

Cubs Topple Listless Tartars 33-7

Tartar Harriers Win Bay League Title

THS Takes Six Of First Eight, Guerra Wins It

The Tartar cross country team took six out of the first eight places and Bob Guerra breezed home in the lead to give Torrance their second consecutive Bay League Cross Country championship in the Bay League finals, held Wednesday at Centinela Park in Inglewood.

Guerra ran the 1.8 mile course in 8:57, to win it. Tom Waller came in third in 9:03; Buzz Zamora was fourth, 9:10; Fred Albertson, sixth, 9:23; Jim Stanford, seventh, 9:27; Myron Schmidt, eighth, 9:34; and Dave Ruffell, sixteenth, 9:52.

The scoring was: Torrance 21; Santa Monica 52; Redondo 89; Inglewood 101; and Beverly Hills 108.

The Tartar JV's took seven out of the first nine places to win their section of the meet. Bob Buresch led the JV's to the finish line, followed by Frank Smith, third; Sherwood Tierman, fifth; Dave Campbell, sixth; Ernie Mata, seventh; Ernie Thompson, eighth; and Dick Dawson, ninth.

The Tartar JV's will participate in a Junior Varsity invitational cross country meet Tuesday at Morningside High School, Coach Verne Wolfe said.

The victory gave Torrance the right to represent the Bay League in the CIF preliminaries, to be held at Mt. San Antonio College Friday.

Due to injuries to key men, the Tartars did not get as far as the CIF finals last year, but Coach Wolfe thinks his runners meet strong competition from San Diego Hoover, Pt. Loma, Bellflower and Downey High Schools, all CIF powerhouses in their respective leagues.



BOB GUERRA Wins Bay League Finals

St. Anthony Wins, Will Face Samohi

St. Anthony High School, Catholic League champs who cancelled their scheduled game with Torrance High because they "needed a rest for the CIF playoffs," won the first round of the CIF's Friday night against Fillmore High 27-14.

The win gave St. Anthony the right to meet Santa Monica, the Bay League kingfish, next week in second round action. Santa Monica, the defending CIF champ, is favored to knock off the Saints and go on to repeat the CIF championship.

Santa Monica lashed past Torrance earlier in the season 19-14, their closest game of the year.

Harbor Thwarts ECC Hope for Second Place

El Camino college lost the chance to end in a tie for second in Metro football standings by losing a sloppily played game to seventh place Harbor JC 27-13 on Thanksgiving Day on Warrior Field.

Previous to the El Camino game, Harbor had won only one league game and had lost five. The loss dropped El Camino into a tie for third place with San Diego in final league standings.

For the first three minutes of the Thanksgiving day set-to, the game was an electrifying and thrilling one. Seahawk Dave Carroll took the opening kickoff and started toward the right sidelines following the entire Harbor team. Then he reversed the ball to Art Diocson, who sped up the left sidelines practically alone and carried the ball 83 yards to a touchdown.

Warriors Retaliate Before Harbor fans had finished pummeling each other, El Camino had struck back with a touchdown of its own, to even the score 7-7 with three minutes gone in the game.

Don Greco started the drive, which went 65 yards in four plays. Greco passed to end Bill Autry for 25 yards and a first down on the Harbor 35. Two plays later, Bill Crawford flipped a shortie to Greco, who lateraled to Ken Swearingen and Ken was off to the races — 33 yards to a TD.

Swearingen's place kick knotted the score.

Seahawks Drive Back The Seahaks then gave notice that they were determined to pull an upset by driving right back after the kickoff to score again, and 20 points had been tallied in the first eight minutes of the fracas.

Fullback Charles Boydston got the Seahawk drive in gear by hitting his favorite target for the day. End Pete Galloni, with a 40 yard aerial that put the skin on the Warrior 26.

Boydston, running like a large truck, carried the ball to the nine yard line on two plays, and then, Big Bruce Bolden took over and hit for three, then boomed up the middle for six more yards and six more points. He flattened Greco in the end zone and would have probably made a sizable dent in the goal post, had he kept going.

Crawford Fumbles On the first play after the kickoff, Crawford fumbled and

Harbor recovered on the Warrior 43. The Warriors fumbled five times in the game, and three of the bobbles were recovered by the Seahawks.

Fumbles and intercepted passes kept the two teams at a standstill until the middle of the second quarter. Then Don Greco fumbled and a Seahawk recovered on the El Camino 27. A pass interference call put the ball on the 14 and from there, Bolden snowballed up the middle for a touchdown to make the score 20-7.

With less than a minute to go in the half, Harbor scored again. Punt Blocked. A Crawford punt was partially blocked, giving the Seahawks the ball on the Warrior 27. From there, Boydston hit Galloni for 15 yards, and from the 12, with 28 seconds to go in the half, Boydston passed to Gabriel Mendoza in the end zone. Score 27-7.

That ended the Harbor scoring for the day, and El Camino dominated the play in the second half. But it took the Warriors the complete third quarter to score again.

