout camp at Sawtelle Veterans Hospital baseball field February 6-9, it has been announced by General Manager Fred Haney.

The camp will be under the supervision of Angels' Manager Bill Rigney and his coaching staff, which is presently comprised of Bob Elliott and Red Kress.

Haney said, "We are holding this camp for free agents, since only signed players will be permitted in our spring training camp at Palm Springs."

The Angels request that only those free agents eligible to be signed report to the camp. All prospects should bring their own uniforms, spikes and other equipment.

In addition to Rigney and his aides, others expected to be on hand for the camp are Haney and Farm and Scouting Director Roland Hemond, who assumed his duties last week.

Rigney is expected to announce completion of his coaching staff within the next week.

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Ruth League Registration Scheduled

Al Welch, President of the North Torrance Babe Ruth League, announced that the League will hold players' registrations on Saturday, February 11, 1961 starting at 9 a.m. at Guenser Park located at 178th and Gramercy.

In case of rain the registrations will take place on Saturday February 18th at 9 a.m.

Boys aged 13, 14 and 15 are invited to register for the coming ball season. They should bring birth certificate or other proof of birth date at time of registering.

DODGER CHIEF TOPS

Walt Alston is now considered baseball's senior manager because of his continuous service with the Dodgers.

When Casey Stengel relinquished the Yankee pilot post to Ralph Houk, Alston stood alone as the only manager who hasn't moved in the last seven seasons.

When Walt moved up from Montreal in '54, his rivals in the National League were Stan Hack, with the Cubs; Birdie Tebbetts, with the Reds; Charlie Grimm, with the Braves; Leo Durocher, with the Giants; Steve O'Neill, with the Phillies; Fred Haney, with the Pirates, and Eddie Stanky with the Cardinals.

Over in the American League the reigning dugout rulers were Jimmy Dykes, at Baltimore; Lou Boudreau, at Boston; Paul Richards, at Chicago; Al Lopez, at Cleveland; Freddie Hutchinson, at Detroit; Eddie Joost, at Kansas City; Casey Stengel, at New York, and Buckey Harris, at Washington.

Including 1945 and up to the moment there have been 24 managerial appointments on the seven other National League clubs, and 31 in the American League.

GONE FISHIN'

Six Dodgers are headed for a fishing tournament in Las Vegas February 1. Bidding for prizes on Lake Mead will be Norm Sherry, Norm Larker, Wally Moon, Roger Craig, Stan Williams and Ed Roebuck.



Info Desks; U-24 to Be At Boat Show

A complete boating information center, to answer technical questions of the Southern California boating fraternity, will be an innovation at the 1961 Southern California Marine Association Boat Show Jan. 20-29 at Great Western Exhibit Center.

Information booths with data on all specialized nautical subjects (from where Junior can join the Sea Scouts to the compression ratio of diesel engines) will be found in the central exhibit building, on Atlantic Boulevard just off Santa Ana Freeway.

200 MPH BOAT

An unlimited class hydroplane, of radically new design, blueprinted to top 225 m.p.h., will be another stellar exhibit at the show.

The potential world record breaker, Jeffrey's U-24, was designed by Armand Swenson, Santa Monica marine engineer who designed Miss Bardal, the 1958 national unlimited class champion.

The Boat Show display of the hotshot craft will be the first public view of the U-24. After the Boat Show closes, the speedburner will be shipped to Lake Mead, Las Vegas, for time trials prior to the summer racing season. The present world record

for unlimited hydroplanes is 192 m.p.h., held by Miss Thriftway.

Swenson said the U-24 embodies entirely new concepts of speedboat design. It can maneuver and remain stable on one of its three "sleds," if water conditions make it necessary.

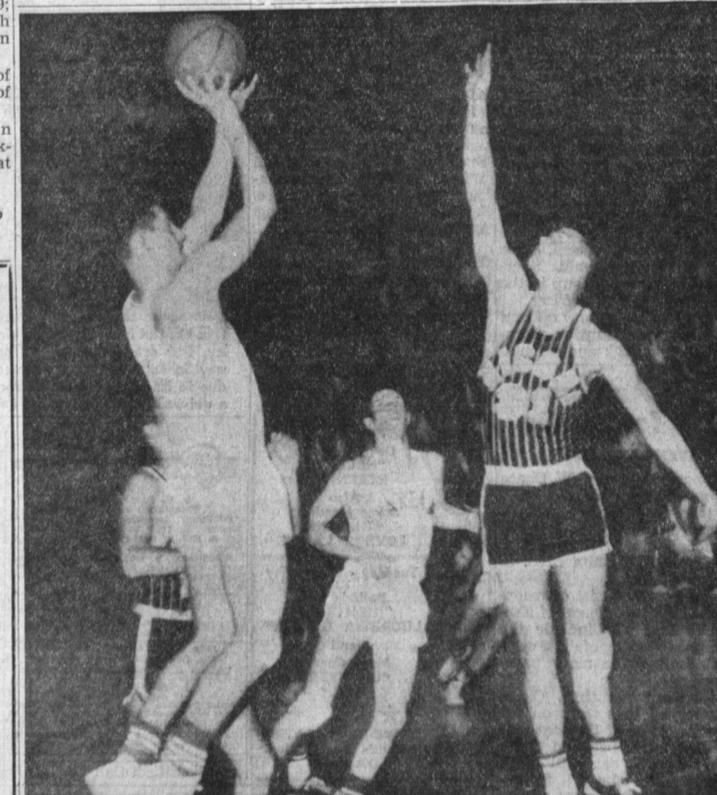
Dimensions of the new craft are impressive. She is 25 feet, six inches long, with an eight-foot beam. A gasoline turbine engine, that will rev up 10,500 to 12,750 horsepower, will be installed in the craft. Cost of construction, less engine, was \$28,000.

