

El Segundo Rides Again

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One of the big hassles of the 1966 high school athletic campaign was the confusion that took place during the CIF baseball playoffs. El Segundo High, which won the "AA" playoffs in 1965 and had virtually the same team in '66, applied for a shot at the "AAA" division playoffs and was given sanction by the Executive Committee. The only thing El Segundo had to do was win its Pioneer League title again.

In spite of two league losses to West and Palos Verdes, El Segundo broke even with West High at 13-2 each in the standings. Inasmuch as El Segundo beat West twice, the Eagles went into the "AAA" tournament via special playoff game against Rolling Hills, No. 2 team of the Sky League.

Ultimately El Segundo won six playoff games and captured the CIF "AAA" championship.

West High, meanwhile, the only team that seemed to make a game interesting for El Segundo, should have been given a chance to make the "AA" playoffs. It seemed that way, at least, inasmuch as Coach Max Lomas' varsity would have been a seeded contender had it come a notch closer to besting El Segundo in the standings.

This year the Pioneer League has been moved into "AAA" territory and two teams are assured playoff berths. El Segundo once again is the favorite. The team is unbeaten and won the Hawthorne Tournament during the holidays.

Divisional assignments for the 1967 CIF baseball playoffs, which begin May 16 in the AAA division and May 19 in the AA and A divisions, have been announced by CIF Commissioner Ken Fagan.

Sixteen leagues have been assigned to the AAA division and will send two teams into the playoffs. Champions, co-champions or second place teams form the tournament field. Dates for AAA competition are May 16, 19, 23, 26 and June 2.

In the two lower divisions, only league champions (one representative) and qualified free lance schools will participate in the play-offs which run May 19, 23, 26 and June 2. Sixteen league champions will enter the AA division and 14 qualify for the A division along with free lance schools.

Free lance schools hopeful of entering the playoffs have had their schedules evaluated by the CIF Executive Committee. In order to qualify for playoff action a free lance school must win eight of 10 specified games.

Schools which have had their schedules evaluated are Eagle Mountain, Owens Valley, Chaminade Prep, Big Pine, Agoura, Bosco Tech, Needles and St. Bonaventure.

El Segundo High is defending AAA division champion while South Hills won the AA title and Hemet the A crown.

The following league have been assigned to the AAA division and will be entitled to two play-off entries: Bay, Catholic, Channel, Citrus Belt, Coast, Foothill, Freeway, Garden Grove, Montview, Moore, Pacific, Pioneer, San Gabriel Valley, Sky, Suburban, and Sunset.

The following 16 are AA division leagues and will be entitled to one entry: Angelus, Comino Real, Crestview, Desert-Valley, Frontier, Golden, Imperial Valley, Inland, Irvine, Ivy, Rio Hondo, San Antonio, San Luis Athletic, Santa Barbara County, Santa Fe, and Sierra.

The following are A division leagues and will also be entitled to one entry: Academy, Arrowhead, Condor, De Anza, Desert-Inyo (major), Desert-Inyo (minor), Delphic, Hacienda, Mountain-Desert, Olympic, Orange, Prep, Tri-County and Tri-Valley.

'Hairy Olds' Will Run At Drag Race Event

The Hurst Hairy Oldsmobile, one of the wildest performing cars in drag racing has been added to the list of exciting sidelight attractions connected with this weekend's 4th annual Hot Rod Magazine drag racing championships at Riverside International Raceway.

A product of the Hurst Performance Research Center in Detroit, the car is a basic Olds 4-4-2, powered by two 425-cubic inch fuel injected and supercharged O'd-mobile V-8 engines, each having an output of approximately 1,050 horsepower.

Driven by veteran dragster driver Joe Shubeck, the unique machine was built strictly as an exhibition car and for the development of new performance products.

Spectacular in performance at drag strips, it is capable of fantastic speeds in the quarter mile, traveling the distance virtually enveloped in smoke from the tires and tremendous power.

Shubeck will drive the car in exhibition runs between class and eliminator run-offs during the weekend program at Riverside, where more than 350 entries will be gathered for the \$25,000 meet.

The Hairy Olds is one of two added attractions which have been arranged as part of the show. The second will be an aerobatic show by veteran stunt flier Art Scholl of Colton, member of the U.S. Olympic Aerobatic Team which competed in Russia recently.

The 41 year old Scholl will pilot his famed "Chipmunk" through a series of aerial maneuvers, including the breath-taking Russian Borscht Stall, during intermission on Sunday.

Meanwhile, one of the finest fields in history has been lined up for the Hot Rod Magazine-sponsored event. Names such as Connie Kalitta, Tom McEwen, Mike Snively, Mike Sorokin, Jack Chrisman, Hayden Proffitt, Shirley Shahan, Danny Ongais, Gas Ronda and many others will be seeking honors in the ten major eliminator categories.

