

In the Teen Man tennis tourney

College teammates vie for title

By TOM BAER

Texas' Trinity College, long known for its excellent tennis program, supplied the top-flight finalists last Sunday in the Teen Man Open tournament at

the Detroit Tennis and Squash Club in Farmington Hills. Erick Iskersky, 21, who ran out of eligibility at the San Antonio college after this past season, picked up the \$1,200 top prize by beating Trinity

teammate Mark Pinchoff, 19, in the Teen Man Men's Open flight final, 6-4, 6-3. Iskersky is a resident of Rossford, Ohio. Pinchoff, who played his prep tennis at West Bloomfield High, will be

a sophomore at Trinity. As an amateur, he couldn't accept the \$800 second-prize money.

"It was an interesting match," said tournament director Chuck Karabel. "Iskersky got a service break early in each set and just held his serve right on out to win it. Pinchoff had some chances in the first set. In the second set, he really didn't."

In the Men's Open semifinal, Iskersky beat Holland's Jeff Eiterbeck, the University of Michigan's No. 1 singles player, 6-4, 6-3. In the other semi, Pinchoff beat Roger Blackburn, a 15-year-old Birmingham resident, 6-2, 6-4.

Blackburn pulled the upset of the tournament by beating No. 2 seed and defending champion Jerry Karzen of Wilmette, Ill., in three sets, 2-6, 7-5, 6-3.

SOME OF THE most watched Men's Open matches involved 12-year-old Aaron Krickstein of Grosse Pointe Woods. The youngster won two qualifying matches before being eliminated by Grosse Isle's Mike Rose, 6-7, 6-2, 7-5.

"That was a superb match," Karabel said. "This 12-year-old Aaron is one sensational player. He's No. 2 in the country in 12-and-under."

In the Women's Singles flight final, Southfield's Annette Zaharoff, the No. 3 seed, whipped Judi Ross, a West Bloomfield resident and a former prep standout at Southfield High School, 6-4, 7-5.

Ross made the final by beating No. 2 seed Peggy O'Neil of Livonia in three sets, 5-7, 6-1, 7-6. In the other semifinal, Zaharoff stopped Laura Tatt of Oak Park, 6-3, 6-3.

Ron Heulman of Ft. Wayne, Ind., won the Men's Over 35 flight with a 6-3, 6-2 showing over Kalamazoo's Les Dodson.

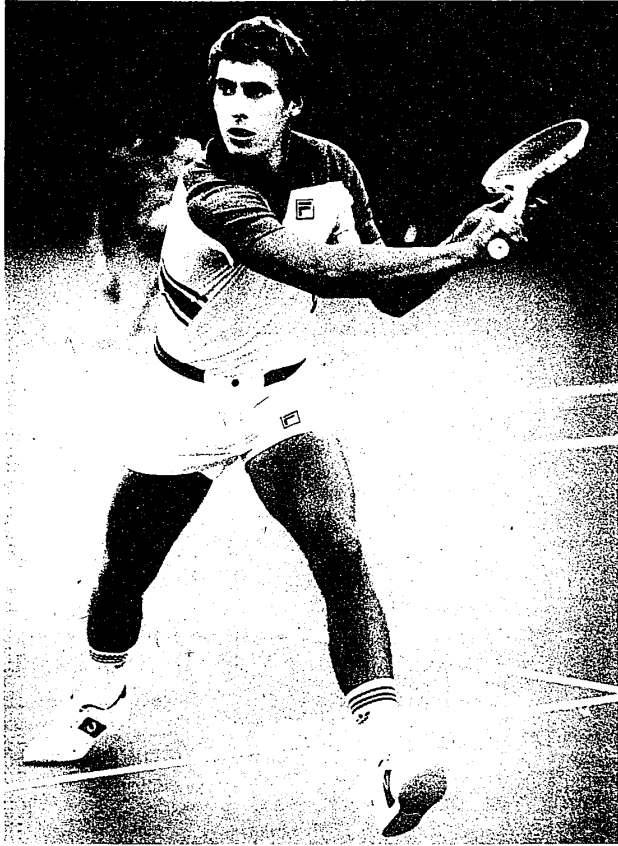
Roger Pharr of Orlando, Fla., needed three sets to overcome Muskegon's Don Pimley, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3, in the finals of the Men's Over 45 flight.

