

CONNIE MACK LEAGUE

Games Canceled For Long Beach

Cancellation of all Long Beach Blues' games in the South Bay Connie Mack Baseball League has resulted in a forfeiture victory for the Torrance Red Devils.

The Blues, who had a 6-2 record last week, had all games forfeited for failure to file players records within a deadline, it has been revealed by League President Dom Dacoco.

Jersey Colors 'Old Hat'

Southern California high school all-stars participating in the 14th annual Shrine North-South charity football game in Los Angeles Coliseum on July 29 will wear white jerseys bearing green numerals—but this combination will be "old hat" to four southland performers.

The Northern squad will be garbed in red jerseys with white numerals—a familiar color scheme for a half dozen invaders.

Wearing green-and-white throughout their prep careers were South stars End Fair Hooker (Monrovia) and Lon Woodward (Excelsior of Norwalk). Tackle Mike Zeller (Eagle Rock), and Quarterback Dennis Shaw (Pomona Catholic).

Red-and-white are the school colors for the following North team members: Ends Ron Crawford (Lodi) and Roger Harrington (Fremont of Sunnyvale). Tackle George Crooks (San Carlos), Center Tony Domenici (Vallejo) and Fullbacks Phil Riles (McClatchy of Sacramento) and Chris Schuh (St. Helena).

North coach, George Davis of St. Helena also is partial to red-and-white. He has seen this combination flashing to 45 consecutive victories during his four-year tenure at the Napa Valley school.

The two 25-man squads head for their respective training camps on July 16-17, with the North warming up for the mid-summer classic at UCLA, and the South setting up headquarters at USC.

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Babe Ruth Dons Conquer All

This is the eighth in a series of articles on youth baseball in Torrance. Featured is the Torrance Babe Ruth League whose Dons went undefeated in 18 games.

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Press-Herald Sports Editor

If baseball leagues were rated for excellence, the Torrance Babe Ruth League down through the years would rank among the best in its class.

At Plaza Del Amo Field the Torrance Babe Ruth League has maintained an ideal baseball plant since 1954. Soon as the high school baseball season exits each spring, Torrance Babe Ruth League's 10 teams are put through a round robin 18-game schedule. Each team is composed of five 15-year-olds, five 14s, and five 13s.

This year's Dons, managed by Tom Chalaka, met and defeated the remaining nine opponents twice for an undefeated season. It was quite an accomplishment, but Tom's team is the accumulation of a proverbial "murderer's row."

The heart of the batting order, matched with averages, included Dick Cross (.558), Bob Fernley (.477), Bill Thomas (.424), and Dean Hale (.389).

The Dons scored 149 runs to 25 for the opposition and recorded six shutouts. Winners of nine games each were Pitchers Fernley and Fred Barry. In no game did they give up more than three runs. Fernley had 107 strikeouts in 60 innings.

Chalaka has been with the Dons three years. Previous season records were 13-5 and 10-8. He also coaches the Torrance Red Devils of the Connie Mack League. His current Babe Ruth champions did not rely on the long ball, but cashed in on consistent hitting, good base running, and strong defensive play. The only power of any significance was Fernley's seven doubles. He is a 14-year-old.

Babe Ruth League ball allows a boy to advance to the regulation 90-foot diamond at the post-Little League. Although some Babe Ruth leagues have difficulty filling the required five 13-year-olds on each team roster, Torrance Babe Ruth League draws from an area exceeding 150,000 population, and the good reputation of the league is a drawing attraction.

The league's "homemade" ballpark is complimented by good seating, a regularly managed announcer's booth, and a concession stand shared with the Torrance Na-

tional Little League whose small diamond is anchored to the Babe Ruth right field foul line.

Don Cross, coach of the Dons and father of two team members, Dick and Randy, is credited with keeping the Babe Ruth field in excellent shape for the season. Tournament games will be held there commencing next Tuesday.

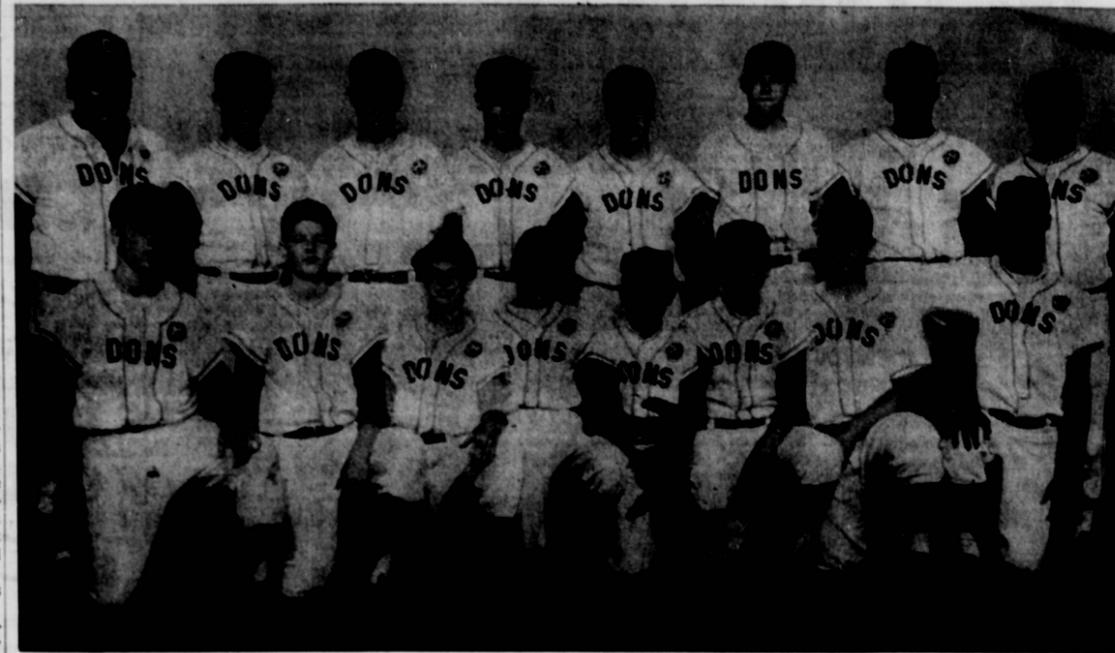
Bill Perez, who took over from Bob Stone during the season, is president of the league. Assisting with the management of the tournament are players agents Monte Woodside and Bob Fernley Sr.