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MAID FOR A QUEEN . . . Half of the 'four-man' barnstorming softball team—"Queen and Her Maids" are Eileen (left) and Rosie Beard (right) of Rolling Hills. Queen Rosie, 14, is regarded as the greatest junior softball pitcher in the world and has been

pitching four years. The sisters will put on a pitcher-catcher demonstration during Friday's South Bay Athletic Club luncheon at the Plush Horse. During the summer they will take part in a 25,000-mile barnstorming tour of the United States and Canada. (Press-Herald Photo)

Knights Win First League Track Meet

Bishop Montgomery's track and field team travels to Crespi for its second Camino Real League meet Friday.

Last week the Knights ran by St. Bernard's in all three divisions, winning the varsity meet, 84-29.

100 — Keith (M), Dunbar (SB), Walker (M), 10.4.
200 — Keith (M), McMann (M), Lardus (SB), 22.5.
400 — McMann (M), Walker (M), Spaw (SB), 52.0.
800 — Merrill (M), Stehuls (M), Gayles (SB), 2:06.3.
1 Mile — Mirabeak (SB), Spraker (M), Sullivan (SB), 4:35.3.
2 Mile — Urtiza (SB), Crothers (SB), Tyrell (M), 10:23.7.
70 HH — Sullivan (M), Schemenauer (M), Ruets (M), 6:0.
120 LH — Fitzgerald (M), Thomas (SB), Jenkins (SB), 14.5.
800 Relay — Bishop Montgomery (Walker, Keith, Merrill, McMann), 1:34.9.

Long Jump — Wracon (SB), Sullivan (M), Hanson (M), 18.9.
Shot put — Glover (M), Vega (M), Chaney (M), 40'10".
Pole Vault — Reed (M), Harbough (M), Volpe (M), 11' 6".
High Jump — Crawford (M), Schemenauer (M), Ruets (M), 6'0".
Final score: Montgomery 84, St. Bernard's 29.

B — Montgomery 84, St. Bernard's 11.
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Sprint Cars Roll at Ascot

Three former California Racing Association champions, Hal Minyard of Crestline, Bob Hogle of Buena Park, and Jack Brunner of Gardena, head a field of 50 drivers from five states in Saturday night's opening CRA Sprint Car night racing program of the year at Ascot Park in Gardena. Racing starts at 8:30 p.m.

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SET FOR MEET . . .

Miss Gold Angel, shown with trainer Darrell Banks, will race during the 29-day quarter horse racing season at Los Alamitos. Racing is held daily, Tuesday through Saturday.

AYSO FETED IN LYNWOOD

A gathering of 387 persons attended the American Youth Soccer Organization annual awards banquet at St. Stephens Athletic Club in Lynwood Saturday.

Championship trophies were presented to the Torrance Hornets, Sierra Madre Thunderbirds, Northridge Condors and Torrance Panthers, grand champions.

Mario Machado was master of ceremonies. Guests were Hans Stierle, Herbert Bonnet, Les Breitenfeldt, John Lavagnino, John Cooper, Joe Gilman, Wolfgang Schneider, Max Wozniak, Joe Schwarz and Herbert Leuzinger.

The 39-man coach staff was presented with league jackets.

The youth soccer program this year was highlighted with the construction of a new soccer facility in Torrance.

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Ban Sought On Blackouts

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn's call for a ban on "television blackouts" may get Congressional action.

Hahn asked every member of Congress to consider giving the Federal Communications Commission power to prohibit "blackouts" of certain audiences when a live event is telecast nationwide from their areas.

He contends that such blackouts are against the public interest and could be in violation of the Constitution, which virtually gives every American the "right to know and enjoy."

The issue was raised when the highly publicized Super Bowl Game at the Los Angeles Coliseum was blacked out in Los Angeles in January.

Strong support for Hahn's proposal has come from Senator Thomas Kuchel of California and Senator Warren Magnuson of Washington, chairman of the Senate Committee on Commerce.

Senator Kuchel wrote Hahn:

"I greatly sympathize with the dissatisfaction and concern of the 7 million citizens of Los Angeles County who were prevented from watching the Super Bowl Game because of such a 'blackout'."

"I have discussed this matter with Senator Magnuson, the chairman of the Senate Committee on Commerce, and he has assured me that this problem will be studied in considering legislative proposals in the radio and television area.

"There is most certainly a question of public interest involved when a large segment of the population is deprived of a network's services. The law concerned must be reviewed and the welfare of the people recognized."

Kuchel said he would pursue this matter during the 90th Congress.



CHUCK FREEMAN

Baseball Clinic To Be Held

Riviera Little League will sponsor a baseball clinic Sunday, April 9, at 1 p.m. at Wilson Field, 23701 Ocean Ave., Torrance.

