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PRO FOOTBALL

Ram NFL Slate Is Announced

The Rams will play their first Monday night game in history when they open the 1968 National Football League season in St. Louis on Sept. 16, as part of the 112-game NFL schedule.

That game with the Cardinals, the first of three consecutive matches against Century Division teams, will be televised nationally over the CBS network.

The Rams return to Los Angeles for their Coliseum opener against the Pittsburgh Steelers before visiting Cleveland, last year's Century winner and a 30-6 victim of Los Angeles in the 1968 Playoff Bowl at Miami.

Once again the '68 home schedule features a year-ending game with Baltimore, the team which last season lost the finale to the Rams, 34-10, before a sellout Coliseum crowd. That win gave the Rams the Coastal Division title and the right to represent the division in the Western Conference championship game against Green Bay.

Besides Pittsburgh and Baltimore, the Rams will host Coastal foes San Francisco and Atlanta as well as Detroit and Chicago from the Central

Division and New York from the Capital Division.

Other road games include Green Bay, Baltimore, Atlanta, San Francisco and Minnesota.

All games, except the Monday night opener, will be played on Sunday afternoons.

The schedule:
Monday, Sept. 26 (night)—at St. Louis.
Sunday, Sept. 22—Pittsburgh, Coliseum.
Sunday, Sept. 29—at Cleveland.
Sunday, Oct. 6—San Francisco, Coliseum.
Sunday, Oct. 13—Green Bay, at Milwaukee.
Sunday, Oct. 20—Atlanta, Coliseum.
Sunday, Oct. 27—at Baltimore.
Sunday, Nov. 3—Detroit, Coliseum.
Sunday, Nov. 10—at Atlanta.
Sunday, Nov. 17—at San Francisco.
Sunday, Nov. 24—New York, Coliseum.
Sunday, Dec. 1—at Minnesota.
Sunday, Dec. 8—Chicago, Coliseum.
Sunday, Dec. 15—Baltimore, Coliseum.
(All Coliseum games begin at 1:05 P.M.)

Skaters Compete At Arena

The South Bay Figure Skating Club has scheduled its fifth annual club competition on April 25, 28 and 30 at the Olympic Ice Arena, 23770 Western Ave., Harbor City.

Events will start with ribbon class figures on Thursday evening from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Other figure events will be next Sunday starting with junior ladies at 7 a.m. to finish off the preliminary figures.

Activities will resume in the evening at 6 p.m. with the ribbon classes and preliminary free style skating events. The balance of all other free style events, bronze dance and senior dance will be Tuesday evening, April 30, starting at 6:30 p.m.

The competition is sanctioned by the United States Figure Skating Association.

Santa Monica Easy Winner In Track Meet

Santa Monica ran away from South, 77-41, in a Bay League track and field meet Friday. Santa Monica is unbeaten.

North tied Inglewood, 59-59, as Jim Thomas won the 220, 880 and long jump and Tim Dillard ran 14.9 and 20.0 in the hurdles.

100—Danby (SM), Cole (SM), Hurd (SM), 10.1.
220—Danby (SM), Henderson (SM), Hernandez (SM), 22.4.
440—Henderson (SM), Johnson (SM), Raymond (S), 50.5.
880—Underwood (S), Walker (SM), Clevering (SM), 4:23.3.
1,760—Watson (S), Strichman (S), White (SM), 9:45.5.
3,520—Hanson (SM), Hanson (S), Hunn (SM), 14.9.
180 LH—Pappin (SM), Hurd (SM), Huey (S), 20.0.
HJ—Thomas (SM), Smith (S), H. Wilson (SM), 4-3.
LJ—Hurd (SM), Brown (SM), Hunn (SM), 22-0.
PV—Smit (S), Walpole (S), Crossgrove (SM), 13.5.
SP—Goldberg (SM), Gelsert (S), Nuffer (SM), 53-14.
440 Relay—Santa Monica (Cole, Henderson, Pappin, Hurd), 43.2.

Sportsmanship A la Soccer

By GEORGE WATSON

American football and baseball fans become irate on occasion, but the U.S.A. doesn't have the worst rooters in the world.

That's the opinion of Dr. John Harrington, who's been making a study of the subject at the request of the British government.

Dr. Harrington, a psychologist at the University of Birmingham, has come to the conclusion that the worst sports are British soccer fans.

The government asked him to make a study because of the recent rise in rowdiness at soccer games. In the last two months, more than 100 fans have been arrested for fighting in the stands or running onto the field to strike the players or officials.

The study of Dr. Harrington indicates that the United States seems to have fewer problems of violence at its football and baseball games.

"But," he said, "wait until soccer catches on in America. Then a reappraisal might be in order."

DR. ROBERT WOODS, famed athletic doctor with the Dodgers, and other organizations, has insisted for years that smoking is harmful. He also feels that many professional and non-professional athletes have cut short their careers by having the effects of tobacco products circulating throughout their bodies.

The American Cancer Society backs up Dr. Woods 100 per cent. "Cigaret smoking is not a gamble. All regular smokers studied at time of autopsy show damage, a special report of the ACS said.

