CAUGHT IN PICKOFF play at second base is Paul Portney, of Hubert Realty, during action in a game on the Thurston High field. Pitcher John Knechtges whirled around on the mound and found Portney well off the base and the throw to Shortstop Bob Wischer, of Village Rambler, was in time for the out. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)

Area Sports Car Drivers To Clash

The Sports Car Club of America's Midwest Regional Championships will be held Saturday and Sunday (June 28-29) at the Waterford Hills Sports Car Racing Club's 1-1/2 - mile course in Waterford. Saturday's races begin at 2 p.m. and Sunday's program gets underway at 12:15 p.m.

Eight 10-lap (15 miles) races will be held Saturday and nine events will make up Sunday's card. Six 10-lap races and three 15-lap (22.5 miles) events are scheduled for Sunday.

There are 20 classes of sports cars, ranging from the A-production speedsters, through the Formula cars, the sedan classes, down to the H-production models.

Drivers from Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Ontario will vie with Michigan pilots for official SCCA points and qualification for national events later in the summer. Some 150 entries have been filed and 200 competitors are expected by post time.

AMONG THE FAVORITES in the Midwest Regional Championships are Ken Nielson, Clawson, who came out of three years' retirement to set a track record in last month's "Spring Sprints" when he turned a 1:15.3 lap -- the equivalent of 68 miles per hour -- in his Formula B Merlyn over the twisting, up- and downhill Waterford layout.

Jim Clark, Garden City, who drove to a 67 miles per hour record in the Formula Ford class; John Greenwood, Pontiac, who posted a 63.2 miles per hour mark in an A-production Corvette; and Evan Walters, Ann Arbor, whose 62.5 miles per hour established a standard in D-production in his Lotus Super Seven, are early choices.

Farmington entries are Tom Abbott, driving a Formula Vee Bobsy; Larry Clingman, piloting an E-production Fiat 850 Spider; Doug Clingman in an MG-B E-production vehicle; Kryn Ihrman, in an A-modified Cobra; Ron Weaver, in an A-production Corvette; and Garret Van Camp in an E-production Porsche.

Plymouth has Beverly Schuldt in a Karman-Ghia in Sedan-1 class; Avery Green, driving a VW in Sedan-3; Doug Miller in an E-production Porsche; Joe McNamara, piloting an E-production Porsche; and Paul Prill, driving an F-production Sunbeam Alpine.

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TONY FRANCIOSI of Garden City has entered an F-production Alfa and a Sedan-3 class NSU.

Glen S. Lyall, Livonia, is entered in Formula Ford class in his Lotus 51; David C. Castagno, Farmington, will drive an E-production Porsche; and E. M. Sawusch, Plymouth, is entered in H-production with his Austin-Healey Sprite.

Legion 9 Can't Hold Margins

Close doesn't count. Nor do early leads.

Farmington's American Legion baseball team found it out last week while dropping three games in 18th District League play.

First there was a 7-6 loss to Madison Heights.

Then a doubleheader reversal against Walled Lake, 6-4 and 5-2.

Against Madison Heights, Farmington couldn't hang on to a three-run lead.

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IN THE FIRST Walled Lake game, Farmington scored three times in the first inning, but the advantage faded away.

In the nightcap, the teams went an extra inning before Farmington notched three runs to gain the verdict.

"This is what happens when you field a young team," said Manager Harry Kujawa of Farmington. "And that's what we have. We make a small mistake and it turns out to be a big one."

Farmington moved in front against Madison Heights, 6-3, by scoring in the third when Pat Hickey tripled and Jay Hazelroth singled and then by counting five times in the fourth.

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JOHN THOMAS started the big uprising with a single. Doug Vallassis also singled and Ross Patton walked to load the bases.

Frank Barber followed with a two-run double before Bob Theisen walked to reload the sacks. Then Hickey singled in two more runs and Mark Kujawa followed with another run-producing hit.

To start the twin bill with Walled Lake, Farmington scored three quickies when Pat Hickey walked, Hazelroth walked, Drapalski singled in two runs and Vallassis another marker.

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THEN IN the fifth Patton walked and Hickey and Dave McCoy followed with singles.

But it wasn't enough, as matters turned out.

Jim White hurled the distance in the nightcap for Farmington. Stan Kouris singled in Drapalski in the first and hits by Hickey, Kujawa and McCoy led to another run in the sixth before Walled Lake cashed three times in the eighth to emerge victorious.

Hazel Park Entries

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1969
First Post 3:30 p.m.
Weather Clear, Track Fast

1st—$3500, 4 furlongs
Chief Picks—Dash of Cayenne, Help Us Again, Likely Lad.

All Day	Bin Blue
Chem Weald	Help Us Again
Queen of the Suns	Indian Charge
Dash of Cayenne	Likely Lad
C Mare	Tinted Miss

Also eligible:

Like Now	Classic Brandy
Jr's Pal	Cinnamon Roll

2nd—$2700, 1 Mile
Chief Picks—Debonaire Lady, Allentuck, Tone Scale.

Run For Win	Debonaire Lady
Allentuck	Sunrise Joe
Tycho	Mash
Kenny Steed	Terrorist
Shesheld	Tone Scale

Also eligible:
Honey Note

3rd—$1500, 4 furlongs
Chief picks—Hoff's Puck, Wimberly, Keep Silent

Corley Date	Hoff's Puck
Gray Play	Reinstated
Mick Stirling	Wimberly
Keep Silent	Court Jury
May Be King	

4th—$1100, 6½ furlongs
Chief picks—Sly Bandit, Some Hairan, Bleached Desert

Some Hairan	Salvation
Prince Reuper	Bleached Desert
A-Delicious	A-Sly Bandit
Toche de Beaute	Shamrock Sue
A-M.H. Van Berg Entry	Stable Inc. Entry

5th—$3000, 6 furlongs
Chief Picks—Nego, Stedhead, Keith G

Win Jac	Motion Hour
Mat's Lady	Keith G.
Rang	Popadior
*Royal Merit	Archie Lee
Spanish Leather	Stedhead

Also eligible:

Nego	Blue Grass Maid

6th—$4500, 6 furlongs
Chief Picks—Ol' William, Hail Guy, Patrick J.

Ol' William	Al's Jo Jo
Hail Guy	Michigan Miss
Patrick J.	Mr. Gemini
Royal Hussar	Wine Factor
Hankie Sue	

7th—$1600, 6 furlongs
Chief Picks — Brave Beau, Tulran Swinging Eddie

A-Windy Wes	Brave Beau
Swinging Eddie	Tulran
Brilliant Dance	Mr. Cedar
Carlton Just Ice	A-Tom Carter
A-Katies Farm - El Dorado Farms, Entry	

8th—$4800, 6 furlongs
Chief Picks—Best Bet (Here's Stampede)—Jeanie Decathlan, Unit Wit.

Basestealer	A-Jeanie Decath.
Herek Stampede	B-Jr's Sis
A-O-So-Good	Welcome Bev
B-Confident Fut.	Metric Mile
A. Goody	Unit Wit
A-H.R. Wilson & D. Joslet, Entry	
B-R. Bohannon & A. De Luca Jr. Ent.	

9th—$2700, 1 Mile 1 fg
Chief Picks — New Crack, Roman Justice, Brief Wind.

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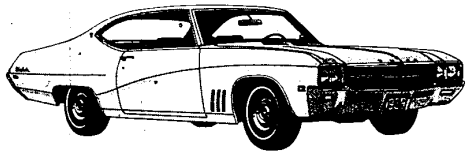
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