



**UNBEATEN CHAMPIONS . . .** Of the Pacific-Riviera Pony League are the Broncos, winners of 20 games during a season concluded Monday. Finishing their all-victorious campaign with a 4-3 win over the Pintos are, first row, left to right: Jeff Annis, Tom Angone, Mike Hrehor, Bathoy Gil Flores, Max Palmer, Warren Whistler and Greg Whitford; back row: Manager Gil Flores, Dick Yates, Dave Flores, Bob Carter, Frank Decaro, John Korbar, Bob Kirkkruff, Willie Walpole and Coach Dick DeArmitt. (Press-Herald Photo)

**PONY LEAGUE STORY**

**Pacific-Riviera Broncos Go Unbeaten in 20 Games**

This is the sixth in a series of articles on youth baseball in Torrance. The topic of Pacific-Riviera Pony League is featured. By HENRY BURKE Press-Herald Sports Editor

Two of the six teams in the Pacific-Riviera Pony League have dominated the standings for the past three years. Monday the Broncos beat the Pintos, 4-3, for their 20th win of the season to wind up an all-victorious season. The Pintos' only four losses of the year were to the Broncos. It was the Pintos who

headed the show in 1964 with a 19-1 record compared to 15-5 for the Broncos and the year before the Pintos (15-5) nosed out the Broncos (14-6) by one game.

The league draws its players from the same boundaries of the Pacific Coast and Riviera Little Leagues, and thus drew its name from the two.

Pony League is played on a ball diamond with base lengths of 75 feet, and the players are 13 and 14 years of age. The turnover of players and adults is rapid.

League President Frank

Ramirez was player agent a year ago. Previously he was active with Pacific Coast LL for five years.

After four years with Riviera Little League Dick DeArmitt was graduated to Pony League and is still around after another four years. His son, Rick, 16 is a high school football player and wrestler, and has retired from baseball, so Dad decided to spend this summer coaching his two daughters' softball team.

But one by one, DeArmitt took on the chores of field maintenance, for both Pacific Coast Little League and the Pony League, was elected vice-president, volunteered as head statistician, became equipment manager and returned to the Bronco team he managed for three years, this time as coach to Gil Flores.

Other officers of the league are Art McDonald, secretary; Bob Barron, treasurer; Jay Ponce, player agent; and Frank's brother, Mike Ramirez, umpire-in-chief.

The league will culminate its season with a dinner on July 8.

With tournament games planned for neighboring Ryan Field, Pacific-Riviera is prepared to launch another bid for at least the district title it claimed in 1963.

Leading the league in playing is Brent Barron of the Pintos with a .597 batting mark and a pitching record of 1.05 ERA.

The Broncos' three pitchers of Mike Hrehor, Bob Kirkkruff and Jeff Annis combined for 22 earned runs in 20 games. In 131 innings they had 196 strikeouts and a 1.12 ERA.

Compared with 27 runs scored by their opponents, the Broncos collected 201 runs, stole 183 bases, hit six home runs, and had 171 hits in 520 at bats for a .329 average.

But over a three-year period the Broncos have not quite caught up with the Pintos who have a 50-10 record to 49-11 for this year's champions.



**THREE DIMENSION PITCHERS . . .** For the Broncos of the Pacific-Riviera Pony League are Bob Kirkkruff, Jeff Annis and Mike Hrehor, warming up with their catcher. The pitchers combined for unbeaten 20-game season. (Press-Herald Photo)

**Softball Scoreboard**

FRIDAY SLO-PITCH (At Watteria)		CHURCH LEAGUE (At McMaster Park)	
L.A. Blades . . . . . 000 041 0-3 6 4	Engineers . . . . . 010 100 0-1 5 6	Nazareno . . . . . 200 004 1-12 9 3	Redondo Chapel 340 010 2-14 8 4
HR—Gray (Blades)	Roberts and Schula; Durant and Peterson	Church . . . . . 510 008 5-15 15 5	Thompson and Webb; Taggart, Littlejohn (4), Taggart (7) and Harrington, Morgan
Wild Mustangs . . . . . 100 004 3-8 12 2	Tom Cota . . . . . 200 000 0-2 7 8	Lawlands . . . . . 240 211 0-10 16 2	HR—Covington, Morgan, and Simpson
HR—Gray (Blades)	Johnson and Giocambi; Pagan and Skupley	Assembly . . . . . 000 000 0-0 3 0	HR—Knausa (Lawlands)
Key Realty . . . . . 121 241 5-16 19 9	Sportsmen . . . . . 000 000 0-0 3 0	First Baptist . . . . . 300 000-3 6 3	(At El Nido)
HR—Paine (Elka)	HR—Larry Colson 3 (Key Realty)	Gardena Bible . . . . . 000 000 0-0 3 0	HR—Christian (Gardena), and Cole (Baptist)
MONDAY SLO-PITCH (At Watteria)		OPEN LEAGUE (At Torrance Park)	
St. Lawrence . . . . . 110 000 4-6 13 1	Dandoy Glass . . . . . 010 000 0-1 5 6	Consultants . . . . . 000 100 0-1 4 1	Post Office . . . . . 000 200 2-7 7 4
HR—Lawrence	Jelonek and Martz; Dandoy and Cornwall	Halberg and Birdall; Mesa and Pacula	HR—Covington (Mistila) and Meyer (Post Office)
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**Los Angeles To Stage Swim Meet**

A tidal wave of great performances are predicted for the 7th Annual Los Angeles Invitational Swimming and Diving Meet at the Los Angeles Swim Stadium, July 9, 10, and 11, as the nation's top swimmers and divers announce their intention of competing in this Blue Ribbon classic.

