

Saxons Knock Redondo Out Of Unbeaten Ranks, 54-49

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Seven precious free throws in the final 61 seconds brought North High a startling 54-49 basketball victory over previously unbeaten Redondo in the CIF "AAA" semi-finals at the Long Beach Sports Arena Friday night.

Bruce Troglin, Ron Taylor, Don Albin and Greg Shearer took turns scoring the one-pointers to ruin the Seahawks' bid for a perfect season.

Redondo's string of 26 victories, which brought them the Pacific Shores and Beverly Hills tournaments and the Bay League championship, was snapped by an aggressive North performance.

However, going into the finals against Long Beach Poly last night, the 6-11 Taylor was a doubtful participant for North. He injured his ankle in the first four minutes against Redondo, but played most of the game anyway. He required considerable medical attention after the game and it appeared unlikely the swelling could be relaxed in time for the finals.

Poly reached the finals with a 74-57 win over Oxnard in the second game.

The crowd of 8305 which filled much of the giant waterfront pavilion was bewildered when

North took a 5-0 lead and held Redondo scoreless the first four minutes and 35 seconds.

The climax was equally exasperating when the Seahawks pulled into a 47-47 tie with 1:15 left, scoring six points in succession.

But in eagerness to keep the rally going, Redondo drew a foul in behalf of Troglin, who made one of two shots. After getting the rebound, Redondo gave up the ball on an overthrow down court. Taylor drew a pair of foul shots. He made both.

Trailing by three, Hoffman tried to dribble for a jumpshot but lost the ball. With 30 seconds left, Albin was fouled and made both to practically cinch the win. Before it was over, Shearer added still another pair of free tosses. Dave Druliner's last-second goal closed out the scoring for Redondo.

Shearer played an exceptionally fine game on defense, hugging close to Hoffman and Druliner, Redondo's two potent outside scorers. Albin and Jess Jacobs made hardly a mistake on defense and their timely shooting kept the pressure on Redondo, too.

Jacobs fouled out with 2:12 remaining. His loss looked mighty inviting for Redondo at the time. But after Clemo made both foul shots and added another goal seconds later to tie the game, the pendulum suddenly swung in favor of North. Taylor scored 15 points in the first half as North managed a 27-20 lead. He had three field goals in each quarter.

The sore ankle and a 3-man guard around him in the third period stymied his scoring, but Taylor had 21 before the end with a hookshot and stuffed basket.

Albin's 12 points included 8-for-8 at the free throw line, five coming in the final period.

The Saxons as a team were 17 for 26 at the free throw line. Redondo went 13 for 21 in free throws.

Taylor ran his school scoring record to 541. North won its ninth straight game while posting a 26-6 record.



DEFENSIVE HERO... For the North Saxons in their 54-49 conquest of Redondo Friday was Greg Shearer, showing some knee action from his guard position. His teammates qualified for CIF "AAA" championship finals. (Press-Herald photo)

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North, 54-49

NCRTH (54)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Jacobs, J.	2	0	5	6
Chapman, J.	0	0	0	0
Troglin, B.	4	2	2	12
Taylor, R.	4	5	2	21
Wisniewski, C.	0	0	0	0
Swain, C.	0	0	0	0
Albin, D.	8	8	0	12
Woodward, E.	0	0	0	0
Richardson, E.	1	0	1	2
Totals	15	18	12	54

REDONDO (49)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Cason, J.	4	3	2	11
Hoffman, J.	5	4	2	16
Swain, C.	0	0	0	0
Hornigmann, C.	0	0	0	0
Druliner, D.	1	0	1	2
Woodward, E.	0	0	0	0
Cox, E.	0	0	0	0
Totals	10	7	4	29

North Record

Opponents	Outcome
Torrance	Won 55-53
Mira Costa	Lost 62-73
Santa Monica	Won 69-54
Ferrin Lassen	Won 51-45
Torrance	Lost 58-62
Plus X	Won 76-58
South	Won 81-50
Alhambra	Won 73-66
Montebello	Lost 43-75
Mira Costa	Lost 61-74
Belmont	Won 81-71
Sunny Hills	Won 58-53
S. D. Crawford	Won 72-40
Palmdale Catholic	Won 72-40
Mulliken	Won 62-49
Covina	Won 52-45
Morningside	Lost 48-58
Compton	Won 79-51
Calver City	Won 69-60
El Segundo	Won 68-60
Beverly Hills	Won 59-52
Leuzinger	Won 59-52
Inglewood	Lost 54-63
Morningside	Won 68-52
Calver City	Won 68-41
Beverly Hills	Won 54-57
Ventura	Won 53-59
Leuzinger	Won 73-65
Glendale	Won 46-44
Ventura	Won 53-59
Western	Won 75-70
Redondo	Won 54-49

