

Vacation Basketball to Occupy Preps

The third annual Bishop Montgomery Basketball Tournament gets under way this afternoon in the school gym.

With all eight prep teams capable of winning the 3-day tournament, it will be wholesale contrast over the past two years when Torrance High walked away with two titles.

The only foreigner to the local entourage is San Gabriel Mission, which meets Rolling Hills in the opener at 4 p.m. Rolling Hills was second to Aviation in the recent Hawthorne Tournament. The Titans have Daryl Arenstein, Tommy Schiff, Ken Ryerson, David Gill and transfer Barry Sullivan in the starting lineup this season. They are a balanced squad.

The second game at 5:30 p.m. matches high scoring Leuzinger against Mira Costa.

Leuzinger's Dick Lolley and Clint Terrell have been scoring consistently between 20 and 30 points a game. The Olympians, however, have a tendency to give up a lot of points.

Mira Costa is a young, well-rounded squad that features tiny Johnny Sain, Mark Lawlor, and Scott and Bill Fisher.

The lower bracket involves the four Torrance schools. West and South play at 7 p.m., while Torrance and Bishop Montgomery mix at 8:30 p.m.

Coach Tom Sutherland's West Warriors do not have a high scoring individual of significance, but Tom Sandovich, a junior, and Chuck Moberly, a sophomore, are usually good for 10 to 20 points. The Warriors have a height disadvantage, with freshman center Bill Kolodziejczak topping the regulars at 6-2.

Only three of South High's 11 varsity candidates are seniors, but two of them are returning first stringers Jim Owens and Jeff Wang. The other is Bob Brooks, who was outstanding with the lightweights.

Juniors Jack Peterson, Dennis Rector, and Brent Barron have been in the lineup most of the year for Coach Dave Corman.

Defending champion Torrance is bolstered by rugged Steve Jasper, who has a history of scoring big. Coach Will Boerger of the Tartars has run out of most of the talent which brought him three straight championships in the Pioneer and Sky League.

Torrance runs into tough combat in the first round of this year's tournament. The Tartars face

a Montgomery team that has won 10 of 11 games and has a lot of shooting skill.

Larry Wiggins, the 6-1 senior forward, is becoming Bishop's record-breaking scorer. His running mates are Bob Jamison, Steve Patterson, Greg Collins and Jim Roach.

Considering that Jamison, Patterson, Collins and Beach played varsity football, their transition to the basketball court has been termed remarkable.

The five starters from last year's Camino Real League championship team are gone from Coach Dave Benedaret's roster.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

Rolling Hills vs. San Gabriel Mission at 4 p.m.
Leuzinger vs. Mira Costa at 5:30 p.m.
South vs. West at 7 p.m.
Torrance vs. Montgomery at 8:30 p.m.

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Soccer League Resumes

Following a four week interruption by international and U.S. Open Cup competition, the race for the Continental Soccer League championship resumes with a triple header at Continental Field (Torrance Blvd. just West of the Harbor Fwy.) on Sunday.

Valley G.A. opens against LA Hungarians at 10:30 a.m., followed by Lynwood Falcons vs. Montebello Armenians at 12:30 p.m.

In the 2:30 p.m. main go, the second place Hollywood Stars go after defending champion Los Angeles S.C., who hold a three point lead over the Stars.

Hollywood poses a strong threat to front running Los Angeles, with newcomers Udo Mueller and Mike Clement adding considerable punch to the Stars' lineup and title hopes.

The 23-year-old Clement played for major league "Hertha" of West Berlin before joining Mueller in 1966 to compete in South Africa's pro ranks.

UC Course Set

A new course in "Aerodynamic Stability and Control" will be offered by University of California Extension, Wednesday, Jan. 3 through March 20, 7 to 10 p.m., at North High School.

GREEN BAY PICKED BY 7 POINTS

The Green Bay Packers are 7-point favorites to defeat Dallas in Sunday's NFL championship game at Green Bay, according to Las Vegas.

The Rams also were listed as 7-point choices to whip Cleveland in the Play-off Bowl at Miami on Jan. 7. The Rams edged the Browns, 24-17, in pre-season play at the Coliseum.