Top aquastars of the West will qualify for national championships and a berth on a team that will represent the U. S. in European competition later this summer.

Sharon Stouder, gold medal winner, Sandra Nitto, Jeanne Hallock, Patty Cetta, and Barbara Hounsell will participate. World ranked freestyle sprinter, Bob Hoag, High School All America, entered.

**FISHING REPORT**

Even though the sun failed to shine in past weeks, fishermen found the barracuda, bonito and bass very cooperative.

Over the week-end many (yellowtail) hook-ups were reported but few brought to gaff.

The boats, Freedom, Liberty and America, out of Pierpoint Landing, Long Beach, each reported one yellow on the deck on Saturdays trips. The America also had 243 barracuda, 125 bass and 102 bonito.

On the same day, the boat Freedom returned with a catch which included 150 barracuda, 70 bass, 50 bonito, one yellowtail and one black sea bass which weighed in at 25-lbs.

Morgan Manning of Arcadia, SC's All America, Mike Carreto, and Steve Boss, Texas University's top swimmer, entered.

**Observation Boat Planned For Yacht Race**

The annual Los Angeles-Honolulu yacht race will depart from Los Angeles Harbor on Sunday.

A special excursion boat has been scheduled by Southland Harbor Cruises to take passengers to observe the start of this 2200-plus mile race.

The special boat will depart from Pierpoint Landing, Long Beach at 11 a. m. on Sunday to reach the starting line just off the Los Angeles Light House prior to the start of the race.

**Motorcycles Roll Twice At Ascot**

Motorcycle racers whizz through a double header program this week at Ascot Park with Friday night's weekly card on the half mile oval backed up by a steeplechase Saturday night.

The crowd-pleasing steeplechase includes a 30 minute fireworks display as a salute to the nation's birthday.

Saturday night's 16-event T. T. program is the final warmup for J. C. Agajanian's fourth annual Grand National 50-lap steeplechase of July 23-24 when the coast-to-coast title chase moves to the Southland for a week.

Many of the national contenders, including former U. S. champion Dick Mann, are expected this week for final tuneups over one of America's most spectacular barrier jumping courses.

The field for Friday night's flat-track program will be brought to full strength with the return from the East of Ralph White, winner of the 100-mile Grand National race at Laconia, N. H.

**Gibson Named To Commission**

Bryan E. Gibson, 42, Woodland Hills builder and developer, succeeded the late Jamie H. Smith, who died in February, as a member of the California Fish and Game Commission.

Gibson, president of Guardian Construction Co. and affiliates in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, was appointed by Governor Edmund G. Brown to the five-member commission on June 23.

**14 STRIKEOUTS**

The Yankees scored a 6-1 victory over the Braves in Torrance National Little League action Monday evening. Kim Kopatz, 12, struck out 14 batters to earn the victory.

**Playoffs Announced For Little League**

Tournament games for Little League districts 26 and 27 have been scheduled from July 21 to Aug. 3 by district administrators Henry Burke and Bob Rumbo.

Games will be played at Torrance, Southwood, Freeway and Carson Little League fields.

A bi-sectional playoff between the champions of District 26 and 27 will be held at Torrance Field on Tuesday, Aug. 3. Three weekend tournaments will follow at Fullerton (sectional) on Aug. 5-6-7; El Monte (divisional) on Aug. 12-13-14; Portland, Oregon (regional) on Aug. 19-20-21; and Williamsport, Pa. (world series) from Aug. 24 to 28.

Each Little League desiring to participate in the tournament is required to select a 14-man team from players in its own league, and the team continues to play until beaten in sudden-death competition. Teams are not allowed to practice the tournament team prior to July 7.

The 1965 schedule of tournament games is:

Wed., July 21—North Torrance West vs. Harbor City at Carson, 5:30; South Redondo vs. Sunset at Torrance, 5:30.

Thurs., July 22—Riviera vs. Lunada Bay at Southwood, 5:30; Victoria Park at Carson, 5:30.

Fri., July 23—Torrance Central vs. Torrance National at Carson, 5:30; Palos Verdes vs. Central Redondo at Southwood, 5:30.

Sat., July 24—Silver Spur vs. Malaga Cove at Southwood, 1:30; North Redondo vs. Eastview at Torrance, 1 p.m.; Pacific at Torrance, 1:30 p.m.; Pacific Coast vs. Freeway at Carson, 12:30; North Torrance East vs. winner (Harbor City-No. Torr.) at Freeway, 3:30.