The ACS also said men of 25 who have never smoked can expect to live almost seven years longer than men who smoke a pack or more cigarettes a day. Twice the number of smokers than nonsmokers die before they are 65.

Officials of the ACS issued a special report to comment on an article that appeared recently on a world side scale that no proof existed that cigarettes cause lung cancer or other ill effects.



CHANGING JOBS . . . Leaving North High School after a successful five years as head basketball coach is Skip Enger (left) who has been named head coach

at Mira Costa Junior College in Oceanside. His job at North goes to Russ Bierley (right), the school's junior varsity coach. (Press-Herald Photos)

Sky Race Knotted By Trio

Three teams have 7-3 records and three have 3-7 records in the Sky League baseball race.

Two co-leaders are Culver City and Morningside which traded victories this week and Rolling Hills which two-timed Beverly Hills with a pair of shutouts.

Torrance won a come-from-behind 4-3 win over Leuzinger, but fell to the Olympics 2-1 in nine innings at Torrance Park Thursday.

The teams will go into a single round showdown. Culver City plays at Torrance. The Centaurs upset Morningside, 8-5, lost the rematch 3-0 and 12-0.

Torrance, 4-3
Leuzinger, 2-1
Morningside, 6-2
Culver City, 8-5

Rolling Hills, 3-0
Rolling Hills, 12-0

Culver City, 8-5
Morningside, 6-2

Rolling Hills, 3-0
Rolling Hills, 12-0

Rolling Hills, 12-0
Beverly Hills, 0-6-7
Rolling Hills, 421 122 x-12 11 2
Kreyov, Heumann and Heumann, Smith, Arenstein, Becher and Schiff.

100-18 Win Registered By Knights

Bishop Montgomery scored a 100-18 track and field victory over St. Monica's in a Camino Real League meet Wednesday.

The Knights' only loss of the season was to unbeaten Crespi.

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220—Keith (BM), Fitzgerald (BM), Wiggins (BM), 24.2.
440—Fuoco (BM), Stetula (BM), Konos (BM), 54.3.
880—Lyach (BM), Merrill (BM), Davis (BM), 1:18.4.
1,760—Patterson (BM), Tobin (BM), Kallmeyer (BM), 5:43.1.
3,520—Long (BM), Tackaberry (BM), Hallman (BM), 10:22.2.
120 LH—Webber (BM), Mafoni (SM), Quiros (SM), 15.0.
HJ—Harbaugh (BM), Cortes (SM), Marfori (SM), 12.3.
LJ—Harbaugh (BM), McMahon (BM), Sequiera (BM), 28.4.
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Prep Baseball

Bay League				Pioneer League			
W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.	GB
North	10	2	.833	Palos Verdes	8	1	.888
South	7	3	.700	West	7	2	.727
Hawthorne	3	5	.375	El Segundo	5	4	.556
Redondo	2	5	.286	Lawndale	4	5	.444
Mira Costa	2	6	.333	Lennox	3	6	.333
Santa Monica	2	8	.200	Aviation	1	8	.111
Inglewood	1	7	.111				

Friday's Results
North 4, South 3.
Inglewood 3, Redondo 2.
Mira Costa 5, Santa Monica 2.
Monday's Games
Redondo at Hawthorne.
Santa Monica at Inglewood.
Mira Costa at South.

Thursday's Results
Rolling Hills 12, Beverly Hills.
Morningside 6, Culver City 2.
Leuzinger 2, Torrance 1 (9 innings).

Tuesday's Games
Culver City at Torrance.
Beverly Hills at Morningside.
Rolling Hills at Leuzinger.

Camino Real
St. Bernard's 8, 1.889
Crespi 7, 3.700
Montgomery 6, 3.667
St. Monica 2, 2.500
Lasuen 2, 2.222
Murphy 2, 2.222

Monday's Results
Crespi 2, Montgomery 1.
Tuesday's Game
Montgomery at St. Bernard's.

PIONEER LEAGUE
West Chases Palos Verdes

Palos Verdes is leading the Pioneer League in baseball, but West High has the Seekings on the run.

Coach Max Lomas' Warriors beat El Segundo twice this week by scores of 5-3 and 7-5 to stay within one game of P.V. Palos Verdes.

Palos Verdes has an 8-1 record and West has a 7-2 mark, losing to both the Kings and El Segundo during the season.

Glen Males pitched a five-hitter and West collected three runs in the sixth and two in the seventh to beat El Segundo Thursday. Sam Falcone and Jim Helvy homered for the Warriors in the two winning rallies. Skip Hogue had three hits in the game.

Palos Verdes unleashed a pair of 2-0 and 14-1 victories over Lennox to hold its lead. West plays Aviation Tuesday and has a home game with the Falcons on Thursday.

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Skip Enger Leaves at North High

Keith "Skip" Enger has accepted the basketball assignment at Mira Costa Junior College in Oceanside and will be replaced at North High by Russ Bierley.

Enger's varsity won its second straight Bay League championship this season and reached the semi-finals of the CIF basketball playoffs. Bierley was his assistant and coached the junior varsity team.