Oakland is installed as 10-point pick over Houston in Sunday's AFL title joust at Oakland.

Mel Farr Is Rookie Of Year

Mel Farr of the Detroit Lions is the National Football League's rookie of the year for 1967.

Farr, a slashing runner in the mold of predecessors Gale Sayers and Johnny Roland, out voted defensive tackle Alan Page of Minnesota and teammate Lem Barney.

Barney, the nimble defensive back from Jackson State, tied for the league interception leadership with 10 and equalled an NFL record of three interceptions returned for touchdowns.

Travis Williams, the dynamic kick-return artist of the Green Bay Packers, safety Rich Volk of the Baltimore Colts, and quarterbacks Kent Nix of the Pittsburgh Steelers, flanker Dave Williams of the St. Louis Cardinals, receiver Dan O'Brien of the New Orleans Saints and defensive lineman Bubba Smith of Baltimore were runners-up.

Two North Teams Win in Tourney

A surprising turn of events at the North High Christmas Basketball Tournament yesterday was the 74-67 victory scored by the home school's second team over Long Beach Woodrow Wilson.

The first round also saw the North High regulars defeat Palos Verdes, 83-69, as Billy Taylor scored 37 points.

Compton, the favorite, won its ninth straight game with a 99-48 win over Fermin Lasuen in the first game of the tournament, and afternoon debut.

A night time thriller had Monrovia edging Culver City, 55-54, in overtime.

The North High No. 2 team plays Compton in the 7 p.m. game while North No. 1 team battles Monrovia at 8:30 tonight.

North No. 1, 83-69

Palos Verdes (69) vs. North (83)
Nielson (15) F, Demarest (15) F, Taylor (7) F, Guerry (5) F, Jones (3) C, Guira (9) G, Hansen (12) C, Roddan (10) G, Woodcock (12) G, North scoring subs: Wisniewski (3), Pasquillo (2).
Palos Verdes scoring subs: Shippy (4), Kennedy (3), Gilburge (4), Arbogast (4).

Compton, 99-48

Compton (99) vs. Lasuen (48)
Campbell (13) F, Hallett (15) F, Hollywell (15) F, Wella (5) F, Hopwood (15) C, Amalfitano (15) G, Taylor (22) G, Guerry (5) G, Morris (16) G, Gross (5) G, Compton scoring subs: Shelton (2), Brown (2), Nelson (7).
Lasuen scoring subs: Petterson (7).

Monrovia, 55-54

Monrovia (55) vs. Culver City (54)
Strickler (16) F, Koller (7) F, Miller (16) F, Williamson (21) F, Kendall (6) C, Garland (13) G, Holmes (6) G, Tallant (4) G, Collins (4) G, Lawson (7) G, Monrovia scoring subs: Willet (5), Culver City scoring subs: Arnold (3).

North No. 2, 74-67

North No. 2 (74) vs. Wilson (67)
Crenin (15) F, O'Brien (6) F, West (24) F, Connelly (18) F, Sugehoren (19) F, Keldrauk (12) G, Linter (9) G, Jones (6) G, Decker (6) G, North No. 2 scoring subs: Smith (2), Wilson scoring subs: Smith (2), Perry (2), Meagher (2), Towler (2), Coveny (3).

Four Champs Enter Races

Four former champions of Figure 8 stock car racing will head a field of 100 drivers who will close out the 1967 and usher in the 1968 auto racing season Sunday and Monday afternoons at Gardena's Ascot Park. Racing will start at 2:15 p.m. each day.

Heading the field will be Eddie Sauer of Torrance, Nick Thomas and Jerry Jones of Hawthorne, and Ed Ferro of Wilmington, all past and present Figure 8 driving champs.

Sunday afternoon's action will feature the slam-bang PRA Figure 8 stock cars, while Monday's New Year's Day event will be highlighted by four different classes of figure 8 action. They are the modified division, the stock car class, a new modified stock car class will see cars without solid front axles (previously known as stock cars), racing less fenders, with hopped-up engines similar to the all-out Figure 8 modifieds that have raced for the past five years.

