

# Tartars Score 'Em by the Hundreds

## Sportsman of Year: LaRoche

For the selection of the "Torrance Sportsman of the Year," 17-year-old Dave LaRoche of West High School is the man. He spent the past 12 months competing uninterrupted in basketball, baseball and football and was outstanding in each sport.

LaRoche, a senior, has never played for a championship team in three and a half years at West High but he has established a few feats for future Warriors to challenge. They include 43 points in a single basketball game (Pacific Shores Tournament record), and the likelihood he will earn nine varsity letters, all in the role of a first-stringer. Inasmuch as West High was opened in the fall of 1962 when Dave was a freshman, he has been the school's only regular first baseman, relieved there only to take his turn pitching.

LaRoche's outstanding one game performance in baseball was a 5-0, one-hitter, against CIF-AAA championship El Segundo last year.

He scored 312 points in 21 basketball games

last winter to lead West to second place in the Pioneer League. In nine games this season he has a 26-point average with 234 points in nine games.

Asked which was his favorite sport, LaRoche is quite pleased with the way things are going on the basketball court, and then again, when baseball comes around he feels pretty much at home.

Concerned about his inability to build a "fat batting average," Dave believes if he is going to make it in baseball, it will have to be at pitching. In the summer he played the outfield for the Torrance Red Devils of Connie Mack League.

Because of his interest in a baseball career, LaRoche has not concentrated on football although he is considered an fine end.

For a hobby LaRoche favors automobile mechanics and is studying electronics. He has a B-average in school.

**THE OUTSTANDING** "team effort" of the past year was by the 1964-65 Torrance basketball team which came back from a 8-3 pre-Christmas cam-

paign to win 14 league and CIF playoff games. Running up 17 straight victories, Coach Will Boerger's varsity missed the CIF-AA championship by the margin of a 62-60 loss to Servite. Bob Brennan, Walt Hale, Bart Johnson, Rich Davies and Fred Carpenter made up the team.

Another basketball team, headed by Ron Taylor, Don Albin, Jess Jacobs, Greg Shearer, Bruce Troglin and Charley Richardson combined for the "best single athletic event of the year" when North High wrecked Redondo's 26-game winning streak, 54-49, in the semi-finals of the CIF-AAA championship at Long Beach. A crowd of 12,000 was dumfounded by the upset.

North suffered a 90-48 loss to Long Beach Poly for the championship.

The outstanding individual performance by an athlete in a single sport was by Danny Graham of Bishop Montgomery High who quarterbacked his team to an 8-1 record and second place in the Camino Real League football race.

## Torrance Wins 3rd Tournament

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Three basketball tournaments and a pair of victories in a hometown classic have run Torrance High's unbeaten basketball string to 13 games. The Tartars breezed past Rolling Hills, 83-53; West, 112-72, and South, 80-57, to win the first annual Bishop Montgomery Tournament.

The team started its victory string by winning the Pacific Shores and Beverly Hills tournaments.

Only in a doubleheader among Torrance and West, and El Segundo and North, during the second Friday of December have the Tartars played on their home court.

Coupled with 17 victories in their final 18 games last season, the team has won 30 of 31 games.

One of the hotshots of both seasons is Bart Johnson, a junior who was the outstanding Montgomery Tournament player with 89 points in three games. That's one point shy of a 30-point average.

None of the Tartars was named to the five-man tournament. Guard Robin Fisher had his best three games, however.

Based on a system of selecting the best opponent in each game, the coaches named Dave LaRoche of South, Ed Holmes of South, Geoff Gean of Rolling Hills, Kirby Gordon of St. Anthony's, and Jim Miller of Pater Noster all-tournament.

West closed out its three games by beating St. Anthony's for third place, 56-51. Bruce Cooke put West ahead to stay at 52-51 with a layup and followed with two free throws.

Consolation prize went to Pater Noster with a 71-65 win over Montgomery. Miller got 28 for the winners.

South salvaged seventh place by beating Fernin Lausen, 72-56 on Holmes' 26 points.

Torrance ran away from Rolling Hills with a 16-point

margin to close out the third quarter. The first string left with an 83-43 bulge with 2:36 remaining. Johnson had 33 points.

Torrance and South go into the Compton Tournament starting tomorrow.

Torrance, which once ran up 136 points against Lennox in a Pioneer League game, scored 59 in the first half of the West semi-final test and coasted to a 112-72 victory.