Starting on their own 28, El Camino drove 72 yards in 11 plays, their best sustained drive of the afternoon. Unable to crack the middle of the Seahawk line with Manuel Murrietta, Harbor's ace linebacker, filling in the holes the El Camino linemen opened, the Warriors decided to try running the ends, and it worked.

Stan Becker circled right end for 15. Don Spicer ripped around for another 15, and after a penalty, Crawford kept the ball and sliced through tackle for 10 and a first down on the Harbor 11. Stan Becker took a quick pitchout around left end to the Seahawk two, and Crawford sneaked it over.

Pass Intercepted Another Warrior drive in the

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OUCH... A demoniac-looking, unidentified Loyola runner smacks Tartar Carlos Skaggs away with a straight arm. The Cub, hitting hard and giving no quarter, turned a formerly vicious pack of Torrance Tartars into a group of feeble arthritics Wednesday night, Cubs won 33-7. (Herald photo)

Tartar Gagers Top Hawthorne 46-42 in Opener

With two first stringers on the court, the Torrance High School basketball team edged Hawthorne High 46-42 Wednesday in the opening practice game of the season in the local gym.

Bob Guerra came back from taking first place in the Bay League Cross Country finals, jumped into a basketball uniform and scored 14 points, second highest of the afternoon. All-Bay League Guard Bob Moon led the Tartars with 16 points on seven field goals and two free throws.

Coach Rex Welch is expecting to strengthen his team considerably this week when members of the football team will be free to play basketball. Turning out will be Jerry Farrar, F; Bob Boss, C; Tom Vanderpool, G; Harold Phillip, G; Dennis Hester, G; Don Forth, G-C, and Burt Smith, F.

Tuesday afternoon on the home court, the Tartars will host Santa Monica High School in what Coach Welch believes will be a rough one.

First round pairings for the Pacific Shores Basketball Tournament have been announced with Torrance meeting Hawthorne at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 9, the opening night of the tourney, which will be held in the Mira Costa and Redondo High School gyms.

Torrance showed eagle eye form on the free-throw line, sinking 14 out of 15 attempts against Hawthorne.

Since Hawthorne also has most of its first-string basketball team still on the football field, the first round game of the Pacific Shores Tournament should see two almost entirely different teams clashing. If Torrance wins, they will meet the winner of the Redondo vs. Glendale Hoover game in the second round. If the Tartars lose, they will face the loser of that game.

Jim Lawrence sank 22 points to pace the Tartar JV's to a 50-35 win over the Hawthorne JV's. Ron Anderson scored 13 points for next-highest honors.

Torrance (46) Hawthorne (42)
Chambers (10) F (5) Costanza Walker (0) F (4) Casady Bridgeman (2) C (5) Mix Moon (16) G (5) Haskell Kelly (1) G (4) Farnham

Scoring subs: Torrance—Guerra (14), Ruffell (3), Hawthorne: Nicholson (4), Rector (10), DeBaca (5).

Top Volleyball Games Draw 200

More than 200 spectators watched five top volleyball teams in an exhibition of the sport held Tuesday night in the Torrance High School gym, according to Harry Van Bellehem, City Recreation director.

Purpose of the exhibition was to generate interest in the sport of volleyball in Torrance.

In the opening event, two top women's teams, the Westerners and the All Stars, squared off in a pair of games which the Westerners won 17-15 and 15-6. The men took over for the final three matches. The Long Beach Vets topped the Long Beach Open squad 15-10 and followed with two victories over a championship team from Mexico. The Vets beat the Mexican team 12-10 in a time limit game and 15-12 in the final game of the night. Al Fish, of the Long Beach YMCA, coaches the Long Beach teams.

MILES TOTAL Motor vehicles in the United States travel about one-half trillion miles a year.

33-7 Loss Tartars' Worst Game of Year

A listless bunch of Torrance High School Tartars, who didn't seem to care whether they won or lost, had their ears pinned back by a determined Loyola High School team Wednesday night on Tartar field. Score was 33-7.

Loyola is a team that hates to lose. Consequently, they seldom do. If the Tartars had played as well against the Cubs as they did against Santa Monica or Inglewood, they could have joined the elite group of teams which have beaten Loyola in the past few years. They didn't.

A few individual performances in the Tartar ranks stood out, perhaps by contrast with the majority. Dennis Hester, second string junior end, played a brilliant game. It was his grab of a Burt Smith pass and stirring 30-yard run that gave Torrance its solo score. The play occurred in the third period. From the Loyola 41-yard line, Smith pitched to Hester who set his sights for the end zone and wouldn't be stopped until he got there.

His 30-yard run, past three Cub defenders, gave Tartar fans one of the few chances they had to stand up and cheer during the game.

Olloque, Skaggs, Good Manuel Olloque and Carlos Skaggs turned in some hard-hitting defensive play. Olloque broke through to nail a Cub backer in the fourth quarter when Loyola had fourth down and half an inch to go in Tartar territory. It was one of the few times in the game that Torrance stopped the Cubs. Skaggs led the Cubs know he was there by crashing through on a point after touchdown try and laying flat on their backs. Hester, Olloque and Skaggs will all be back next year.