Torrance Record

Opponents	Outcome
North	Lost 53-55
Mira Costa	Won 63-59
West	Won 60-58
Loyola	Won 66-54
North	Won 57-47
Leuzinger	Won 53-42
Montgomery	Won 59-49
Ventura	Lost 64-63
Morningside	Won 62-57
Alhambra	Won 71-56
Compton	Won 77-62
West	Won 79-50
Leuzinger	Won 81-62
Leuzinger	Won 84-78
El Segundo	Won 64-51
Aviation	Won 74-50
West	Won 74-50
Aviation	Won 54-43
Leuzinger	Won 52-43
El Segundo	Won 72-53
Lynn	Won 53-46
St. Monica's	Won 55-42
Loyola	Won 65-44
Sunil	Won 65-41
Buena	Won 52-51

SIDEBAR:

Post-Game Show Equally Exciting

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Trying to keep up with key spokesmen from both sides of the Redondo-North High basketball game Friday night was a hurrying chore.

Despite the agony of losing for the first time in 27 games, the Redondo varsity took the defeat in stride. Some of the players in the dressing room mumbled words of disbelief.

Bob Clemo, who ranks with Coach Rex Hughes as one of Redondo's two greatest all-time basketball players, sat along a bench imitating exercises for the start of high jumping next week. He was most disappointed with the thought of relinquishing a chance to play Long Beach Poly.

It was 10 minutes after the game before Coach Hughes walked into the dressing room. He thanked his team for the great job done throughout the season. The only response from the team, "Sorry, coach!"

After dressing, two of the Seahawks, Dave Druliner and Ray Woodfin, visited the North dressing room to congratulate their conquerors.

Ron Taylor, stretched out on a formica-top lounge, held his hands over his face in repose. When asked about the heavy towel raps around his right ankle, Taylor sat up to point out the swelling and explain how he twisted it on a hookshot early in the game.

Winning apparently meant so much to the 6'11" he-man he hardly feigned he was injured the remainder of the game.

When the players cleared the dressing room to get a look at the Poly-Oxnard game, Taylor stayed behind while Dr. Rodney Stetson carefully determined the extent of the injury.

When Ron complained he was thirsty, Bruce Troglin went out to the arena to locate refreshments for his heroic teammate.

Troglin was gone an unusually long time and when he returned with two giant-sized Cokes, Taylor gulped them down in two swigs and demanded to know why it had taken so long.

Bruce casually explained he'd been cornered by some 100 North High girls who wanted autographs. "I bet I signed my name a 100 times," he said, "and one of them drank half your Coke!"

Coach Skip Enger had time for only a quick stopover in the North locker room between congratulatory handshakes and scouting Long Beach Poly. His two sons, parents, school officials and members of the press huddled around him.

Enger did most of the talking for his team. He first convinced the squad on Wednesday the Redondo players were only human beings and they agreed to win the game.

Enger said the five steps which keynoted the victory were North's ability to put pressure on the Seahawks, control the tempo of the ball, maintain sufficient mastery of the boards, take advantage of Redondo's most noticeable weakness (driving the offense

Redondo Record West High Wins Track

Opponents	Outcome
Beverly Hills	Won 81-26
El Segundo	Won 66-41
Glendale	Won 48-44
Mira Costa	Won 64-50
Inglewood	Won 66-46
Calver City	Won 66-41
El Monte	Won 73-44
Beverly Hills	Won 79-60
Mira Costa	Won 66-49
El Segundo	Won 53-42
Lavender	Won 73-52
Mira Costa	Won 63-39
Paramount	Won 75-47
South	Won 66-45
Rolling Hills	Won 62-40
Palme Verde	Won 68-59
Santa Monica	Won 54-51
Hawthorne	Won 73-29
Mira Costa	Won 66-54
South	Won 63-50
Rolling Hills	Won 81-54
Palme Verde	Won 55-31
Santa Monica	Won 81-51
Bellflower	Won 83-57
Covina	Won 81-47
Garbena Grove	Won 74-50
North	Lost 49-54

Tom Jurco and Mark Knox set new West High records in the 100-yard dash and the 180 low hurdles Friday afternoon as West downed Bishop Montgomery, 81-31 in a dual track meet at West.

Jurco ran the 100 in 10.2 for the record. Knox cleared the hurdles in 20.4 for his record.

West High Bees and Cees also won victories against Montgomery. The Bees outclassed the Knights 68-27, while the Cees walked to an 87-3 win.

