

# Oakland University netters take GLIAC title

By DICK FOSTER

The Oakland University men's tennis team accomplished three firsts this season.

The Pioneers won their first Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title. In doing so, they went through their season with an undefeated record and were selected to participate in their first National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) tournament.

"It was a fantastic step to make it to the NCAA competition," said coach Lee Frederick. "We were one of only 12 teams invited to play in the tournament, which was held in Arkansas."

"The competition was extremely tough. The tournament fielded the top 64 singles players, and 32 doubles teams from 22 schools across the country."

Competing in the NCAA tourney were sophomore Al Krapf, Plymouth junior Ken Bloom, senior Terry Fuerst, and juniors Jim Fitzpatrick and Tom Simpson. There were four singles flights and two doubles events.

Oakland concluded its regular season with a 7-2 victory over the University of Illinois-Chicago Circle, then re-titled to Michigan to take its league title. Oakland took the league tournament, which was held on its own courts, with 24 points.

Arch-rival Wayne State was third with 19 points.

"Our biggest win this year was over Wayne State, which had never lost a conference match. They had won the tournament six years in a row up until we beat them. It feels good to beat them."

"Our overall record was 14-0, which was tremendous," said Frederick, who has coached the Oakland team for three years. "We beat three Division I teams — Central Michigan, Eastern Michigan and Northern Illinois."

THE REGULAR-season lineup was Krapf (number one singles), Bloom (number two singles), Mark Berke

(number three), Fuerst (number four) and Fitzpatrick (number five). Senior Rick Mims played number six singles.

The number one doubles team was composed of Krapf and Simpson, while Bloom and Fuerst competed at number two. The third doubles team was normally Berke and Fitzpatrick.

Frederick said the team is attempting to be more competitive each year.

"We played some very competitive teams this year and hope to do even better next season," said Frederick.

"We've been improving each year... going from last place four years ago to third in the league during my first year here."

"Last year, we were second, and first

this time around. We'd like to repeat that again next year."

Oakland started the season with a match against the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

"They gave us some tough competition, which got us off into our spring schedule in a warmer part of the country," said Frederick. "We usually start spring training indoors in early March."

"Actually, all the fellows are training year 'round with play beginning in January. A lot of the boys play at the Rochester Hills Racquet Club during the winter, usually three times a week for two hours."

"During the summer, they play in tournaments all over," he said.

Fredericks said most of the players are active in areas outside of tennis.

"All the players are excellent students, but we also have some very cosmopolitan people on our team," he said. "Krapf and Simpson are a couple of outstanding part-time comedians, and Fitzpatrick teaches blind skiers how to improve in his spare time."

"Many of the guys teach summer tennis clinics also," he said. "We've got a good mixture of boys who have really put our effort to improve the team in the short time we've been together."

## OU baseball squad manages 2nd-place finish

By DICK FOSTER

The Oakland University men's baseball team, which finished its regular season last week in Ohio, is already looking forward to next year.

The Pioneers finished with a 20-24 record and placed second in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference race.

"Even though we got off to a slow start, we had a pretty good year," said Pioneer coach Dirk Dieters. "We had eight games rained out, and we won nine of our last 12 games. I think it was a real fair season."

Oakland, which had a 35-18 overall record last year, finished the 1979 league season with an 11-5 mark, behind last year's 14-2 conference-winning performance.

Four Pioneer players made the all-conference baseball team. They included

senior Jay Lentz, junior Mark Belski, sophomore Donald McArthur and senior captain Dave Robinson.

Lentz finished the year with a .388 average, which included two home runs, two doubles and a triple.

Belski had a .350 batting average, with 50 hits in 140 times at the plate. He also had two home runs, 11 doubles and one triple.

McARTHUR, OAKLAND'S catcher, batted .321 with 35 hits, including six doubles and one triple.

Robinson ended the year at .295, hitting 19 home runs, two doubles and one triple. He had 38 hits.

"The team broke its record of 33 home runs by this season," Dieters said. "We also broke our single game record for homers, which was four, against Wayne State University in a doubleheader, getting five in the first game."

The Pioneers have traveled to Florida the last four years for spring training but are planning on going to Hawaii next year.

"The boys are involved in fund-raising projects — raffles and a concession stand at the Silverdome — so they can put together enough money for the trip," Dieters said.

Coach Dieters said 24 of 25 players went to Florida this year.

"We played a difficult schedule this year with losses to teams like Southern Alabama, the University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Bowling Green, who had more extensive programs," he said.