No. 2-seeded Leonard Brose of Southfield made the Over 45 semifinals before losing to Pimley in three sets, 6-2, 6-2, 6-2. The match loss was the first ever for Brose in seven years of competition in the tournament, which used to be called the Sibley's.

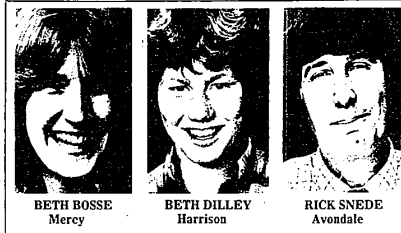
THE TOP-TWO seeds faced each other in the finals of the Men's Over 55 final. Defending champion Jim Tobin of Birmingham ousted Al Gross of West Bloomfield, 4-6, 6-3, 7-6.

In another interesting Over 55 match, Farmington Hills' Harry Goldberg beat Detroit's Lou Graves, 6-1, 1-6, 6-2. "Graves has always done well in this tournament," Karabel said. "It was kind of a surprise to see Goldberg beat him."

The four-day tournament started on Detroit Tennis and Squash Club's outdoor clay courts.



Erick Iskersky won the Men's Open flight at the Teen Man Tennis Tournament last weekend in Farmington Hills. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)



BETH BOSSE Mercy
BETH DILLEY Harrison
RICK SNEDE Avondale

Policy spreads thinclad honors

By TOM BAER

standout Jill Washburn was picked for three.

In past years, if a girl had the area's top performance in three or four individual track events, then she'd almost certainly be named to the first team in all those events on the Observer & Eccentric's All-Area team.

For example, Kathy Wilson, a former track standout at Bloomfield Hills Lahser, was picked for four individual events on the 1977 O & E team. On last year's squad, Rochester High

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All-Area girls' track

LONG JUMP — 1. Jean Tingley, Avondale; 2. Judy Severson, Troy Athens.

SHOT PUT — 1. Debbie Ross, Troy High; 2. Lois VanHouten, Bloomfield Hills Andover.

DISCUS — 1. Beth Bosse, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy; 2. Brenda Reed, Troy High.

HIGH JUMP — 1. Kathy Kaehler, Avondale; 2. Fran Kienle, Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

80-YARD RELAY — 1. Avondale (Kathy Krehler, Jean Tingley, Sandi Rohe, Paula Buckhaultler); 2. Troy High.

440-YARD RELAY — 1. Troy Athens (Judy Severson, Lamona Dorsey, Molly Acton, Julie Norris); 2. West Bloomfield.

MILE RELAY — 1. Rochester High (Michelle Dombroski, Erika Bauer, Aimee Landry, Gretchen Baker); 2. Bloomfield Hills Andover.

MILE RUN — 1. Aimee Landry, Rochester High; 2. Cindy Poly, West Bloomfield.

TWO-MILE RUN — 1. Karen Curtis, Rochester High; 2. Jill Young, Bloomfield Hills Andover.

880-YARD RUN — 1. Kathi Harris, Walled Lake Central; 2. Lauri Gregory, Rochester Adams.

100-YARD DASH — 1. Molly Acton, Troy Athens; 2. Angie Smith, Troy High.

220-YARD DASH — 1. Kori Clifford, Bloomfield Hills Andover; 2. Vivian McKenzie, West Bloomfield.

440-YARD DASH — 1. Sandi Rohe, Avondale; 2. Lisa McCall, Southfield High.

220-YARD HURDLES — 1. Beth Dilley, Farmington Harrison; 2. Mary Weehrer, Troy High.

110-YARD HURDLES — 1. Monique Ozinkowski, West Bloomfield; 2. Eileen Steward, Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