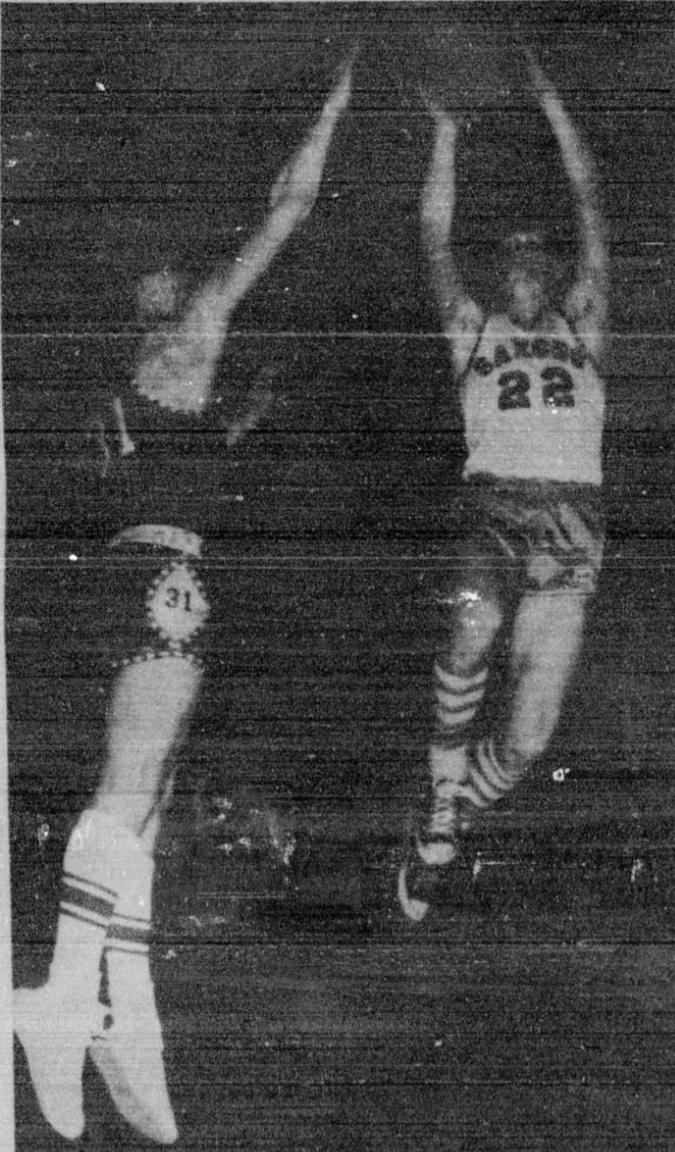
Varsity results:
100—Jurco (W), 10.2 (M), Byrum (M), 10.2 (new West High record).
200—Byrum (W), 23.7.
Schwanbeck (W), 21.7.
400—Hans (W), Hood (W), Walker (M), 56.2.
800—Nester (W), Smith (W), no time, 2:07.4.
1500—Huddleston (W), Hoads (M), Knox (W), 16.9.
1000—Knox (W), Hoads (W), Ho (M), 39.4 (new West High record).
5000—Fattigrow (W), Sellers (W), Demuccio (M), 1:35.4.
10-Mile—Purkey (W), Barr (M), Loman (M), 1:28.
Relay—West (Hans, Knox, Schwanbeck, Jurco), 1:27.
El—Crawford (M), Cox (W), Huddleston (W), 5-4.
11—Hans (W), Sullivan (M), Huddleston (W), 15:24.
20—Smith (W), O'Keefe (M), Cochran (W), 46:19.
50—Smith (W), Hanson (J), Buriton (W), 1:24.
See Score: West 68, Montgomery 27. See Score: West 87, Montgomery 8.

This was Rex' rookie year as a varsity mentor and very few newcomers ever enjoyed a better debut than Mr. Hughes, regardless of the talent he inherited.

Rex will be around coaching a long time, and like Skip Enger, will be a credit to the profession.

Candy Sale Set

A candy sale for the benefit of North Torrance East Little League will take place the first part of April, League President John Mangiagli has announced.



CLUTCH BASKET... On a jumpshot by Don Albin (22) in the fourth quarter kept North High in contention with Redondo and helped the Saxons overthrow the CIF "AAA" kingpins, 54-49, in semi-final playoffs at Long Beach Arena Friday night. Defending for Redondo on the play is Dave Druliner (31), senior guard. (Press-Herald photo).

Babe Ruth Try-Outs In Progress

Baseball players eligible to compete in the Pacific-American Babe Ruth League are taking part in try-outs at South High School.

As part of the try-outs which continue next Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., League President Lee Trudell has invited parents to observe their sons in the talent search.

Trudell says parents have an opportunity to recognize the practicability of 13, 14 and 15 year old boys playing on a regulation size diamond. Trudell said a program has also been initiated during the playing season whereby special games will be scheduled for the 13-year-olds.