The Tartars took a 40-point lead early in the fourth period and held it. After Torrance set a tournament one-quarter record of 32 points in the second quarter, West got 32 in the fourth period.

West led 2-0 after Dave LaRoche scored the opening tipoff, but Torrance got the next 19 points during a 6-minute spurge before LaRoche got a free throw.

Including a half dozen tip shots, Torrance hit for 24 of 34 field goals in the first half. The team finished with a "ful house" as five players scored in double figures—Bart Johnson (30), Robin Fisher (18), Rich Kreul (17), Fred Carpenter (17), and Rich Thompson (12).

Bill Doyle missed the tournament after breaking his finger. Assistant Coach Jeff Boerger said the injury occurred while Doyle was playing basketball at home.

When the two teams met previously, Torrance beat West, 78-65.

Host Bishop Montgomery, beaten by South 87-87 in mid-December, came back in the tournament semis to shock the Spartans, 61-57.

## Tournament Boxscores

Torrance, 112-72					Torrance, 83-53				
	FG	FT	PF	TP		FG	FT	PF	TP
Torrance (112)	42	20	20	20	Torrance (83)	30	10	10	10
Johnson	8	4	4	4	Johnson	14	2	2	2
Kreul	1	1	1	1	Kreul	2	2	2	2
Carpenter	5	6	6	6	Fisher	5	2	2	2
Miller	1	0	0	0	Thompson	4	1	1	1
Whitney	1	0	0	0	Whitney	1	0	0	0
Thompson	3	2	2	2	Owens	1	0	0	0
Crockett	1	0	0	0	Jasper	0	0	0	0
Jasper	0	0	0	0	Silver	0	0	0	0
Guiden	1	0	0	0	Crockett	1	0	0	0
Oliver	0	0	0	0	Totals	36	13	13	13
Owens	2	0	0	0	West (72)	23	10	10	10
Totals	36	21	21	21	LaRoche	7	3	3	3
West (72)	23	10	10	10	Hyde	4	1	1	1
LaRoche	7	3	3	3	Ostendorf	4	2	2	2
Hyde	4	1	1	1	Bramhall	2	0	0	0
Ostendorf	4	2	2	2	Gautier	0	0	0	0
Bramhall	2	0	0	0	Parton	3	1	1	1
Gautier	0	0	0	0	Boeker	0	0	0	0
Parton	3	1	1	1	Tomas	1	2	2	2
Boeker	0	0	0	0	Cooke	2	2	2	2
Tomas	1	2	2	2	Hamm	0	0	0	0
Cooke	2	2	2	2	Bonte	2	1	1	1
Hamm	0	0	0	0	Totals	25	22	22	22
Bonte	2	1	1	1	Rolling Hills (55-49)	17	10	10	10
Totals	25	22	22	22	LaRoche	5	1	1	1
Rolling Hills (55-49)	17	10	10	10	Gean	5	1	1	1
LaRoche	5	1	1	1	Bramhall	4	4	4	4
Gean	5	1	1	1	Merrill	1	2	2	2
Bramhall	4	4	4	4	Mathews	1	0	0	0
Merrill	1	2	2	2	Brandin	0	0	0	0
Mathews	1	0	0	0	Handall	0	0	0	0
Brandin	0	0	0	0	Brontch	1	4	4	4
Handall	0	0	0	0	Totals	17	19	19	19
Brontch	1	4	4	4	Torrance	17	10	10	10
Totals	17	19	19	19	Rolling Hills	14	11	11	11
Torrance	17	10	10	10	West (56-51)	14	12	12	12
Rolling Hills	14	11	11	11	LaRoche	3	4	4	4
West (56-51)	14	12	12	12	Hyde	3	2	2	2
LaRoche	3	4	4	4	Bramhall	4	2	2	2
Hyde	3	2	2	2	Merrill	1	0	0	0
Bramhall	4	2	2	2	Mathews	1	0	0	0
Merrill	1	0	0	0	Brandin	0	0	0	0
Mathews	1	0	0	0	Handall	0	0	0	0
Brandin	0	0	0	0	Bonte	0	0	0	0
Handall	0	0	0	0	Totals	16	24	24	24