Attendance Up at Track

Los Alamitos looked back on a successful year of quarter horse racing and looked ahead to the start of night racing next summer.

The fall meeting came to a close Saturday with Duplicate Copy winning the \$40,000 Autumn Championship and Truly Night capturing the \$35,000 Kindergarten Purse.

The winners of the semi-finals will play for the championship at 8:30 Thursday evening. Preliminary games will also decide third, fifth and seventh places.

As North High's varsity won its 10th game in a row, Taylor scored 16 field goals

Santa Anita Season Opens

Santa Anita opens its long-est racing meeting in history yesterday with the \$25,000 Palos Verdes Handicap. The inaugural feature kicks off 75 days of racing at the luxurious winter track.

Through action of the California Legislature in authorizing simultaneous racing in Southern and Northern California, Santa Anita received 20 extra days of racing for the 1967-68 season.

The additional dates were granted both to provide the state with extra revenue and induce Eastern turf stars to come West for the lengthy season. The season is followed by a three-day interlude prior to the Hollywood Park spring and summer meeting, also scheduled for 75 days.

Angling License Due for Renewal

Sport fishermen can save themselves time and trouble by renewing their present fishing licenses instead of purchasing new ones, the Department of Fish and Game said.

The 1967 licenses are renewable by purchasing a validating stamp and the required inland fishing stamps.

For the first time, there is no need to fill out a complete new application unless the angler has changed his name or address or unless his 1967 license is in too poor a condition to be used again.

The new licensing system this year will make renewals easier and faster for both anglers and license agents, it was indicated.

In order to renew his license, an angler need only present his current license and the required fee.

and was 5-for-6 at the free throw line for his 37 point total. Jim Nielson had 15 and Dan Hansen 12 for the winners.

The Saxons led by only 22-20 at the first quarter and 45-35 at halftime.

Compton, meanwhile, went on a first quarter rampage to bury Lasuen, 35-7, in the first eight minutes.

Five Tartars struck for at least 13 points each in the rout.

Culver City led Monrovia, 54-53, with one second to go in overtime. After a timeout Dan Strickler of Monrovia took the inbounds play and sank a quick shot for the victory.

Wilson High blew a 20-14 first quarter lead as the No. 2 Saxons outscored the Bruins 25-16 in the final period.

The Roundup

FIRST ROUND
North 83, Palos Verdes 69.
Compton 99, Lasuen 48.
Monrovia 55, Culver City 54.
North No. 2 74, Wilson 67.

TODAY
Lasuen vs. Wilson at 2 p.m.
Culver City vs. Palos Verdes at 4:30.
No. 2 North vs. Compton at 7 p.m.
No. 1 North vs. Monrovia at 8:30.

TOMORROW
Seventh place: 3 p.m.
Fifth place: 4:30
Third place: 7 p.m.
Championship: 8:30 p.m.



NORTH HIGH'S . . . Three ballhandler combination of Dan Hansen, Dan Anderson and Bob Jones are featured this week during the school's Christmas Basketball Tournament. The event was started last night and will conclude tomorrow with the finals at 8:30 p.m.

Celtic Seats Increased In Boston

The magic sellout figures repeated so frequently during the reign of the Celtics in the Boston Garden, "13,909" will shortly become a figure of the past.

Seating has been increased to read "15,409." The Boston Celtics are proud of their plushy new dressing room. They have wall-to-wall carpeting and you guessed the color—green. They even have a green blackboard in the room and the doors are painted the same color.

In keeping with the Celtics' color decor, the room is stocked with green soap!

Although he has passed on to another club—the Seattle Super Sonics—the San Francisco Warriors have paid homage to Tom Meschery by permanently retiring his old Warrior jersey, "No. 14."

Cazzie Russell, the former Michigan All-American, who is playing forward for the New York Knickerbockers this season, says: "We've got some terrific material this year and I want to get some of that playoff money so that I can buy two yachts."

"Two yachts?" asked a bewildered listener. "Yeah," Cazzie replied. "Then I could sell one to pay for the other one."

BARGAIN OFFERED FOR GOLF

The Los Angeles Open has struck a blow against inflation. Pre-season tickets for the \$100,000 links classic Jan. 24-28 at Brookside Park Golf Club in Pasadena, have been reduced to \$10. They were \$15 last winter.