HONORABLE MENTION — Long Jump — Cary McGehee, Birmingham Seaholm; Julie Tadrzynski, Farmington High; Kandi Davis, Detroit Country Day School. Shot Put — Nancy Hughes, North Farmington; Ann Hadley, Birmingham Marian; Nicci Low, West Bloomfield; Kathy Carolin, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy; Sheri Dixon, Southfield High; Angel Zerwas, West Bloomfield. Discus — Penny McCann, Southfield; Carolin Cadwell, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy; Shawn Shepard, Avondale. High Jump — Kim Vandeneide, Avondale; Melissa Miller, Rochester Adams; Bridgete Dunn, Troy Athens; Lisa McIntosh, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy. Mile Run — Jeannie Barron, Bloomfield Hills Andover; Micha Sullivan, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy; Mary Reed, West Bloomfield; Anne Barber, Farmington High; Martha Schevers, Birmingham Marian. Two-Mile Run — Anna Bauer, Birmingham Seaholm; Karen Krull, Rochester Adams; Rocky Brown, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy; Janet Hughes, Troy Athens; Curran Sullivan, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy. 880-YARD RUN — Chris Looser, Farmington High; Barb Allen, West Bloomfield. 100-YARD DASH — Michelle Smith, Troy High; Larmona Dorsey, Troy Athens; Ann Hadley, Birmingham Marian; Linda Mazur, Bloomfield Hills Lahser. 220-YARD DASH — Sonya Howcott, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy. 440-YARD DASH — Linda Tremonti, Farmington Our Lady of Mercy; Jean Randolph, Rochester Adams; Kelly Andrews, Rochester Adams. 220-YARD HURDLES — Beth Olson, Bloomfield Hills Andover; Janet Hughes, Troy Athens; Karla Shepler, West Bloomfield; Holly Heisterkamp, Troy Athens. 110-YARD HURDLES — Kim Casey, Bloomfield Hills Lahser; Cindy Lockhart, Bloomfield Hills Andover.

Pitcher shines as Harrison '9' fails in tourney

By TOM BAER

It was an unusual game, that state Class B semifinal between Farmington Harrison and Flint Powers Monday afternoon at Lansing's Municipal Park.

Powers, the eventual Class B champion, capitalized on five walks in the first two innings to eliminate Harrison, 7-0. But what looked like a rout turned into a pitchers' duel thanks to the stopgap efforts of Harrison's Pete Tompson.

Mike Tetreault, Harrison's top pitcher, struggled with his control, walking five of the 12 batters he faced. Tompson switched from third base to the mound with the bases loaded and nobody out in the second inning.

Tompson, a senior, was lunched for two singles in that inning as Powers pushed its lead to 7-0. But then he breezed past the next 17 batters, striking out seven, five on swings.

"He's only pitched about six innings all year," said Harrison coach John Herrington of Tompson, who would have started the final game had Harrison won.

"He's basically just a fastball pitcher, but he really overpowered them after the second inning. I don't know what got into him. It was really something to watch."

Powers' Mike Morgan, a lefthander who entered the tourney with a 9-2 record, was the other end of the pitchers' duel. He tossed five-hit, striking out four and walking two.

"MORGAN WAS throwing the slow stuff," Herrington said. "There was a lot of off-spped and dropping stuff, and we were hitting over everything. That caused a lot of ground balls."

Harrison had several threats going after being put down in order in the first inning. The Hawks left seven men on base.

In the second, Harrison put runners on second and third with Bruce Morrison and Mike Kourtakis providing the singles. But Mark Alcantara grounded out to the third baseman to end the threat.

Tompson doubled and Morrison walked to start another rally in the fourth. But it died as Art Hanlon and Kourtakis grounded out. In the sixth, Morrison and Kourtakis cracked back-to-back singles with two away before Hanlon struck out.

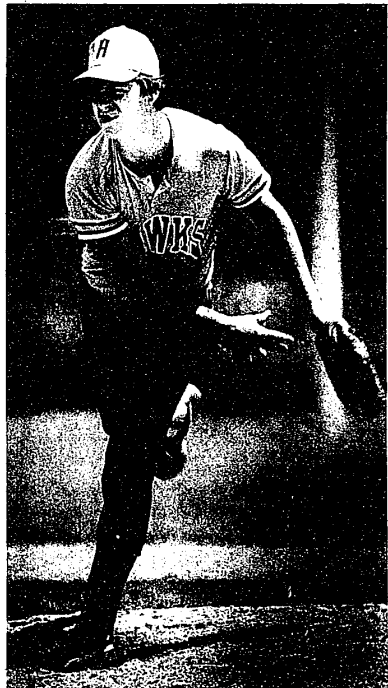
"I just can't believe we couldn't score," said Herrington, whose team had pushed across 66 runs in its six previous state tournament games.

Mike Matter, Powers' left fielder, drew a bases-loaded walk from Tetreault in the first inning and then greeted Tompson with a single to drive in two more runs in the second. Powers' Jim Morrissey also singled in the second.

With the loss, Harrison finished with a 14-14 record.

In the other semifinal, Mt. Pleasant surprised tournament favorite Wyoming Park, 5-3.

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Pete Tompson, Harrison's hero in defeat, pitches against Flint Powers in the Class B semifinal. (Staff photo by Randy Borst)

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