Leagues from the South Bay district will play tournament games both at Torrance and Westchester. Having 10 teams requires the Torrance Babe Ruth League enter two tournament teams. They are designated American and National.

American plays its first game at home Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. against Westchester. The Nationals oppose Huntington Park Saturday at Westchester.

A tournament for the 13-year-olds begins Tuesday at Torrance with Palos Verdes going against Los Angeles Nationals.

Both are double elimination tournament which wind up Aug. 1.



BABE RUTH CHAMPIONS . . . Of Torrance are the Dons, winners of 18 games without a loss during the 1965 season at Plaza Del Amo Field. Members of the team are: First row (left to right)—Dick Cross, Randy Cross, Andy Eubanks, Randy Larsen, Dave Reid, Tom Braddock, Sam Falcone and Al Schwanbeck. Second row—Manager Tom Chalaka, Mike Stevens, Bob Fernley, Bill Thomas, Rich Schwanbeck, Dean Hale, Fred Barry and Coach Don Cross. (Press-Herald photo)

Brian Olson Joins East

With practice to start next Wednesday for the Lions Charity All-Star football game Aug. 5, the East has announced two player replacements.

Brian Olson, All-Pioneer League fullback from Torrance, takes over for Dennis Trani who broke a collar bone while playing Connie Mack League baseball. Trani was a quarterback at Fermin Lasuen.

Jerry Jerome, a tackle for Gardena, will sub for Serra End Derry Deravin who signed a professional baseball contract with the San Francisco Giant organization.

Olson joins Torrance High teammates Gary Garribrandt, a halfback, and Jim Malone, a center.

Two teams of 24 high school grads will compete in the game at El Camino Stadium Aug. 5 for the Southwest Association of Retarded Children.

Softball Results

MONDAY SLO-PITCH

Vaughan Real Estate . . . 100 100 0-2 6 8
St. Lawrence . . . 103 625 x-11 13 1
Simons and Becker; Jelonek and Cochran
HR—Kubachka (St. Lawrence).
Dandoy Glass . . . 000 118 1-11 13 4
West Warriors . . . 249 559 6-12 14 6
Dandoy and Cornwall; O'Connor and Beardslee.
HR—Brown (Dandoy).
Brewers forfeited to Torrance Elks.

MONDAY SLO-PITCH

Kingmen . . . 199 000 0-1 6 6
Roadrunners . . . 303 303 x-12 10 0
Bowers and Waters; Ford and Arup.
TPOA . . . 255 31-19 18 0
Lafayette . . . 001 00-1 6 5
Poling and Ray Slagay; Anguine, Robertson (2), and Amundson, Cass (2).
HR—Ray Slagay, Rich Slagay, Gandy (TPOA).
Covenant . . . 001 690 2-4 7 0
N. T. Beards . . . 000 100 1-2 7 6
Zeig and Congelliere; Pendrick and Walker.
HR—Anderson (Rolling Hills).

OPEN SOFTBALL

Aerona . . . 000 000 0-0 3 4
Douglas Bombers . . . 210 105 x-9 9 0
C. Camou and Temple; Mesa and Paculba.
HR—Molina, Sibon, Raines (Douglas).
Consultants . . . 004 690 0-4 4 0
Foxy Beas . . . 000 021 0-3 6 3
Halberg and Birdsall; B. Grajeda and Gerrardo.

ASCOT PARK SITE FOR TV SHOW

Television star Dick Clark will tape his show "Where The Action Is" (KABC-TV) at Ascot Park Sunday, at the 1 p.m. CRA and 8 p.m. Figure 8 races.

Entertainers on hand will be The Hondels, The Impressions, and Paul Revere and the Raiders. Singers are Shelly Fabares, Linda Scott, and Steve Alaimo.

Racing Program Set For Pomona Grounds

A record \$573,500 in purses will be disbursed to horsemen during the 14-day racing meeting at the Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona opening Friday, Sept. 17.

Part of the purse money will be vested in two additional stakes, each carrying \$10,000 in added money. These bring the number of stakes for thoroughbreds to \$110,000, with the feature event of the meeting for the 18th running of the \$20,000 added Pomona Handicap for older horses closing day.

Also setting a new precedent this year will be a new minimum purse level of \$2,500 for thoroughbred races, a figure exceeded at Hollywood Park and Santa Anita.

The two newcomers to the stakes agenda are the Beau Brummel for colts and geldings, two years old, at six

Gardena Plays Tappa Keggas

Tappa Keggas of Torrance will play a West Coast Slo-Pitch League doubleheader against Gardena Friday night at Rowley Park.

The Kegs are 3-3 in the second half, trailing Redondo which is 6-0. Chuck Ryan's defending champions won the first half with a 9-3 record.

Fishing License

Fishing without a license in inland and ocean waters accounted for more than half the fish and game law violations in Southern California and the Inyo-Mono area during the month of June, the Department of Fish and Game reported.

Leon Garrett Races Tonight

Leon Garrett, famed "Wild Man" from Lawndale, will be back again at the wheel of his favorite No. 88 stock car tonight at Ascot Park as the Figure 8 fender-busters stage another eight-race affair.

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