

PGA will restrict Oakland Hills club members

By BOB GROSS

Members of Oakland Hills Country Club will be able to get into the PGA tournament for free.

And that's just about all they'll be able to do at Oakland Hills from July 23 through Aug. 5.

One room, the Mixed Grill, will be available to members and their guests during PGA week. The rest of the clubhouse is off-limits to club members, excepting those working as either commitmen or marshalls.

Members will, however, get two free passes for the weekend-long PGA tournament and one parking sticker.

Much of the space at Oakland Hills has been given over to the PGA — the Men's Grill, for example, has been as-

signed to the contestants and their families — or will be used for tournament headquarters.

But some of the rooms available at Oakland Hills will be rented to outside groups in an attempt, according to tournament director Bud Erickson, to recoup some of the expense of staging the tournament.

ABC, the network televising the PGA tournament, will have client hospitality rooms set up in the Blue Room at Oakland Hills Thursday through Sunday, and in the Gold Room Friday through Sunday. Xerox will hold a private party in the Gold Room on Thursday.

Erickson said that both ABC and Xerox are paying rent for the use of the two rooms, and that they both will get their food from Oakland Hills.

Erickson called the ABC hospitality rooms "traditional. Anytime any network is involved with anything — like the Super Bowl — the network that televises it will have hospitality rooms."

IN ADDITION to the Blue Room and the Gold Room, the pool will be closed and the poolhouse will become a lounge for the "Gold Sponsors." Erickson explained that the Gold Sponsors are "people who have contributed to the

championship by buying a \$5,000 package."

That \$5,000 contribution nets the Gold Sponsors a full-page, four-color ad in the 300-plus page Championship Annual; four Gold Sponsor admission badges and four Gold Sponsor guest badges; 60 clubhouse and grounds tickets; a Gold Sponsor blazer; an invitation for four to a Gold Sponsor cocktail party; a PGA championship gift; a golf outing at Oakland Hills (held Tuesday); and use of the poolhouse as a private Gold Sponsor lounge.

The brochure outlining the Gold Sponsor package says that it contains "approximately \$6,000 worth of tickets and other special features for the price of \$5,000 and it offers a very special way to entertain customers, clients and

friends during the championship."

Besides the restrictions on members necessitated by the ABC and Xerox hospitality rooms, and the Gold Sponsor lounge, members will find themselves saddled with other restrictions.

NO GUEST play will be allowed on the South Course beginning July 22. No member play will be allowed after July 27. Golf carts were prohibited from the course beginning July 18.

Erickson said prohibiting the golf carts was necessary to allow the course to "recover" for the tournament. He admitted this prohibition could cause some hardship for the club's older members, but said they could "still (Continued on page 4B)

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Yanks capture series—in NFWB league

Once again, it was the Yankees winning the World Series.

However, the stars of this Yankee squad weren't Reggie Jackson, Ron Gaudy, Thurman Munson or Craig Nettles. Instead, it was David Geraghty, Tom Giroux, Tom Myers and Mark Schwartz.

This Yankee squad was the American League representative in the North Farmington-West Bloomfield minor league World Series, which consisted of

one game. That contest was against the Giants of the National League, and the Yankees emerged as champs by pounding the Giants, 10-2, at Bond Field, in Farmington Hills, last Saturday.

Geraghty, the son of Yankee coach Dick Geraghty, provided the offensive spark early, singling in two runs in the first inning. The younger Geraghty brought home two more runs in the fifth frame with another base hit, and he also took to the pitching mound,

hurting the last three innings and striking out eight of the nine players he faced.

The Giants had advanced to the series on the strength of a 12-3 record, which included a win over the Expos of the Federal League to advance into the final's opposite the Yanks.

The Yanks, playing as the home team, jumped out to a 5-0 lead after one inning. With one out, Dave Sarafa walked, Tom Giroux doubled and Ger-

aghty singled both runners home. After a pop out to the infield, a pair of costly Giant errors allowed the Yanks to score another run, and left runners on second and third.

TOM MYERS FOLLOWED with a clutch base hit, scoring both and giving the Yanks an early lead.

