

IN THE POCKET

By W.W. EDGAR

With an entry of 760 teams, which makes it one of the largest city association tournaments in the country, the Detroit Women's Association opened its annual title competition Saturday afternoon at Eastland Bowl.

While the entry is down a few teams from other years, Mrs. Agnes Ekstrom, DWBA president, is confident that the Detroit tournament may go back to the top of the list among women's event in the nation.

"We've been at the top and long have been recognized as the largest - and it may happen again this year," she stated while admitting she had no explanation for the drop. "The girls are getting like

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'M' Gridiron Star Enjoys New Role As Math Teacher

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No one would surmise that the soft spoken young fellow with the coal black hair, long sideburns and a gracious smile, taking his regular turn in the youth league he fired a 199 game in a 529 series.

Jim Weintraub also had a 199, but could get no higher than 482 for his series.

In the Junior High Girls circuit Shelly Rizzo was high with a 502 and Marsha Terry had a 207 in 462.

Among the adults Virginia Harris paced the Friday Noon Ladies Classic with a 603.

RALPH SHOOK, a 162 average bowler who has been figured at the pins for 24 years, earned membership in the "Tough Luck Club" at Merri-Bowl.

After rolling games of 171 and 173 in the Sunday Mixed League he posted 11 strikes in a row - only to leave up the No. 1 on the final ball for a 299 and 643 series.

His only satisfaction came in the fact that he now holds the high single game and series record for the league.

Wayne Murray was the big gun at Country Lanes when he came through games of 201, 263 and 181 for 650 to set high game and series marks for the house.

ON THE OTHER hand John Glazen converted the 7-10 at Garden Lanes and then put together games of 189, 278 and 198 for 665 in the Ford Service League.

ONLY ONE BOWLER broke the 700 barrier in the Garden Lanes Classic.

After games of 243 and 244 Immer Santti slipped to 224, but it was enough to give him a 711 and a big margin over his nearest rival, Paul Sterling, who posted a 657.

Other high scores included Dick Preston 637, Gordon Cantrell 645, Hal Baskin 640 and Harvey Wilson 640.

At Westland Jerry Holt earned the pacemaking role with a 680 that included a losing game of 263. John Ayotte had a 255 finisher for 679 and Ray Williams landed third with a 256 middle game in a 676 series.

GERRY MACH'S Flowers team with a 2999 count won the title in the City Women's Tournament that closed last week at Westland.

YOU CAN ADD the name of 10-year-old Jeff Dishong to the stars of 1971 after his showing in the Westland Junior League.

With a 138 average he posted a 240 game in a 523 series.



GRIDIRON TO CLASSROOM - Guy Murdoch, All Big-Ten center and co-captain of the 1971 Michigan football team, is finding real enjoyment in a new field -- instructing math at



Plymouth High School. It is part of his field work to qualify for a diploma in May. "Football was enjoyable," he claims, "but teaching is going to be interesting, too."

Trotters And Pacers Return To Wolverine

The trotters and pacers returned to Wolverine Raceway Thursday for the opening of the state's first major harness race meeting and one could say that the battle between the horses and the track wound up in a tie.

The LCE SCHUYLER took top honors again in the Ladies Classic at Livonia Lanes with a 559-75 - 634 that included a high single of 219-25 - 244.

In the other games Dorothy Thomas won the opener with 178-37 - 215 and Marce Bashor won the second with 200-20 - 220.

LITTLE JIM HAMLIN, 11-year-old son of the Fred Hamlin, proprietor of Farmington Lanes, sounded

Southfield Basketball

MEN'S BASKETBALL FINAL STANDINGS

Team	W	L
Lederle	11	1
Henry's Team	10	2
Antikorski	8	4
Dunleavy's	8	6
Bondie	5	6
Federal Mogul	5	6
CYA	4	7
Computer	3	7
Don Tool	3	7
Control Data	0	11
MCUL	0	11