Bonte	0	0	0	0	St. Anthony's (61-57)	15	9	9	9
Totals	16	24	24	24	Parker	4	3	3	3
St. Anthony's (61-57)	15	9	9	9	Eberhart	0	0	0	0
Parker	4	3	3	3	Irwin	0	0	0	0
Eberhart	0	0	0	0	Gordon	6	2	2	2
Irwin	0	0	0	0	Conley	0	1	1	1
Gordon	6	2	2	2	Christack	1	2	2	2
Conley	0	1	1	1	Motley	1	0	0	0
Christack	1	2	2	2	Long	0	2	2	2
Motley	1	0	0	0	Totals	20	16	16	16
Long	0	2	2	2	Rolling Hills (55-49)	17	10	10	10
Totals	20	16	16	16	St. Anthony's	19	16	16	16
Rolling Hills (55-49)	17	10	10	10	Montgomery (61-57)	18	12	12	12
St. Anthony's	19	16	16	16	Montgomery (61)	18	12	12	12
Montgomery (61-57)	18	12	12	12	Babosky	2	3	3	3
Montgomery (61)	18	12	12	12	Carmolovich	0	0	0	0
Babosky	2	3	3	3	Rice	0	0	0	0
Carmolovich	0	0	0	0	Garbanati	1	4	4	4
Rice	0	0	0	0	Graham	1	1	1	1
Garbanati	1	4	4	4	Sajara	7	3	3	3
Graham	1	1	1	1	St. Anthony's	0	0	0	0
Sajara	7	3	3	3	Totals	22	17	17	17
St. Anthony's	0	0	0	0	South (57)	10	14	14	14
Totals	22	17	17	17	Miller	3	8	8	8
South (57)	10	14	14	14	Dimet	0	0	0	0
Miller	3	8	8	8	Hazelton	0	0	0	0
Dimet	0	0	0	0	Kuchenbecker	4	6	6	6
Hazelton	0	0	0	0	Holmes	6	1	1	1
Kuchenbecker	4	6	6	6	Graham	1	4	4	4
Holmes	6	1	1	1	Conroy	1	1	1	1
Graham	1	4	4	4	Totals	18	21	21	21
Conroy	1	1	1	1	South (72-56)	14	19	19	19
Totals	18	21	21	21	Pater Noster (71-65)	18	18	18	18
South (72-56)	14	19	19	19	Pater Noster (71)	18	18	18	18
Pater Noster (71-65)	18	18	18	18	Miller	4	10	10	10
Pater Noster (71)	18	18	18	18	Free	1	3	3	3
Miller	4	10	10	10	England	0	0	0	0
Free	1	3	3	3	Barrett	2	2	2	2
England	0	0	0	0	Totals	23	25	25	25
Barrett	2	2	2	2	Montgomery (65-53)	18	15	15	15
Totals	23	25	25	25	Pater Noster (65)	18	15	15	15
Montgomery (65-53)	18	15	15	15	Wilkie	0	1	1	1
Pater Noster (65)	18	15	15	15	Sherick	2	2	2	2
Pater Noster (65)	18	15	15	15	Miller	0	4	4	4
Wilkie	0	1	1	1	Valdes	0	1	1	1
Sherick	2	2	2	2	Frederick	0	0	0	0
Miller	0	4	4	4	Free	0	0	0	0
Valdes	0	1	1	1	England	0	0	0	0
Frederick	0	0	0	0	Barrett	2	2	2	2
Free	0	0	0	0	Totals	24	17	17	17
England	0	0	0	0	Fernin	0	0	0	0
Barrett	2	2	2	2	Fernin (56)	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	17	17	17	Bulver	0	0	0	0
Fernin	0	0	0	0	R. Hallitt	5	3	3	3
Fernin (56)	0	0	0	0	F. Hallitt	2	2	2	2
Bulver	0	0	0	0	St. Anthony's	0	0	0	0
R. Hallitt	5	3	3	3	Hammann	0	0	0	0
F. Hallitt	2	2	2	2	Bruse	0	1	1	1
St. Anthony's	0	0	0	0	St. Hallitt	3	3	3	3
Hammann	0	0	0	0	Dimassi	10	0	0	0
Bruse	0	1	1	1	Totals	22	15	15	15
St. Hallitt	3	3	3	3	South (72-56)	14	19	19	19
Dimassi	10	0	0	0	Pater Noster	18	18	18	18
Totals	22	15	15	15	Fernin Lausen	11	14	14	14
South (72-56)	14	19	19	19	Fernin Lausen	11	14	14	14
Pater Noster	18	18	18	18	Totals	21	17	17	17
Fernin Lausen	11	14	14	14	Rolling Hills (55-49)	17	10	10	10
Fern									