The Giants struck back quickly, though, scoring a pair of runs in the top of the second. Kevin Saroki led off with a double, and one out later Andy Kraus lined a shot down the leftfield line for another two-bagger, scoring Saroki. After a strikeout, Kraus stole third and came home when the catcher's throw to third went into the outfield.

But those were the only two markers and the only two hits the Giants could muster against the tough pitching of Giroux and Geraghty. Giroux started and went the first three innings, allowing two runs (one unearned) on two hits and one walk while striking out two. Geraghty was untouched in his three innings, at one point fanning five in a row and striking out the side in the final inning.

The Yanks scored two more in the third on a single by Sarafa and a triple by Giroux, who then scored on a wild throw to the plate. In the fourth, the Yanks made it 8-2 on a one-out single by Myers and a double by Schwartz. The Yanks wrapped up the scoring in the fifth, as Matt May and Brian Satkoff both singled to start the inning. The runners moved up on a ground out and came home on a two-out single by Geraghty.

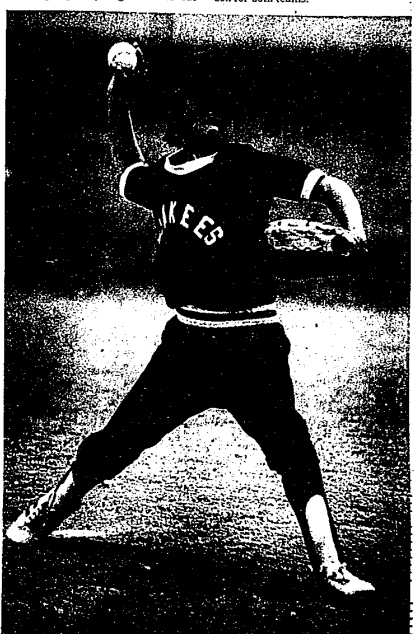
Chris Antone started for the Giants, with Mark Antone coming in the end third and Gerald Dalton in the fifth.

The Yanks finished the season with a 15-2 record and a championship but the Giants' coach, Sylvio Raymond, was far from disappointed with his team's performance.

"I want to thank them for being such a fine group of young men and out-

standing sportsmen throughout the 1979 baseball season," Raymond said afterwards.

The sentiment was echoed by the Yankee coaches, Geraghty and Bob Giroux, and summed up the entire season for both teams.



Dave Geraghty played a big part in the Yankee win, striking out eight on the mound and driving in four runs at the plate.



The Giant's Andrew Kraus (right) successfully steals third as the ball (far left) bounces away from the Yank-

ees' Mark Schwartz. Kraus scored on the play. (Photos by Jim Hollinshead)

Is it a game or is it a sport?

What is the difference between a sport and a game?

The question puzzled me, because I figured, being a sportswriter, I should know. But I didn't. What separated the competition involved in a game of Monopoly and the sport of baseball? Why was one a sport and the other a game?

The American Heritage Dictionary defined sport as "an active pastime or diversion," while saying that a game was "a way of amusing oneself, a pastime or diversion."

The only difference between the two was the word "active." So, with that definition to work with, I decided I had better start classifying sports and separating them from mere games.

But, even with that definition to work with, I found it difficult to decide what was considered active and what wasn't. I mean, some of the Monopoly games I've seen had more action than an entire World Series (especially when the player with the bad temper lost).

But, within the framework of the game and the way it's supposed to be played, activity is not necessary for a game of Monopoly. It's not necessary in bridge, backgammon or chess, either. But Sports Illustrated, one of the nation's most popular magazines, has featured coverage of all of these games.

BUT SPORTS ILLUSTRATED also devotes one cover a year to what the girls on the beaches will be wearing come summer. So I guess some of their ideas on what is sport is OK by me.

But there were two things that I came up with that I couldn't really classify as one or the other. Both did contain some amount of activity, but not a heckuva lot, barely more than a hot contest of Scrabble.

One was pool, in which the player chased a white ball around a 5x8-foot table with a stick. The other was bowling, in which the participant rolled up a 15-pound ball twice every five minutes and picked it down a narrow lane at some wooden pins.

