

Swim teams plunge through season

Farmington Glen Athletic Club continued to impress in its first season of competition in the upper division of the Northwest Suburban Swim League, downing league power Heart of the Hills, 296-288.

In posting the upset, Glen pulled even with Heart of the Hills, both with 2.1 dual meet records.

"It was an upset," Farmington coach Bob Smith said. "But a lot of our people have just returned from vacation, and many of them are missing. They'll probably be closer at the league meet in August. Still, it was a big win."

Glen had five double winners in the meet, which was held at Heart of the Hills pool. Alec Campbell was the most impressive swimmer, breaking team records in both of his individual events, the 11-12 boy's 50-meter free (28.1) and the 50-meter fly (32.2).

Other double winners for Farmington Glen were Jim Ulk in the 7-8

boy's 25-meter free and the 25-meter fly, Tom Peloni in the 9-10 boy's 50-meter free and 50-meter breast, Alicia Springer in the 9-10 girl's 50-meter free and 50-meter fly, and Jim Pogue in the 15-17 boy's 50-meter fly and 50-meter back.

Heart of the Hills had two double winners—Kathy Knul in the 15-17 girl's 100-meter I.M. and the 50-meter fly, and Sherry Fedak in the 11-12 girl's 50-meter back and the 13-14 50-meter fly.

Smith expects another close meet this Thursday, when Glen travels to Forest Hills. The meet will get underway at 6:30 p.m.

VILLAGE ATHLETIC CLUB vs. ORCHARD VALLEY

Village Athletic Club swam to its third consecutive dual meet victory in the lower division of the NSL, defeating Orchard Valley, 297-258.

The sister team of Sue and Lisa

MacMillan combined to break three team records, pacing the Village victory. Sue broke records in both of her individual events, the 15-17 girl's 100-meter I.M. (1:13.5) and the 50-meter fly (31.5). Lisa won the 13-14 girl's 100-meter I.M. in record time (1:13.3).

Other double winners for Village were, in 9-10-year-old competition, Kris MacMillan in the girl's 50-meter free (38.7) and 50-meter fly (42.6), Kris Morgan in the girl's 50-meter breast (48.3) and 50-meter back (45.6), and Mike Schuler in the boy's 50-meter breast (47.1) and 50-meter free (35.5).

In the 11-12 age bracket, Pam Saunders won the girl's 50-meter back (37.8) and the 100-meter I.M. (1:20.8). Phil Desantis was victorious in the boy's 50-meter free (35.0) and the 100-meter I.M. (1:28.5), and Doug Johnson won the boy's 50-meter breast (43.7) and also won the 13-14 50-meter breast (43.3).

Greg Hummon was the only double

winner in the 15-17 age group, capturing the boy's 50-meter breast (36.4) and the 100-meter I.M. (1:13.1).

Village will try to keep its winning streak alive in its next NSL dual meet Thursday night.

WOODBROOKE HILLS SWIM CLUB vs. BLOOMFIELD SURF SWIM CLUB

Bloomfield Surf handed Woodbrooke Hills its second NSL loss of the season, 217-265, in a meet held last Thursday at Woodbrooke Hills.

Woodbrooke had three double winners—Jason Wolf in the boy's 7-8 25-meter back (21.0) and 25-meter fly (20.4); Kathy Pierce in the girl's 9-10 50-meter fly (40.4) and 50-meter free (36.6); and Scott Stinson in the boy's 9-10 50-meter back (41.1) and 50-meter free (33.9).

Woodbrooke Hills will try for its second dual meet victory of the season next week, facing Cranbrook at Cranbrook.

Farmington, Southfield falter in American Legion baseball

Kevin Delp fired a no-hitter as Farmington downed Southfield, 3-2, in American Legion baseball action on Friday, June 29.

Delp walked three, struck out nine, and hit one man en route to the victory.

Farmington scored twice in the second inning as Mike Morak reached base on an error and Doug Christensen doubled him home. Billy Lehman then singled in Christensen to give Farmington a 2-0 lead.

Southfield scored in the fifth as Plait was hit by a pitch, stole second, and then scored on an error. They then tied the score in the seventh, as once again Plait reached base, this time on a walk. He then stole second for the second time, was sacrificed to third, and scored on a wild pitch.

But Farmington claimed the victory in the bottom half of the seventh as Lehman walked and Mark McDonald knocked him home.

In other Legion games, Farmington lost to league-leading Royal Oak, 5-4, in 11 innings, and dropped another close game to Troy-Birmingham, 3-2.

Farmington suffered its third setback in a week in legion play, losing to Chief Pontiac, 4-0, despite a strong pitching performance from Mark Kelly.

Kelly gave up just one hit and five walks, but they all came in the fifth

inning, when Pontiac scored all four of its runs. Doug Christensen had two hits in the loss.

Farmington took part in an Invitational Tournament held last weekend in Ypsilanti, winning two of the three games they played.

