

CC will challenge for league lead . . . again

Catholic Central's football team should contend for Catholic league honors again this fall.

So what else is new? Coach Tom Mach and his Shamrocks are eagerly awaiting this year's opener Sept. 7 against Bloomfield Hills Andover. In fact, they can't wait.

Mach begins his fourth season as coach at CC with his usual array of talent. Five starters return on both offense and defense from last year's 7-2 team.

Four seniors anchor the potent CC attack — co-captains Mike Lewis, Dave Yudas, Jim Govan, and Pat Moug. All are highly regarded by Mach and other area coaches.

They'll lead the troops against perennial league contender Birmingham

Brother Rice, and challengers Redford Bishop Borgess and Harper Woods.

Mike Lewis, described by Mach as "the best," will start his third year as quarterback. With Jon English off to Michigan State, look for Lewis to be a leading candidate for all-Catholic honors. "He's a great runner, a great leader, and although we don't throw the ball much, a very good passer," says Mach.

Many backs may see action in CC's multiple offense. Both backfield positions are open. Seniors John Utter and Mike Renkiewicz, are battling for the starting fullback nod, while at tailback, it's a battle between senior Fred Hallway and junior Aaron Roberts.

Also unsettled are the ends, where

senior Jack Snyder and junior Jim Hardy are among the contenders.

Dave Yudas at guard and Pat Moug at tackle will be the bullwarks of a very capable line. Mach praised both as strongholds of the team.

Moug was all-league last year, while Yudas hauled down all-Catholic honors. Center Scott Dacus will also help. Dacus was a hurdler last spring, and the senior has unusually good speed and agility for a lineman.

"We always have a strong defense," says Mach. The Shamrocks will need it in the defense-oriented Catholic league. "We've had several shutouts in the past few years. Only Brother Rice and Ypsilanti have really scored on us," said Mach.

Yudas and Moug will be the

stalwarts of a formidable line. The Shamrocks aren't the biggest team around, but, as Mach says, "we have an awful lot of heart."

The linebacking situation is as yet unsettled. It appears that Rinkiewicz, who was hurt last year, will nail down one of the starting jobs. The other position is still up for grabs.

Lewis will be the main man in the defensive backfield. With him and monster back Jim Govan, the secondary is in capable hands. However, after that, the group is unproven, and the starting jobs are still up in the air.

The kicking game is set with John Utter handling the punting chores and senior Rick Micunek doing the placekicking.

"We like to say the same thing every year. We can win the league," says Mach.

But with games against Brother Rice at Pontiac's Winder Stadium, and powerhouses Flint Southwestern, Ypsilanti, Bishop Borgess and Notre Dame, CC will need to win and more. "With our schedule, we can just as easily be 3-3, as 3-0," said Mach.

Question marks against the Shamrocks? "We don't like to say," said Mach. "I'll let the other coaches find that out."

Perhaps the most impressive thing about CC is reflected by the praise coach Mach heaps on his team and coaching staff. "No team works as hard as ours, day in and day out. They're a great group of kids. We never have any major problems with any of them."



Pat Moug (left) and David Yudas will be key elements in Detroit Catholic Central's line this football season. (Photo by Karl Wellman)

Stingrays hold swim tryouts

The Michigan Stingray Swim Association has scheduled team registration and tryouts for Sept. 10-13 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Farmington Harrison High School pool.

The fall Stingray program will involve instruction for competition at all levels, beginning with Class C to Class AA, the most advanced category. Four groups for boys and girls of all ages will practice at Harrison and Farmington High School.

Doug McChellian will return for his second year as the Stingrays' head coach. Todd Knack will also return as an assistant coach. Rudel at 478-6896, or Joy Stinson at 681-1585.

Mandatory registration for old members will be Sept. 10-11. Registration and tryouts, to determine level of instruction, for new members is set for Sept. 12-13. Any youngster interested in swimming competently for the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) team should attend.

The Stingrays will host the first Class B-C meet of the indoor AAU season Oct. 27-28 in the new Oakland Com-

munity College-Orchard Ridge campus pool. In the past, the meet has been one of the biggest of the season and, according to OCC athletic officials, it will be the first competitive event in the new pool.

Harrison High School is at 29905 12 Mile in Farmington. For more information, call membership chairwoman Frieda Rudel at 478-6896 or Joy Stinson at 681-1585.

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Novi team sets swim tryouts

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All ages are welcome to tryout for the AAU team. Novi High School is located at Traft and Ten Mile Roads. For further details, call Joanne Wohlfeil (349-6832); Beverly Langkil (349-8338); Clara Porter (346-1200); or Manse Tian (464-1171).



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