RESULTS

Dunleavy's 74, Computer 64
Lederle 72, Henry's

BOY'S BASKETBALL DIVISION A

Team	W	L
Hawks	4	0
Bulls	4	0
Chatterbox	2	2
A-two's	1	6
Benson's Boys	0	6

RESULTS

Bulls 20, A-two's 10
Hawks 27, Benson's 12

DIVISION B

Team	W	L
Bucks	8	0
Celtics	5	3
Pistons	5	3
Lakers	4	4
Rockets	2	6
Titans	0	6

RESULTS

Pistons 22, Lakers 19 (OT)
Rockets 24, Titans 18
Bucks 28, Celtics 25

DIVISION C

Team	W	L
Sparks	8	0
Bulls	5	3
Warriors	2	6
Kings	1	7

stretch to win by lengths and lengths.

That was the pattern all of the evening and only once did the judges have to call for a photo of the finish. That came in the sixth when three pacers hit the wire at once and for a long time the crowd thought they had viewed one of the sport's rarities... a triple dead heat for first.

After a lengthy period the judges finally picked North Star as the winner with Ancestor second and Track Hawk third. The time was 2:33.4, fastest of the evening.

THE OPENING night crowd of 5,689 was a bit below expectations and the handle of \$36,105 short of the predictions but Vice President and General Manager Richard Wilson expressed satisfaction with both.

"We were happy that we could open as scheduled," he said. "The heavy rains of earlier in the week and the spring thaw turned the racing strip into a sea of mud. We

necessary to earn his diploma in May.

"I figured teaching would be enjoyable, but never as much as it has been in the few weeks I've been here. Now I'm looking forward to a career of teaching and coaching with a great deal of anticipation."

While pondering his future, Guy, who is a math major with a minor in physical education, couldn't help recalling the past three years as a member of the Wolverines who won two Western Conference titles and made two trips to the Rose Bowl.

As he looked back over this exciting experience, the six-foot-two, 215-pound center who played a major role in the success of the Wolverines

selected four games as those he will long remember.

"I'll never forget the day we beat Ohio State in 1969 to win the title," he confided. "That was one of the greatest days a fellow could have. Then, there was the victory over the Buckeyes last season."

"And, of course," he added, "who ever could forget the two frustrating experiences we had in the Rose Bowl."

"First, there was Coach Schembechler's heart attack on the morning of the 1970 game that shocked us and upset us mentally for the game. Then, last year, we just seemed unable to do anything right. It was so frustrating."

Mention of the game on last

Turf Tips, Quips

By Doc Minard

Are Detroit area tracks ready for winter racing?

That question has been asked numerous times during the past two weeks and as of right now there isn't an answer.

Hazel Park's operations were rubbed out for three days, Tuesday and Wednesday blacked out and races called off after one event on Monday, because of track conditions.

The heavy going and the fact that there were numerous holes caused the jockeys to refuse to accept mounts and management had no recourse other than to rework the track and get it into condition that would be acceptable to the riders.

The half-mile strip at Northville Downs appeared but smile on the final three nights, Northville Downs closed its second winter meeting Wednesday with business up 13.9 per cent over that of a year ago.

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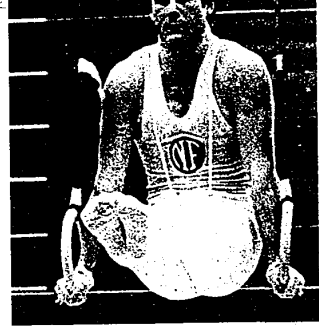
Indoor Golf At Westland

Pro Gary Whitener, of Livonia's Whispering Willows golf course, isn't scheduled to open for business until April 1 but he'll be a busy man long before that time.

Gary will handle an indoor golf school at Westland Center commencing Friday, March 24, and continuing through April 11.

The indoor school will include all fundamentals of the game and Whitener plans to divide it into two sessions on each of the four nights, March 24 and 28, April 4 and 11. The first will start at 7 and continue until 8:30 and the second from 8:30 to 10 p.m.

Registration may be made by calling the Westland Center office for additional details.



DON CHAPMAN - North Farmington's all around gymnast won All-State honors with the top individual effort at the state meet with a score of 26.15.