President Pete Houser of the Los Angeles Junior Chamber of Commerce said he hoped to sell many more pre-season tickets by lowering the tab. They are now available at all Southern California golf courses and the Junior Chamber office, 404 S. Bixel Street, Los Angeles.

The tickets will be available only until Jan. 17, at which time they will revert to the \$15 price.

S. F. Attorney Appointed to Commission

San Francisco attorney Sherman Chickering has been named to the California Fish and Game Commission by Governor Reagan.

Chickering, a 56-year old Republican, will replace Thomas H. Richards Jr. whose term expires Jan. 1968.

Richards, a long time member of the commission, announced recently he was not a candidate for reappointment to the post.

Hundley Is Old-Timer With Lakers

After a break of four years, Hot Rod Hundley, former Los Angeles Lakers guard, is back in N.B.A. basketball as the Lakers' TV-radio color man.

Hot Rod was a very articulate player and quite a wit and raconteur. He insists that he is responsible for the Lakers' popularity and success in Los Angeles.

Hundley, an All-American at West Virginia University, originally was drafted by the Lakers when they were still playing in Minneapolis. This was the year before Elgin Baylor left Seattle University.

"I was so bad in my rookie year in the N.B.A., that we finished last," explains Hundley. "That gave us first shot at Elgin. If it hadn't been for me, the Lakers never would have landed Elgin Baylor."

One of Hot Rod's favorite stories concerns Dick Barnett, now of the New York Knickerbockers, who was his teammate on the Lakers. It seems that one night when the Los Angeles club was playing Boston, Coach Fred Schaus got thrown out of the game with two minutes left.

As he departed, he put the team in charge of Hundley. With five seconds left, the Lakers were two points behind and had the ball.

Hundley tells it, "I called time-out at this point. I figured, here's my chance to be a genius. So I set up this play for Jerry West to drive down the middle. A really intricate play with double picks and all that stuff. Barnett is in the back court with West.

"So Jerry throws the ball in to Barnett. Dick gets it, drives a few feet, throws up a jumper from about 35 feet, turns to me without even looking at the basket and purred, 'Darlin', we are in overtime.' I look up and there goes the ball, right through the hoop."

For decades now basketball buffs have insisted that the homecourt advantage is worth a minimum of four points to the host team.

Actually, less than one-half point separates the home teams from the visitors based on the first 125 games played in the circuit this season.

In these 125 contests, the home clubs have scored 66 points more than the visitors, or less than one-half point more than the "outsiders" in each contest.



Never Too Old To Be a Winner

Of the 40,000 or so thoroughbreds that race each year, less than 700 prove to be stakes winners.

Generally, if a horse does not win a stakes race at the age of 2 or 3, he's not likely to, but there are exceptions.

Stymie started out in claiming races where Hirsch Jacobs obtained him for \$1,500. Stymie went on to win \$918,485, but didn't win a stakes race until he took Aqueduct's Greyhound Handicap as a 4-year-old.

No Stymie perhaps, but a record breaker of a sort is the old grey mare Clarice M., who won her first stakes in the Sweepida Handicap at California's Stockton Fair last summer at the ripe age of 6.

What makes Clarice M.'s accomplishment worthy of note is the fact she had never been

to the races until, as a five-year-old, she was spotted romping in a field by Richard Magee.

Magee reasoned that with the pep she showed chasing butterflies she ought to be racing instead of playing. She was put in training, made her first start in Aug. of 1966, and won her first race on Oct. 15 at Fresno. Last year, she won a purse on opening day at Stockton and then won the Sweepida, the first California-bred winner of the Santa Anita Derby, and a product of Harry C. "Dutch" Hill's 30-acre "spread" at Stockton.

Clarice M. was the only representative of the "weaker" sex in the field, and paid her backers a handsome \$31.60 for their \$2 investment.



"X" MARKS THE SPOT . . . Figure 8 type racing will be offered both Sunday and New Year's Day Monday at Ascot Park. As many as 20 cars speed through the course intersection in an attempt to avoid banging into each other.