The announcement of the changes in coaching was made by Principal Dr. R. D. Guengerich.

During the five years Enger was head basketball coach, the Saxons compiled a 128-28 record, winning two Sky League and two Bay League titles. The 1965 Sky champions were second to Long Beach Poly in the CIF "AA" playoffs.

Enger said he has great reservations about leaving North High after 11 years, but he would never leave for another high school.

Inasmuch as he would like to concentrate in the field of basketball and has a great love for the game, the junior college assignment was most appealing, he said.

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South Spartans Win 5-4 Game

Baseball is often referred to as a long dragged out affair. And it also has the trademark that a game is never over until the last man is out or the winning run crosses the plate.

Coach Jerry McIlvaine of South had every reason to cry out, "I don't believe it," when his team won a 5-4 game from North Wednesday.

McIlvaine's Spartans sailed along for six innings with a

2-0 shutout, picking up both runs in the first two innings.

In the top of the seventh, Pitcher Wade Linstad suddenly went sour and walked two batters and gave up a single to pinch hitter Steve Bruecker.

Up to bat stepped Royle Stillman and he belted the fourth hit of the game off Linstad over the head of centerfielder Jeff Wang for a grand slam home run. That made the score 4-2 for nine-game winner North.

But in the use of pinch hitters by the Saxons, Charley Cannizzaro batted for pitcher Brad Rooker, so Rick Estrada was left with the job of getting the sides out in the bottom of the seventh. He never retired a man.

Following Wednesday's classic Bay League ball game in which South edged North, 5-4, the Saxons bounced back Friday to win a 4-3 repeat thriller with a run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

The North victory came on the eve of its two-game bye and left South and Hawthorne to battle for second place.

North has a 10-2 record and will play Hawthorne at home next Friday. South will play Monday and Wednesday games against Mira Costa before running into Inglewood on Friday.

South has a 7-3 record and will get one more shot at North on May 8.

North got a split in its series with South Friday when Gabe Lensing singled home Gary Takaki with two away in the seventh inning. Gary got aboard when his infield fly was dropped and he stole second base.

Brian Smith picked up his sixth straight pitching win, but he had to overcome a 3-run third inning.

Although they have nothing more to do with the pennant than to be spoilers for the three leaders, Inglewood beat Redondo, 3-2, and Mira Costa edged Santa Monica, 5-2.

South, 5-4
North, 10-2
Hawthorne, 7-3
El Segundo, 5-4
Lawndale, 4-5
Lennox, 3-6
Aviation, 1-8

Redondo, 8-0
Inglewood, 0-0-0-0-0-3-2
Redondo, 0-0-0-0-0-3-7
Mefia, Epstein, Skoml and May.
Kargl, Shaw and Harper.

Santa Monica, 10-4
Mira Costa, 0-0-0-0-0-10-10
Santa Monica, 2-41-300 x-10-12
Goodwin, Rogers, Rahn and Moore; Fortuna, McSpadden, Adenhold, Smith and Dias.

North, 4-3
South, 0-0-0-0-0-3-5-1
North, 0-12-0-0-1-4-5-2
Youik and Winter; Smith and Skaggs.

Inglewood, 3-2
Redondo, 0-0-0-0-0-3-4-2
Inglewood, 0-12-0-0-3-10-0
Luna Shaw and Harper; Guerrero and Benson.

Mira Costa, 5-2
Santa Monica, 0-11-0-0-2-11
Mira Costa, 0-12-300 x-5-2-1
Hatton, Smith, McSpadden and Dias; Sain and Moore.

RIVERSIDE CRASH Auto Demolished In Practice Run

George Follmer, considered a top threat in the U.S. Road Racing Championships at Riverside next week, appears to be a doubtful starter following a 160 mph crash during practice at the Raceway Tuesday afternoon.

Follmer sustained a bloody nose in the incident which demolished his track record-holding Lola-Chev.

On the ninth lap of his practice session, Follmer was accelerating out of turn one when he felt something break in the race car's front suspension. The machine left the track in the middle of the turn and skidded some 200 feet before coming to rest against the retaining wall in front of the grandstand.

"I don't know what broke," Follmer stated while viewing the wreckage, "but it was some ride. The thing that

really gets me," he continued, "is that we were almost three seconds below our old Riverside record and now this."

The Arcadia driver set the '67 USRRR record during the first day's qualifying. He was timed on the 2.6-mile road course at 1:24.3, an average of 111.032 mph. The next day he went home to mow his lawn and watch his son play Little League baseball while the rest of the field attempted to better his qualifying mark. None did.

His unofficial Tuesday practice time of 1:21.00 averages out to a 116 mph speed around the demanding nine turn road course.

"We were just shaking out the car," Follmer explained, "trying to get the feel of the front end configuration and playing with spoilers. I was

just starting to really work when it happened."

Follmer indicated he'll attempt to get the car back together, but that would seem to be an impossible task.

"I just don't know where to begin," he related. "I really wanted to run this one," he mentioned, in reference to the race which is the second of nine events leading to the championship.



The Old Timer
"The perfect guest is one who says, 'goodnight,' and goes."