Mon., July 26—Dominguez vs. winner (Victoria Park-Carson) at Carson, 5:30; winner (Silver Spur-Malaga Cove) vs. Southwood at Southwood, 5:30; Torrance American vs. winner (Central National) at Freeway, 5:30; winners (Riviera-Lunada Bay) and (Palos Verdes-Central Redondo) at Torrance, 5:30.

Tues., July 27—Lomita vs. winner (Pacific Coast-Freeway) at Freeway, 5:30; Rolling Hills vs. winner (Sunset-South) at Southwood, 5:30; winners (North Redondo-Eastview) and (Pacific-Torrance) at Torrance, 5:30.

Wed., July 28—semi-final (Dist. 27) at Freeway, 5:30; semi-final (Dist. 26) at Southwood, 5:30.

Thurs., July 29—semi-final (Dist. 26) at Torrance, 5:30; semi-final (Dist. 27) at Torrance, 5:30.

Fri., July 30—none scheduled.

Sat., July 31—championship game (Dist. 27) at Torrance, 5 p.m.; championship game (Dist. 26) at Torrance, 3:30.

Tues., Aug. 3—bi-sectional playoff between winners of District 26 and 27 at Torrance, 5:30.

**CONNIE MACK BALL**

**Bullets, Devils Win Two Games**

The Torrence Bullets, defending national Connie Mack champions, gained a half-game first place margin in the South Bay League last weekend by winning two games from Hawthorne, 7-0, and West Los Angeles, 5-2.

The Westsiders from West L.A. dropped a full game behind the Bullets who have a 6-1 record.

Beach Cities (5-1) is a half game off the pace due to a continuation of a protest upheld in behalf of Hawthorne.

The Torrance Red Devils, who take on the Bullets next Monday at Torrance Park at 8 p.m., also won a pair of games last weekend from San Pedro, 14-3, and Westchester, 3-1.

Jim Rucker's Beach Cities nine paired victories over Westchester, 11-2, and Long Beach, 5-1.

The Red Devils defeated Westchester's All-CIF pitcher Rod Potete of Lutheran High.

Randy Humphrey bested Potete, 3-1, although both gave up five hits.

Red Devil Dick White drove in two runs with a double and sacrifice fly.

The Devils, who picked up South Catcher Fred Meyers and Outfielder Chick James, and Palos Verdes Infielder Johnny Bill Rose came to life against San Pedro with 14 hits.

The team lost the services of Nick Van Lue of Carson High and Al Thompson of Narbonne who joined the Milwaukee farm system at West Palm Beach, Florida.

For the Bullets Barry Kubishta hurled shutout ball for eight innings against Hawthorne, but was rapped on the arm while batting. He struck out 14 and walked one.

Jack Crist and Dave LaRoche had two hits.

LaRoche came back Sunday to pitch the 5-2 win over West L.A. Crist had 3-for-4 at the plate and LaRoche again collected two bingles.

**Slo-Pitch All-Stars Play Kegs**

Taking Friday night off from West Coast Slo-Pitch League action, two all-star teams are working out in preparation for a double-header against Tappa Kegs Sunday at Gardena Rowley Park at 5 and 6:15 p.m.

Manager Chuck Ryan's Kegs won the first half with a 9-3 record. The team's second half mark to date is 3-1.

Tappa Kegs' season record is 22-5 and 267-26 lifetime, never having a game postponed.

Present members of the team are Chuck Schoendienst, Gib Matthews, Ray Magnante, Bob Ryan, Mick Ryan, Chuck Ryan, Ed Williams, Jim Reynolds, Ron Jackson, Andy Meyer, Nels Cole, Jim Hyzard, and Bill Hiesler.

The all-star team is composed of Chubby Kelley, Jerry Towles, Gary Beech and Ron Peak of Gardena, Lynne Frantz, Joe Watt, Chick Heil and Larry Lord of Redondo, and Mike Baleweau, Stan Katy, Mike Hines, Angie DeGrace, John Frazier, and Dennis Lord of El Segundo.

Other all-stars are Tom Kominsky, Bill Rentner and Ted Kominsky of Santa Ana, Ken Wanba, Seymour Oders and Irvin Poshin of Los Angeles.

**Connie Mack Standings**

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Torrance	6	1	.857	0
Beach Cities	5	1	.833	1/2
West Los Angeles	5	1	.833	1/2
Torrance	4	3	.571	3
Hawthorne	2	4	.333	3 1/2
Long Beach	2	5	.286	4
San Pedro	2	5	.286	4
Westchester	1	6	.143	5

**SUNDAY'S RESULTS**

Game	Score
Torrance 5, West L.A. 2	
Torrance 3, Westchester 1	
Beach Cities 5, Long Beach 1	
Hawthorne 14, San Pedro 5	

**GAMES SATURDAY**

Game	Time
Torrance vs. Beach Cities at El Camino	2 p.m.
Torrance vs. Hawthorne at Torrance Park	4 p.m.
West L.A. vs. San Pedro at high school	2 p.m.
Long Beach vs. Westchester at Loyola	2 p.m.

**GAMES SUNDAY**

Game	Time
West L.A. vs. Beach Cities at El Camino	2 p.m.
Westchester vs. Hawthorne at Leuzinger	2 p.m.