I decided that there was only one way out of this dilemma — get out and witness these sports first hand, objectively viewing them with the one question in mind, and listening to arguments from anyone who cared to contribute as to whether these two deserved to be considered sports.

First, the bowling alley. I wandered in, taking note of players and equipment, with special interest in the amount of activity taking place. I walking from one end of the building to the other, staring intently and trying to take everything in.

I had been doing this for about half an hour when a middle-aged man chewing on a cigar, with gray hair, a red neck and face, and a bowling shirt that said "The Head Pin, for whatever you desire in bowling" printed on the back, stopped me.

"HEY, WHAT ARE you doin'?" he growled at me. "I don't like the way you've been walking around here with that stupid look on your face. What are you, some kinda pervert?"

I felt both embarrassed at someone commenting on the stupid expression I must have had on my face, and angered at being called a pervert. I could only think of one reply.

"Yeah, I'm a pervert. What's it to ya?" I yelled



back at the guy, whose potbelly hung well over his belt. I turned and walked a few steps, then turned around, half-expecting to see the man chasing me with his bowling ball.

Instead, he had stalked straight over to the manager's desk. He was talking to him and gesturing wildly in my general direction. The manager stepped from behind his desk and headed towards me, with the potbelled bowler following closely behind.

"OK, bub," the manager said. "Let's go. Outta here. We don't want your type in here."

I decided it might be wise to explain myself before I got thrown out. When I got to the part about the sport and game question, the bowler interrupted.

"What do ya mean, is bowling a sport? Of course it is. I mean, haven't ya ever watched 'Bowling Dollars'?" he asked me with wide eyes.

This guy was really starting to irritate me. "Of course I have," I answered. "But, that's a game show, right? So how can they have a sport on a game show?" I asked. The bowler seemed stumped for a moment, so I resumed my discussion with the manager.

I DIDN'T GET far when the bowler interrupted again. "You mean you don't think bowlin' is active? Look at me. I worked up a sweat, my face is red. It didn't get that way from lack of exercise. I'll tell you that," he shouted.

"You probably got your exercise the same place you got your red face — on trips to the bar for beer," I shot back.

I didn't stick around long enough for his answer. The manager suggested a quick exit while the bowler was still trying to decide if he had been insulted or not might be wise. I took his advice.

My trip to the pool hall didn't last nearly as long, but it was much more active. I entered a local establishment that had several pool tables and approached two young men with long greasy hair that were racking up a game on one of the tables.

"A game or a sport?" one of the players said to me when I asked him his opinion. "Hell, it isn't even much of a contest, da ya? I take these guys' money," he said, smiling.

Unfortunately, it was the wrong thing to say at the wrong time. His opponent was in no mood for wisecracks, not after losing a bundle in the previous games.

"Yeah? Well, you can use that money to buy yourself some new teeth," the opponent yelled, just

as he smacked the first player across the mouth with his pool cue.

In a matter of moments I found myself crawling towards the door as quickly as my knees would take me, while balls, cues, glasses and bottles flew around the room amid a great deal of yelling.

Once outside, I rushed to my car and headed back to the safety of my office. As I sat at my desk waiting for my breath and heart to catch up to me, I considered what I had found out.

And that was, I guess I really don't want to know the difference between a sport and a game THAT badly.

Friday is the deadline for the mini marathon

Get ready, runners and joggers.

The Farmington Founders' Festival is fast approaching, and runners have until Friday (July 20) to pre-register for the annual event.

The Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department will co-sponsor the event, to be held on Saturday, July 28. This year three races will be held.

The shortest is a 5,000-meter (3.1 miles) run, with 10,000-meter and 15,000-meter races to be held for the harder runners. Plaques will be awarded to the top six finishers in each

division of each race with patches and T-shirts presented to all finishers.

The fee is \$5 per person before July 20 and \$9 per person after that date. Races will begin at 8:30 p.m. on July 28 from the Masonic Temple, located at Grand River and Farmington Road.

Applications and further information can be obtained by contacting the Farmington YMCA, 28100 Farmington Road (553-4020), or the Parks and Recreation Department, 31555 Eleven Mile Road (474-6115).

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