The clinic will be conducted by Chuck Freeman, baseball coach at El Camino College. Assisting him will be the college baseball team.

Anyone interested in baseball is invited to attend the clinic, according to Al Jicha, league president.

Eight Teams To Compete In Slo-Pitch

The sixth season for the West Coast Slo-Pitch League will begin Friday, April 14 with four doubleheaders.

A 28-game split schedule has been arranged for the eight league members. Participating in this year's league are Torrance Tappa Keggas, Torrance Mustangs, Santa Ana Rebels, Lomita Old Pros, Gardena Royals, Hughes Hustlers of El Segundo, Los Angeles Oldtimers and Manhattan Beach Knights.

The winners of each split season will compete in 2-out-of-3 game playoffs for the championship in August. The fifth annual all-star game at Rowley Park in Gardena is again planned for July 4. The first half champion will oppose an all-star contingent from the remaining seven teams.

The regular season begins April 14 with Santa Ana vs. Tappa Keggas at Torrance Park. Lomita at Gardena; the Mustangs vs. Hughes at Alondra Park; and L.A. at Manhattan Beach.

Tennis Team Has 44 Mark At El Camino

With a 4-4 Metropolitan Conference slate, the El Camino College tennis team will meet Rio Hondo College on the Warrior courts Friday at 2:30 p.m.

In the first round of Metro action the Warriors topped Rio Hondo, 9-0. However, the El Camino racketmen are currently faced with a mid-season slump and a win over the Road Runners might help put the Tribe back to its winning ways.

The latest loss was dealt to the Warriors by the Santa Monica Corsairs, 8-1. In the encounter, the only Tribal victory was scored by the third doubles team of Bruce Carson and Vaughn Wopschall.

The duo downed their Santa Monica foes in a three-match battle with scores of 2-6, 6-1 and 8-6.

Top Rookie

Dave Bing, first draft choice of the Detroit Pistons has been named Rookie of the Year in the National Basketball Association.

Bing polled 74 of 90 ballots cast. The other 16 votes were Lou Hudson of St. Louis 13 and 3 for the Los Angeles Lakers' yearling, Archie Clark.

BALL GAMES RAINED OUT

Four Torrance high school baseball games were rained out yesterday.

In the feature game between Bishop Montgomery and Crespi, it was called off while the teams were warming up at Montgomery as the result of a cloud burst.

North High's game at Santa Monica was rescheduled for today. Torrance had been scheduled to travel to Morningside and West to host El Segundo yesterday.

South High was not scheduled this week.

Bay League

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Redondo	3	1	.750	
South Torrance	2	2	.667	
Mira Costa	2	3	.500	1
North Torrance	2	3	.500	1
Inglewood	2	3	.500	1
Hawthorne	2	4	.333	2
Santa Monica	1	3	.250	3

Camino Real

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Montgomery	4	0	1.000	
Crespi	3	1	.750	1
Lauson	2	1	.667	1 1/2
St. Bernard	2	2	.500	2
St. Monica	0	3	.000	3 1/2
Murphy	0	4	.000	4

Pioneer League

	W	L	Pct.	GB
El Segundo	4	0	1.000	
Lawndale	2	1	.667	1 1/2
Aviation	2	2	.500	2
West Torrance	2	2	.500	2
Palos Verdes	2	3	.333	2 1/2
Lennox	0	4	.000	4

Sky League

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Rolling Hills	3	1	.750	
Torrance	3	1	.750	
Beverly Hills	3	1	.750	
Culver City	2	2	.500	1
Leuzinger	1	3	.250	2
Morningside	0	4	.000	3

Chaffey Holds Annual Meet On Saturday

Fifty-seven Southland high schools will send track and field contingents to the 39th annual Chaffey Invitational Saturday at Ontario, according to Ernest Payne, Invitational manager and Chaffey High principal.

Heats are scheduled at 10 a.m. with the first running final slated for 1:30 p.m.

More than 1,400 athletes representing 1,800 entries will compete in open and novice divisions, according to Truck Lindsay, Chaffey athletic director.

Compton High is defending open division champion and among the favorites again. The Compton team is expected to be headed by Barnes Bell (49.5 in the quarter and 1:57.0 in the half), Victor Moore (1:57.0), high jumper Renaldo Brown (6-7), sprinter Preston Dixon (21.7), and hurdler Ken Landry (19.5).

Track Meet Set April 15

City-wide track and field practice for boys and girls, grades 3 through 12, will culminate in a city-wide meet Saturday, April 15, at Torrance High.

Preliminary meets will be held at North, South and Torrance high schools on Saturday, April 8, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for participating youngsters in these districts.

Parent permission forms and entry sheets must be turned in at the district meets.

Track and field is a Torrance Recreation Department sponsored program. Entry sheets, rules, and further information may be obtained at any supervised park or playground.