The rest of the game was all Loyola. The Cubs scored the first time they got the ball, after the opening kickoff. They moved 58 yards in 11 plays to score with three minutes gone in the game. Quarterback Bill Thom, a top passer, set up the score with a 26-yard pass to Jim McAnany that put the ball on the Torrance 31. From there, after two running plays, Thom passed to McAnany again, who swept 15 yards and was knocked out of bounds on the Torrance one-yard line.

Bruno Scores Dick Bruno carried it over and Thom's placement missed. After Torrance received and punted after three plays, Bruno skirted right end and churned 40 yards to the Torrance 43. Burt Smith, the safety man, was the last man in his path and finally made the tackle.

After an eight-yard loss, Jim McAnany grabbed a Thom pass near the sidelines, neatly sidestepped three futile Torrance tacklers who had clear shots at him, and trotted 52 yards to score. Fans who saw the play are still wondering how those three tacklers missed McAnany, and McAnany is probably still wondering how they did, too.

Thom converted and Loyola led 13-0 with 2:49 to go in the first quarter.

Tartars Stopped Again The Tartars took the kickoff and were forced to punt again. In the first quarter, Torrance made the grand total of 11 yards running, and five passing.

After Loyola had moved from its own 10 to the Torrance 44 with slashing runs by McAnany and Francis Conn, a pass by Thom was intercepted by Joe

Lafferty and run back to the Tartar 36, and it looked like the Torrance team had come back from the dead. But Lafferty fumbled three plays later and Loyola recovered.

Coach Cliff Graybehl had pulled most of his first string by this time, and against next year's team, Bruno ran right end for 20 yards to the Tartar 25 where Thom zeroed in on McAnany in the end zone. Score—20-7. The pass was good for 27 yards.

Again, Tartars Fall Torrance again received the kickoff and again punted, after three plays had netted seven yards. Loyola, with Bruno and Conn running viciously, ripped steadily up the field from its own nine to the Torrance eight-yard line in six plays. Conn broke loose for 36 yards to spark his march, and was brought down by Chuck Codd, the fast man in his way.

Then Burt Smith intercepted a pass and ran it back 60 yards and the Tartars once again threatened. With less than a minute to go in the half, Smith tried to pass twice, was rushed badly, and couldn't get the ball away. With 10 seconds to go, Burt tried the screen pass to Dick Piazza, and Dick plowed 17 yards to the Loyola eight-yard line as the half ended.

Tartars Start Drive As the second half opened, it looked like Coach Graybehl might have worked some half-time magic on his charges. With Kasten and Smith carrying, they drove from their 38 to the Cub 30, where a fourth down penalty stopped the drive, and Smith punted.

The Torrance line stiffened and held the Cubs at this point, and for the first and only time in the game, Thom was forced to punt. Unfortunately, the tables turned disastrously.

The punt brushed Joe Lafferty as it came down, thus becoming a free ball, and a Loyola recovered it on the Tartar 36. It took the Cubs three plays to score. McAnany cracked tackle for 10, Bruno skirted right end for 20, and Conn boomed through right tackle for six yards and the score.

It was right after the ensuing kickoff that Torrance rose up and scored, with Hester doing the honors.

Cubs Charge Back Loyola charged right back and drove to the Tartar 24. From there, Conn threw a pass to end Jim Lenihan right up the middle and he stepped lightly into the end zone for the Cubs final score.

Olloque stopped the next Cub drive with his breakthrough on fourth down. Smith passed to Hester for 22 yards and the Tartars started to drive again in the fourth quarter, but a bad center led to a fumble, and Loyola recovered.

It was the last high school game for 22 Tartar seniors.

STATISTICS
Torrance gained rushing... 153
Torrance lost rushing... 5
Net yards rushing... 148
Passing... 215
Net yards passing... 9
Fumbles, opponents... 2
Fumbles, Torrance... 2
Punts, yards... 185
Punts, average... 35

Losers Weepers in Herald Prophet Poll

"Deal!" cried the losers. "Wait till next year!" cried the six chagrined Herald prognosticators, after Loyola High School upset the dope bucket and the Torrance High School Tartars 33-7.

But why Police Chief J. H. Stroh got the facts on the Tartar-Cub clash. So he wins, M'am. That's about the size of it.

Chief Stroh chose Loyola by six points. Jack Baldwin, former Herald editor, came close to the top by choosing the Cubs by 13 points. He took second place. For everyone else, trial will be held in Dept. 40 of Prophet's Court, in and for the County of Los Angeles. The first question to be answered: "Who threw the dirty shoe in Mr. Prophet's witches' brew?"

A suitable trophy will be engraved with an appropriate inscription and presented to the winner at a later date.

READER AND WEEPER (Final, 1953)

NAME	Total Points
CHIEF J. H. STROH	139
J. O. Baldwin	142
Marv Hall	186
Milt Isbell	188
A. C. Turner	203
Red Bundy	215
Darwin Farnish	200

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SWING YOUR PARTNER... El Camino Quarterback Bill Crawford, with ball, engages in a weird dance with a Harbor Junior College defender in the game won by the Seahawks 27-13 on Thanksgiving Day. (Herald photo)

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