In their first contest, Steve Zerito hurled a three-hitter as they defeated Ypsilanti, 2-1. Tom Blake's single and Marty Bona's double scored one run for Farmington in the first.

The game winner came in the fifth. Bob Silverstein was safe on a fielder's choice, and both he and Christensen were safe when Ypsilanti attempted to throw out Silverstein on Christensen's grounder. With men on first and second and one out, the pitcher, Zerito, hit an apparent double play ball to the infield, but the Ypsilanti player threw the ball away and Silverstein scored the winning run.

Farmington lost its next game to Kalamazoo, 5-4. Delp was the starter and loser; Larry Mendicino pitched five scoreless innings in relief. Delp had three hits in the loss, and Mark McDonald contributed two safeties.

In its final tournament game against Coldwater, Farmington emerged victorious, winning 6-3. Craig Misch took the win as he struck out 11. Silverstein had three hits and two runs batted in, while Christensen knocked in three runs to help the cause.

Farmington's league record is now 3-3, while Southfield stands at 1-4.

Camp teaches more than basketball

By BRAD EMONS

The Bob Lanier-Dick Vitale All-Star Basketball Camp gives aspiring cage players more than a week-long lesson on the fundamentals of the game.

The camp, just finishing its first week at West Bloomfield High School, covers all angles for the participants who pay \$85 per week.

"One thing we try to do here is build character," Lanier said.

"We talk in rap sessions about the problems kids face in today's world," he said.

The program starts each day at 9 a.m. and is non-stop activity until 3:30 p.m. Youngsters have a short rest period and lunch break during the 6½-hour daily sessions.

A huge success, the All-Star camp was sold out some four months ago and has a waiting list. Many of the youngsters, ages eight-18, have made the camp an annual event.

"We admit approximately 150 kids for each one-week session," said Lanier, who started the camp five

years ago with Vitale. "I would say this is a first-class camp," said Lanier.

Lanier said he relates some of his own youthful childhood experiences to the campers.

"WE TRY to make this a positive experience and let the kids strive for a goal," said Lanier. "We've talked about everyday problems including peer pressure and drugs," said the strapping 6-11 center who is recovering from his fourth knee operation.

The campers are split into three divisions. The NBA division is for players 15-18. The next age group is the ABA division, campers 13-15 years old. The college division puts together the youngest campers, ages 13-and-under.

A typical camp day begins with the campers doing stretching, flexibility and running drills.

Next comes agility drills with all players passing through a series of stations, each with a different agility routine.

"We do this to develop basketball instinct," said the new Piston coach Vitale.

Players can be found jumping rope and working on defensive footwork in the agility routine.

The campers are then drilled on the fundamentals of basketball such as shooting the jumper, ballhandling, passing, rebounding, team defense and offense.

Campers are also treated to instructional movies and guest lectures.

On Thursday, Boston Celtic guard and former Piston great Dave Bing talked on the finer points of individual moves.

THIRD YEAR Piston front-court player Leon Douglas treated the campers to a morning question and answer session.

Some 15 counselors work at the West

Bloomfield camp including many well-known area coaches and players.

Among the teachers included is Class D state champion basketball coach Bob Shoemaker of Orchard Lake St. Mary's. Also on hand is Shoemaker's assistant, senior center, 6-8 Evaristo Perez, a transfer student from the Dominican Republic. Perez can also sharpen up his own skills at the camp by playing one-on-one duels with other counselors such as 6-11 Dan Palmer and 6-7 Larry Knight.

Palmer formally played at the University of Detroit and is now a professional in Europe. Knight made his presence known for the Loyola University Ramblers this past season as one of the leading rebounders in the country.

Other counselors at the camp include former West Bloomfield cage coach Al Dicken, and Laker assistants Mike Green and Pat McCloghan.

Along with Dicken, new Piston assistant coach Mike Brunner helps direct the camp.

In the afternoon, each division schedules games in which all campers play in actual full-court scrimmages.

Also part of the afternoon activities were toughness drills outside on the Lakers' home football field and track.

In an unusual drill, campers were asked to pair up and wrestle each other for approximately one minute with the losers running one lap around the track.

"THIS TEACHES kids that basketball is a tough sport and makes them aggressive," said Shoemaker talking about the drill.

"The harder the work, the more rewards," advised Shoemaker during the wrestling exhibition.

Each camper is given a tee-shirt to wear during the day-long sessions which say on the back: "Join us in Piston Paradise."

Campers are awarded prizes at the end of every day session for various achievements.

"We get a lot of repeaters," said Lanier. "In some of the kids you can see the development every day," he said.

Probably the most stirring lectures are ordered by none other than Vitale, the non-stop motivator.

"What ever career you decide to choose," said Vitale, "give it your best—a 120 per cent."