LADIES DAY TOO

The Boat Show is the annual showcase of the industry, and the '61 exhibition includes complete lines of 1961 model boats, all types of engines and marine accessories.

H. Werner Buck, executive producer of the show, announced today that all escorted women will be admitted free on the two official Ladies Days—Mondays and Tuesday, Jan. 23 and 24.

The Dodgers have had the top player in minor league baseball two straight seasons—Frank Howard in 1959 and Willie Davis last season.



AUSTIN UP—Joe Austin, 54, goes up for two points in South's losing fight with Mira Costa in the Spartan gym Friday night. The Mustangs put the game on ice with a last

minute basket before about 1500 frenzied fans. Mike Andrews, 52, hopefully watches the ball leave Joe's hands. —Photo by Dave Kratzer



Bowling has its code of ethics and sportsmanship and Gable House hopes that each bowler, league or other, follows the few simple and courteous rules.

The bowler on the lane to your right has the right of way. You can give him a quick sign to go ahead as to slow up the game. Let each bowler take this time as bowling should be fun and not a constant heckling game.

After making your delivery and the pins fall, walk back immediately to the end of the approach. Don't jump up and down or run across adjoining lanes bothering other bowlers.

Another helpful tip is to keep children away from the ball return racks. So many little fingers can be pinched and on occasion, the re-set button is accidentally pushed.

Most of all don't lose your temper. Remember, you don't have to play a sport good—to be a good sport.

50 AND OVER CLUB
I interviewed Ruth Caudle this week and learned how excited she and her husband, Bill, are in the formation of their league action at Gable in April. They hope to enlarge the membership to fifty charter members (ages 50 and over). Single and married people are welcome.

Besides bowling, there will be other activities such as parties, excursions, meetings, square dancing, and last but not least a King and Queen contest.

Mrs. Caudle and Jerry Homel, General Manager of Gable House, plan to have free classes for anyone over fifty on Sunday morning, January 29, at 10 o'clock. So make a date to visit Gable next Sunday.

THE TUESDAY EVENING THREE PLUS TWO handicap League which bowls at 6:30, is the "League of the Week." This league has six teams with five members on each. Team 2, the Headhunters, and team 1, the Alley Gaiters, are tied for first place with 48 wins and 24 losses. Running a close third place, one game down, is team 5 (Bardahl).

Weekly honors are held by MHS, Bill Keck, 579; MHG, Charles Knov, 223; WHS, Kay Liggett, 530; and WHG, Billie Morris, 106. Season top honors to date are held by MHS, Jim Liggett, 709; MHG, Ken Urry, 278; WHS, Billie Grant, 642; and WHG, Lorry Page, 249.

TOP PINNERS
The members of the top team and their averages are as follows: Team 2—J. Liggett, 165; K. Liggett, 132; J. Findlay, 155; J. Dowty, 129; and K. Byers, 176. Team 1—B. Norris, 141; S. Johnson, 107; E. Eck, 152; D. Eck, 150; and L. Grant, 166.

The other three teams are called the Pinmissers, The Strikers, and the Fireballs. A special tribute to team 6 (Fireballs) whose members are J. Simmons, R. Peterson, K. Peterson, J. Kasterko, and M. O'Melia.

LET'S EAT
If you visited the Rik-Sha Room last Monday and Tuesday, I'm sure you found the food excellent and the service exceptional, especially when you got two meals for the price of one. The special still holds, so let's see another big turnout.

DRYSDALE TOP FANNER
Statistician Allan Roth has dug up another figure to spotlight the Dodgers' strikeout penchant. Don Drysdale fanned 246 last season and Sandy Koufax whiffed 197. That was the first time any team boasted one-two in this department since Dazzy Vance and Burlleigh Grimes led the strikeout parade for Brooklyn in 1924—and the two-man total of 443 strikeouts is a new National League high for two members of the same staff. The old mark was 436 set by Christy Mathewson and Iron Man Joe McMinnity for the New York Giants of 1903.

LARKER AVERAGED .300
Charlie Dressen's bench jockeying of Norm Larker, his pet target, didn't pay off last season. Larker's .337 average against Milwaukee was high for the Dodgers in competition with the Braves. Norm, incidentally, hit .300 or better against every club in the league except the Phillies who "halved" him to .295.

WILLS BLASTS PENN
Maury Wills was at his best against the Pennsylvania clubs hitting .446 versus Philadelphia and .437 against Pittsburgh. In Connie Mack Stadium he hit .512. His high average against the World Champion Pirates was no fluke because he battered their pitching for a .394 average in 1959, giving him a two-year mark of .423 against the Pirates.

Table Tennis Referee Blind

While students were playing table tennis in a recreation room at Western Reserve College in Cleveland, Ohio in 1947, a fellow student who was totally blind requested that he be named referee.

From that moment on, Chuck Meddick has become well-known for his table tennis officiating, which he does strictly by ear.

Now a newspaper writer for a Long Beach publication, Meddick is rated the No. 1 table tennis referee in the United States and Canada. He officiated at most of the contests in the 1960 National Table Tennis Championships in Inglewood.

During Meddick's college days, his dad played the game in their home, and encouraged Chuck to officiate. Soon his dad took him to the National Championships, where he gained recognition as an outstanding referee.

Meddick was the first blind table tennis referee in the U.S. There are only two other in the country—one in England and one in Austria.

At his newspaper job, Meddick takes suburban sports stories over the phone and rewrites them on his typewriter. Most of his stories are of high school and college basketball, baseball and football.

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