

Hot Lines

By Al Coast

In this fast and ever changing life of ours, many odd and amusing things happen. Like people going from short hair to long locks, from side streets to freeways, and from big automobiles to the little death traps.

This is also true, a lot of times, in changing hobbies. A person will go on a bowling or square dancing spree and nothing else matters. Some times they become very proficient at some activity and acclaimed for their ability. Then again nobody will notice the change and they will try something different.

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A good example of this is taking place at the present time. A few years ago, I used to fish around the breakwater for opaleye and various perch. The following week, I might be up at Anacapa Island, trying to hook a black sea bass. It seemed like everywhere I went, I would see this black and white outboard with a wild, reckless, but none-the-less sporting type sportsman. Many stories were told of his prowess as a bass fisherman. It seems he always landed the seven and eight pounder without any problem. I found out only recently, that he was using 30 to 40 pound test line. Of course, the size of the line an angler used does not decry his sporting attitude.

One day it was brought to my attention that his boat no longer endangered the lives of seal gulls, seals, and sea urchins. What happened to this bass fisherman with the widely known reputation?

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Lo and behold, a couple of years later, your writer, who at times indulges in the game of golf, met up with this angler with the bass-catching reputation. Instead of a boat and armful of rods, here he is in a golf cart, with a golf bag so large, two caddies couldn't lift it, and a hand book on how to wheedle handicap strokes from your friends, without hurting their feelings.

The gentleman in question, one Wiley Pinson. For the next two years, he built up a reputation, comparable to the one concerning bass fishing, of always getting five a side. In golf language, this is a ten stroke handicap from his friends! He did real well with this until he ran out of pigeons and had to give up that. Walking into the Torrance Sports Shop last week, I noticed that the supply of fresh water tackle was exceptionally low. You guessed it, Wiley has taken up fresh water fishing. With the tackle, he acquired, he headed for Vail Lake. Now, this is a rather friendly sort of lake and the fish move leisurely about and don't hurry or get excited. They reported that for three days after Wiley was there, the fish population was so upset, they had to close the lake to get the poor fish settle down. He will be hard to get along with if he ever learns to catch bluegill.

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Grab this conversation when two fishermen meet —

- "HIYAMAC."
- "LOBUDDY."
- "BINEARLONG?"
- "COPLOURS."
- "CETCHENANNY?"
- "GODDAFEW."
- "KINDARTHY?"
- "BASSENARPENPERCH."
- "ENNYSETOOM?"
- "CUPLAPOWNS."
- "HITTINHARD?"
- "SORTALIKE."
- "WAHCHOOZIN?"
- "GOBBAWURMS."
- "FISHANONABODDUM?"
- "RYDONONABODDUM."
- "WHATCHADROKKIN?"
- "JUGAPAISANO."
- "IGODDAGO."
- "TUBAD."
- "SEYAROUN."
- "YEAHTAKIDEEZY."
- "GULUK!"

Fish fry Friday night at Torrance Rod and Gun Club clubhouse.

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There are a few spots left on the club charter for Sunday, June 22. The boat is the "New Hunter," a fast and comfortable boat. And the bass the yellowtail are big and hungry at San Clemente.

John Ossler, a member of the Long Beach Tuna Club, and your writer fished the breakwater, Wednesday night, with limits of three and four pounders prevailing. Ray Hawkes and myself fished Sunday night with fair success.

To the non-members of our club, we are having a dance on July 12. You are invited and will be very welcome. Come on over and let your hair down and take your shoes off.

Our membership is growing, but not as fast as we would like. It is our ambition to have a closed membership club. If you are a hunter or fisherman or a dancer, come on over and join up. We have two new junior members and one new senior member, Alan Morse.

Next meeting, June 17 — Plaza Del Amo and Border. Come on over and make yourself known.



MALIBUT IS KING . . . Holding a 24-pound halibut caught off the City of Redondo is George Ramsen, a retired electrician who resides at 5230 Ruby Street.

Hollywood Derby In 29th Running

The Hollywood Derby, which has been won by such past turf greats as Busher, Honeymoon, Rejected, Swaps, and Round Table, will have its 29th running Saturday at Hollywood Park. This year's \$100,000 added classic will bring together the class of the western three-year-olds against one of the top sophomores in the east.

Representing the east in the mile and one-quarter test will be Claiborne Farm's Jay Ray, who earlier this year made a similar west coast invasion and ran off with the \$127,700 California Derby at Golden Gate Fields.

Heading the Hollywood-based Derby hopes will be Mrs. Howard B. Keck's long-striding Tell, victorious in a pair of stakes this season and generally regarded the number one colt in California.

Jay Ray has raced twice

since his California Derby triumph, winning by five and one-half lengths. He has met the nation's best in his recent outings, finishing third to Majestic Prince and Arts and Letters in the Preakness and fifth in the Jersey Derby, won by Al Hattab. Jay Ray's connections had to put up \$5,000 to supplement him to the Hollywood Derby, as he was not an original nominee.

Tell will be trying to duplicate the feat of his sire, Round Table, who captured the Derby 12 years ago. He has campaigned primarily on the turf this year, bagging both the Will Rogers and Argonaut Stakes on the grass.