Recreation Basketball

AMELE LEAGUE
Bluebirds def. Redskins, 11-2, 12-15, 16-12.
Madrona Square def. South Torrance Lions, 16-4, 12-3, 15-12.
Hawks def. South Torrance Lions, 4-16, 16-3, 16-6.
Madrona Square def. Deadbeats, 9-16, 12-8, 12-8.
Rambling Wrecks def. Original Four, forfeit.
TUESDAY OPEN LEAGUE
Globets 41, Thompson Enterprises 45.
Rockets 71, Wreck Aldes 69.
Magnavox 71, Falcons 71.
Final Standings:
Rockets (9-1), Wreck Aldes (7-2), Falcons (6-4), Mickey Thompson (4-6), Globets (2-8), Sportmen (2-8).

Players Await Assignments

Torrance American Little League will hold team assignment night Wednesday at 7 p.m. at South High Cafeteria.
Parents and players will have an opportunity to get acquainted with the managing personnel of their teams.

League to Choose Baseball Queen

North Torrance Little League East will have its annual queen contest next Saturday 31 11 a.m. at Garrett Field, corner of 190th and Van Ness.

Contestants are to assemble at Garrett Field by 10:45 a.m. Those wishing to participate can contact Doris Mangiagli, DA 4-7266. The contestants must be between 8 and 12 years old.

The girls chosen for queen and two princesses will receive a trophy. The queen will have a crown of flowers and the two princesses will receive corsages at the opening day ceremonies April 25.

Ironman Race

With five sports completed in the Metropolitan Conference 1964-65 season, Cerritos College has taken over the lead in the annual Carl White Ironman competition.

The Torrance Tartars

First Outing Was Near Disaster

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"I thought I had a basketball team, until we came down here today."

The date was Nov. 24, 1964, and the speaker was Will Boerger, coach of the Torrance High Tartars. Boerger was speaking after a scrimmage against Redondo High's Seahawks in the Redondo gym.

In that almost forgotten encounter, Boerger's Bombers were nearly buried under—in round numbers—a 100-40 avalanche.

Three weeks later, during a lull in the young basketball season, someone in a gathering of coaches and sportswriters suggested an other Torrance-Redondo scrimmage as a teaser. Boerger's face betrayed his horror.

Boerger's Bombers also fizzled in the first regularly scheduled game by losing a 55-53 decision to North High in the first round of the Pacific Shores Tournament. But undiscouraged, they came back to win the consolation title.

The big bomb fizzled again three days later when the Tartars were defeated by North for a second time. Boerger again faced the problem of lighting the fuse.

In mid-December, Torrance pinned losses on Leuzinger and Bishop Montgomery and headed for Beverly Hills for the Beverly Invitational Tournament. Sporting a 5-3 record, the Tartars engaged Ventura in the first round and lost, but came back to defeat Morningside, and eventually won another consolation trophy.

When Morningside fell to the Tartars by a one-point margin in the second game of the Beverly Hills fracas,

the Tartars began a winning streak.

What happened between the Redondo scrimmage and the Beverly Hills tourney is only one of several reasons why the Tartars met Servite last night for the CIF "AA" division championship.

During the long layoff between the Beverly tournament and the opening game of the Pioneer League season, Boerger had to make his high-scoring trio—Bob Brennan, Walt Hale, and Bart Johnson—defensive players as well. Johnson, for example, was fearful of fouling his opponents.

The Tartar Trio learned well, and so did the other two regulars—center Richard Davies and guard Fred Carpenter. Both added height and good ball handling to the sure-fire scoring trio. Davis and Carpenter added top rebounding and the ability to score well in the clutch, too.

Too, Boerger found a good sixth man in guard

Robin Fisher, a small, but quick ball handler. What the rest of the Tartar bench lacks in experience, it has in aggressiveness and confidence.

Confidence. That's been an important part of the Tartar equipment. It's the confidence the team has in itself—the winning attitude—that has pulled several games out of the fire in the last few minutes.

Coming back from a two-week layoff after the Beverly Hills tourney, the Tartars set the gym on fire in the opening game of the Pioneer League season by stomping West, 70-50. West, by the way, was the eventual second-place finisher in the league, a full three games behind Torrance.

The Bombers marched through the Pioneer League season undefeated and added two wins in practice games. When they met St. Monica's in the first round of the CIF "AA" playoffs, the Tartars put a 20-3 sea-

son record on the line along with a 15-game win streak.

But if confidence was the team's hallmark, fear—in a unique kind of way—was the hallmark of their coach.

Boerger, riding the crest of his best season in seven years at the Tartar helm, asked his Pioneer League colleagues to withhold the all-Pioneer League team until after the playoffs. He expressed concern that announcement of the all-league selections might cause psychological problems for the Bombers.

The all-league selections still are not known.

In four games of the CIF playoffs, the Tartars have combined their own skill and desire for victory with hard work, and they've had a little bit of luck.

The result, regardless of the final outcome, has been the most successful basketball season in the history of Torrance High—and most likely the greatest team the school has ever fielded.