"GRAND VALLEY was tough to beat. Last year, we won the conference, but they got it back from us this time," Dieters said.

Belski said the team played more Division I teams than Division II teams this season.

"We're looking forward to next year because we've got some good people returning," he said.

The Pioneers will be losing two pitchers, one outfielder and their first baseman. The graduating seniors include Lentz, Robinson, and pitchers Tom Libby and Tim Seagraves.

"We'll need one or two pitchers, and probably one or two men in the outfield next year," said Dieters.

The starting lineup throughout most of this season was McArthur at catcher, Robinson, Dennis Kynch, Brian Lackey and Gary Mancini around the infield, and outfielders Belski, Rance Aguirre and Brian Cunningham.

The pitching corps was composed of Scott Gebbie, Jeff Trax, Dennis McQuade, Scott Simmons and Seagraves.

Lentz and Cunningham finished the year with 40 stolen bases between them. Lentz, the Pioneers' leadoff man,

finished with a career-high 22 stolen bases.

Dieters, who recently celebrated his 10th career-college win in only his

fourth season, is assisted by his son Dirk Jr. Dieters' career mark at OU is 104-88.

### FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

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Michael R. Shipice

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EMMA MAKINEN,  
Secretary of the Board of Education

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## Cranbrook netters nipped

By DENNIS O'CONNOR  
and BOB GROSS

In a battle of state-ranked tennis powers, Brother Rice, rated sixth in Class A, nipped second-ranked Class B Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook 4-3 in an emotionally-charged non-league battle Thursday at Cranbrook.

The match was tied at 3-3 until Rice's third-singles player, Carlos Moravec, edged Cranbrook's Brad Wayburn in a split set decision, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1.

"It's the first time we've beaten Cranbrook since I've been coaching at Don McKeeher."

"Rice and Cranbrook played such exciting tennis it left a lump in my throat," said Cranbrook coach Don Brown. "The kids handled themselves well. I wish everyone could have seen the match."

"I went home losing graciously. It was great tennis."

Both Rice and Cranbrook won their respective Class A and Class B regional last week and are expected to be dominant forces in the state meet this weekend in Midland.

Rice remains unbeaten in dual matches with a 13-0 record. Cranbrook is 9-3.

RICE - CRANBROOK  
First singles — Brian Keating (R) defeated Tom Elzer (C) 6-1, 6-2.

Second singles — Bill Straban (R) defeated Bill Holmes (C) 6-4, 7-5.  
Third singles — Carlos Moravec (R) defeated Brad Wayburn (C) 6-1, 6-4.

Fourth singles — Howard Wajda (C) defeated Tom Natchell (R) 6-1, 6-4.

First doubles — Dan Brumberg and Bill Nee (C) defeated Charlie Dunn and Terry Becker (R) 6-3, 6-2.

Second doubles — Chris Sherry and Peter DeLano (R) defeated Steve Jacobsen and Bruce Hendricks (C) 6-4, 6-2.

Third doubles — Steve Schwartz and Bob Anderson (C) defeated Billy and Chris Fure (R) 6-3, 6-2.

Bloomfield Hills Andover went to 14-0 in dual meet tennis competition last Monday with a 7-0 win over Royal Oak Kimball. Chip Bagley got things started for the Barons with a 6-0, 6-1 win in No. 1 singles and they never let up, breezing through the rest of the matches.

ANDOVER 7, KIMBALL 0  
First singles — Chip Bagley (A) defeated Tom Kayler (R) 6-0, 6-1.

Second singles — Bobby Hirsch (A) defeated Maher Roberts (R) 6-1, 6-0.

Third singles — Craig Hammond (A) defeated Dave Kiler (R) 6-1, 6-4.

Fourth singles — Dave Diles (A) defeated Steve Andrell (R) 6-1, 6-2.

First doubles — Pat O'Brien and Adam Kohnstien (A) defeated Bob Salscheder and Mike LaPere (R) 6-1, 7-6.

Second doubles — Jerry Lefano and Steve Ganes (A) defeated Jerry Andrell and Tim White (R) 4-6, 6-0, 6-4.

Third doubles — Kerry Tucker and Scott Allen (A) defeated Dave Marge and John Mallard (R) 4-6, 6-1.

CRANBROOK 6, COUNTRY DAY 1  
Cranbrook rolled to its ninth victory Tuesday, defeating a highly rated Class D Country Day team. Bill Holmes led the Cranbrook with a 6-0, 6-0 win in No. 2 singles.  
Cranbrook is 9-1 for the year.

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