The race which may have earned him more admirers than either of his turf wins was the Caballero Stakes on the dirt, in which he finished second. Tell stumbled badly coming out of the gate in the Caballero, nearly unseating jockey Don Pierce. He regained his feet quickly, though, and came within a half-length of victory, despite losing countless lengths at the start.

Nohlme Jr. and Lonny's Secret are given the best chances of scoring upsets Saturday.

Lonny's Secret, a full brother to 1965 Hollywood Derby winner Terry's Secret, has challenged the top three-year-olds in the west all year but still is without a stakes victory. He was beaten just a neck in the San Felipe Handicap at Santa Anita and then was third to Majestic Prince in the Arcadia Derby. Lonny's Secret was third to Tell in the Argonaut in his only outing at the current meet.

Others set to contest the Derby include Eagle Fly, who also was a \$5,000 supplementary nominee; Court Road, winner of three races this season; Makor, Cherokee Strip, and Mayoworth.

Horses To Race On Turn

One of the new features of the 78-night quarter horse racing season at Los Alamitos this summer will be the 870-yard races which will find the swift horses running around a turn for the first time in track history.

Prior to this year, the furthest a quarter horse has run in California was 549 yards, which, like the shorter distances, are raced on the straight-away. With Southland fans accustomed to longer thoroughbred racing around turns, the 870-yarders should prove to be highly successful.

Racing secretary Donald Smith plans to stage two 870-yard events nightly at Los Alamitos, although he hasn't been able to card too many of them at the current Bay Meadows meeting.

"At first there were not enough horses ready to run that far," Smith explained. "But now, there are more and more of them stretching out. By the time we get to Los Alamitos, we should be in fairly good shape to stage the longer races."

During the first 22 nights of racing at Bay Meadows, there have been 14 870-yard races, and although many of the horses had previously only run at shorter distances, the races have been very formful.

Six favorites in the 14 races have been successful, while six more public choices have finished second. Of the remaining, one was third and the other sixth.

Jimmer Jr., trainer by Dale Radon, has won both of his 870-yard races and has posted the fastest times of the meeting so far. On May 3 the four-year-old roan son of Jimmer was clocked in 45.8 seconds and then came back May 7 with a 45.8 clocling.



CALVACADE OF SPORTS . . . All sports will be on display at the first Calvacade of Sports '49 Show which opens Thursday at the Great Western Exhibit Center. Promoting the event are Bill Scherer of Helms Foundation, Jim Scott, producer, and Cheryl Lee. The event will last 10 days.

CIF Year in Review

Several Outstanding team and individual accomplishments highlighted the 1968-69 prep year, with Compton High's basketball team taking the lion's share of honors.

Coach Bill Armstrong's cagers capped the first season of four-division play in the CIF by rolling through their 30-game schedule unscathed to stretch their unbeaten string to 62 straight games and annex the first "AAAA" championship.

The Tarabes didn't gain their second straight CIF crown easily, however, as Sunny Hills' Lancers gave them a stern test before being turned back, 59-55, at the Los Angeles Sports Arena.

St. Paul and El Rancho kicked

off the year by battling to a 20-20 deadlock in the "AAAA" division football finale after the Swordsmen had rolled roughshod through the season. It was the first tie in major division CIF, SS, football action since 1956 when Anaheim and Downey deadlocked for the crown, and only the third tie since the play-offs were inaugurated in 1915.

Newport Harbor, behind co-Player of the Year Eric Lindroth, annexed its second consecutive CIF water polo championship by defeating Lakewood in a match played in the beautiful Belmont Plaza Olympic pool.

Another major surprise in the 1968-69 prep campaign came when Garden Grove and

Claremont, both undefeated during the season, were eliminated from the "AAA" division basketball play-offs which Beverly Hills went on to win by defeating Santa Maria in the finals, 74-62.

Valley Christian, which had allowed an average of less than one goal per game during the season, and South Torrance, which had averaged more than five goals per match, met for the second CIF soccer champion with Valley Christian emerging victorious, 2-1.

Capping the outstanding season, Millikan's Rams exploded for seven runs in one inning to turn back Santa Fe's bid for its first CIF championship and win the baseball title in a

game played at Dodger Stadium.

Palos Verdes' Mark Pfeil, representing the Bay-Sky-Pioneer golf league, ran away from a field of the best Southland prep golfers to win the CIF individual golf championship with a two-under-par 69 at the Montecito Country Club in Santa Barbara.

In team golf play, Warren's Bears parlayed consistency and outstanding individual play by Jim Bradford to win the CIF team title with a five-man score of 394, 12 strokes better than second-place finishers the Bears with a 76.

Tennis champion Jeff Austin of Rolling Hills beat Tim Ott of Bishop Montgomery, 6-1, 6-0.

Shrine Game Is July 23

Advance requests and reservations for the 18th annual Shrine North-South Football Game and Pageant — set for July 23 in Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum — indicate a possible record turnout for the charity game.

This announcement was made by Ralph E. Fulkerson, director ticket sales emeritus, for the event benefitting the Los Angeles unit, Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children.