"You should be able to look at yourself each day in the mirror asking yourself: Have I given an honest effort?" said Vitale in a sample of his lecture to the campers.

"We try to be around as much as possible, Bob and I," said the Piston coach.

"At a lot of camps, the well-known athletes who sponsor the camps are never there," said Vitale.

"WHEN I SPEAK at a banquet, I'm not just there for five minutes. I make it an entire evening," Vitale said to the group.

"We also try to make this camp as fun as possible," he said.

On the final day of the week, campers can use the pool and other athletic facilities at West Bloomfield.

The camp has a diverse geographical participation with youngsters coming from the inner-city besides the suburbs.

"You learn a lot about life in a setting like this," said Vitale in one of his lectures.

"We're all people, all in the game of life," he said.

Basketball clinic

The Detroit Pistons, in conjunction with Pro Keds, will sponsor a series of basketball clinics this summer throughout the state. The announcement was made by Piston General Manager Bob Kaufman and Roger L. Magill, district manager for Unirex/Pro Keds.

The clinics, which will run through mid-August, will be coordinated by Detroit Pistons assistant coach Mike Brunner and Bob Sherwood of the Pro Keds basketball staff. Locally, the clinics will be held at Farmington Harrison High School on July 10 and Berkley High School on July 25.

The clinics will teach both boys and girls the fundamental basketball techniques and skills involved in shooting, ball handling and defensive play. The clinics are open to anyone wishing to participate.

"We are more than happy to have the Detroit Pistons involved with this program," Magill said. "I personally look forward to a long relationship with the Pistons to bring the best basketball fundamentals program to the fine people of Michigan." The clinic at Farmington Harrison High School will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Farmington Hills sets date for annual softball tourney

The Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department has announced it will sponsor the 10th annual Founders Festival Softball Tournament on July 28-30.

Games are to be played at Drake Park, Knights of Columbus field and other selected playing spots.

Entry fee for the tournament is \$65

per team and is due Friday, July 14. Teams may register at the Parks and Recreation office, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office is located at 31555 Eleven Mile in Farmington Hills.

A managers' meeting and tournament draw will be held Wednesday, July 19, at the Farmington Hills City Hall.

In The Pocket

By W.W. EDGAR

For the first time in several years, there has been a considerable drop in summer bowling. And the proprietors are at a loss to explain the reason.

In other years, there were any number of summer leagues in the evening and the women bowlers provided plenty of action in the morning.

Now, while the women are holding up their end, the evening leagues and summer open bowling have taken a terrific drop.

One of the proprietors trying to arrive at the reason claims that the industry has over-built in the last two years.

"It's just like it was 10 years ago, it seemed new establishments were going up on every corner. We will weather the storm, but it won't be easy."

Others, among them many of the bowlers, claim the reason for the drop is the fact that the proprietors are now

paying the price for demanding that the winter leagues run 36 to 38 weeks.

Whatever the reason, the action is slow. If it were not for the neighborhood women's leagues and the junior programs, many houses would consider closing for the summer.

Back in the days before air conditioning, bowling lanes closed for two months each summer.

WHEN THE NEW season starts in the fall, eyes will be focused on two houses—Eastland on the east side, and Beacon Recreation on the west side.

The reason?

Each of these houses will boast the new synthetic lanes—the latest thing on the market. The lanes will no longer be long board strips an inch wide. Instead, the lanes, from gutter to gutter, will be laid in eight foot sections. In appearance they will look like

the current lanes. But they will not require the conditioning that is now necessary. It is also expected that it will put an end to the curse of blocking the lanes.

With the new setup, it is claimed no bowlers, right- or left-handed, will have an edge and that scoring will not be more difficult.

Metropolitan Detroit always has been a great proving ground for the game's innovations and it will be interesting to see what happens when the local bowlers get the chance to try out the synthetic lanes.

BUZZ FAZIO, former captain of the Sr. team who has been idled by injuries sustained in an auto accident early in the year, will return to the lanes in a novel tournament at Las Vegas in September.

Champs crowned

Bill Rankin, Jr. fired a four-hitter as the Dodgers defeated the Cubs, 9-4, to win the South Farmington Pony A league championship.

Rankin struck out 14 Cubs in the game and helped his own cause by smacking a run-scoring triple. Sam Butala, Robert King and Milo Karhu, Jr. also contributed RBI hits.

The Dodgers reached the finals by beating the Cardinals, 12-4, behind the

pitching of Ron Raymond. The Cubs upset the regular season co-champs, the A's, 4-3. David Blackner was the winning pitcher.

The Dodgers won 10 of their last 12 games of the season to win the championship. Their final record was 14-6. Leading hitters on the team were Rankin (.426), King (.410), and Glen Perian (.348), while Rankin and Raymond paced the pitching staff.

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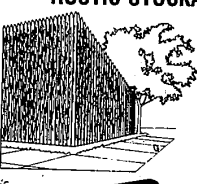
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