The all-star pre-college aggregations, carefully chosen by Northern and Southern California selection committees, will open training on July 11.

The Northern squad will set up camp at Spaulding Field on the UCLA campus, with the South crew working out at USC's Cromwell Field, managing director Jack B. Rogers disclosed.

Tickets are scaled at \$5, \$3.50, and \$1.50, and may be obtained at the Shrine Football Office or through more than 70 Southland Shrine Clubs, affiliated with Al Malaikah Temple.

Leading Riders Are Vets

Motorcycle racing traditionally has been a sport for the very young, so it's somewhat surprising that two veterans — Sammy Tanner and Shorty Seabourne — are the seasonal leaders as the riders prepare for this evening's meet at Ascot Park.

Tanner holds a slight lead over Seabourne in a tight duel for the 1969 leadership. Between the two of them, they've dominated the main event victories.

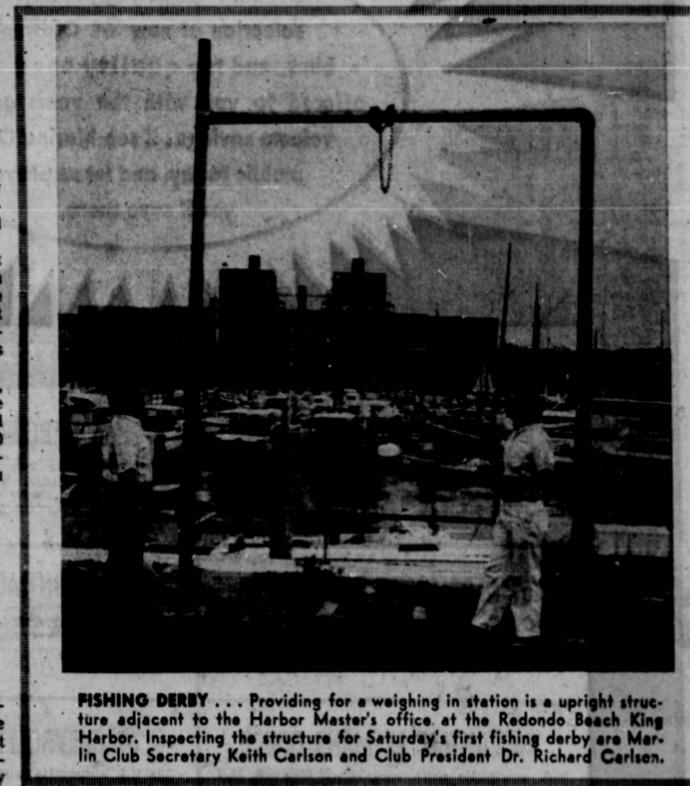
But behind the leaders are several young riders who are well up in the chase. They include Lloyd Houchins, Arcadia; Ron Kruseman, Ventura; Geezer Emmick, Downey; Tim Harris, Van Nuys; Paul Conserriere, Culver City; and Jim Odom, Fremont.

Then, too, some of the amateur hotshots have been speeding their way into the trophy dash. Keith Mashburn and Terry Donaher proved an amateur can get around the Ascot half-mile pretty fast, too.



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FISHING DERBY . . . Providing for a weighing in station is a upright structure adjacent to the Harbor Master's office at the Redondo Beach King Harbor. Inspecting the structure for Saturday's first fishing derby are Merlin Club Secretary Keith Carlson and Club President Dr. Richard Carlson.

Pettigrew Still Setting Records

Ron Pettigrew, Pepperdine College's smooth-striding senior distance ace, has accomplished something he never expected would happen so quickly.

On the last two successive weekends, Pettigrew has shattered two school records in the mile and 3,000-meter steeplechase.

Last Saturday before 10,269 fans at the Caliseum-Compton Invitational, the 6-foot and 150-pound athlete from Torrance established a new steeplechase record of 8:51.6 which was 10 seconds better than his previous best performance this year. His 8:51.6 placed third behind winner Barry Brown of the New York Athletic Club (8:38.6) and Bob Price of the Athens Athletic Club (8:40.4).

Pettigrew's new standard breaks his own school record by nine seconds of 8:59.2 which he set last year in the NCAA college division track finals.

The previous week he had lowered the mile record to 4:07.8 to break his old mark

of 4:11.1 which he set earlier this year.

The original mark, before Pettigrew began his assault this season, stood at 4:12.0 set in 1962 by Jerry Reich.

Commenting on his steeplechase effort, Pettigrew said, "If I hadn't run the first mile so fast, I would have easily been in the 8:40s, but I wanted to stay with the pack."

Next stop for Pettigrew will be the United States Track and Field Federation Championship meet in Lexington, Ky. today and Saturday.

Pettigrew will use this as a "warm-up" for the National Collegiate Track Championships beginning June 19 at the University of Tennessee.

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FUNDS ASKED FOR VAULTER STEVE SMITH

Funds are being raised for Steve Smith, two-time state pole vaulting champion, to attend the national meet in Miami Beach, Florida.

Donations may be sent to Coach Dick Scully at South High School.

Earlier in the week Scully reported that \$200 had already been donated for the expenses.

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