

RU One Victory Away From League Pennant

Redford Union high's baseball team needed one victory this week to assure at least a share in the Suburban Six League title.

Two triumphs would give Coach Bob Atkins' Townshipers outright possession of the flag.

As the circuit's pennant chase entered its final week of action, here's the way the teams stood:

Redford Union	6	2
Trenton	5	3
Belleville	4	4
Plymouth	4	4
Bentley	3	5
Allen Park	2	6

Redford Union broke even last week in a pair of shutouts. The Townshipers blanked Plymouth, 3-0, but fell to 1984 Co-Champ Trenton, 2-0.

Bentley also lost in a shutout to Trenton, 1-0, and then the Livonians suffered a 4-2 loss to Belleville. Plymouth rebounded from losing to Redford Union and knocked off Allen Park, 6-4.

Rick Barryman pitched a five-hitter to beat Plymouth's Marvin Sutton, who also allowed only five hits. Barryman fanned five to Sutton's four.

Two of RU's runs came on homers. Ernie Bourassa clouted one in the second inning and Jim Johnston followed suit in the seventh. A hit batsman and two errors accounted for RU's Co-Champ Trenton, 2-0.

RU's Rick Fisher suffered his first setback of the first inning. The leadoff hitter homered. Then a single and error made it 2-0 and the score remained unchanged the rest of the way.

The Townshipers wasted a triple by Bourassa in the first inning in the fifth. Fisher walked and Randy Matby singled with one out, but nothing happened.

Singles by Curt DeLoe and George Little with one out in the seventh also went down the drain for RU.

Dave Troutman turned in a six-hitter and fanned 11 in Plymouth's 6-4 decision over Allen Park.

The Rocks counted twice in the first inning when Kurt Irish, Mike Lockwood and Terry Cosgrove delivered base knocks after one Plymouth man had walked.

Three unearned runs helped Plymouth to its fifth. Troutman, Sutton and Lockwood came through with hits. Three errors produced the final Plymouth run in the seventh.

Hank Schoenback's fine pitching wasn't enough for Bentley to overcome Trenton. He allowed a triple and two singles for one run in the first inning and then stopped Trenton hitless and runless the rest of the way.

However, Bentley managed only two hits. John Plumley singled and went to second with none out in the fourth inning. He could advance no more.

Mike Dodson singled in the sixth but was nailed trying to stretch the blow into a double. Schoenback also started for Bentley against Belleville. The teams were tied at 2-2 after three innings thanks to John Kokochak's two-run homer for Bentley.

Belleville notched a pair of runs in the fifth inning and walked off the field a winner.

Inch Costs East Crown in Track

An inch sometimes can prove as big as a mile. Maybe even ten miles.

Just ask the Garden City East high track team.

Yarie Elde, East's great sprinter and broad jumper, was down to his final leap in the Mid-Wayne League championships at Inkster Robichaud.

Everything else in the meet had been concluded. If Elde could win the broad jump, East would win the title. Otherwise, the crown would go to Inkster Robichaud.

Elde came thundering down the approach. Up went his body.

He stretched his legs out to the fullest.

More than 200 fans crammed around the broad jump pit and watched as Elde crashed into the dirt.

There was a hush. The judges measured the distance. Elde was just three-quarters of an inch short of winning the event.

The meet was over with Robichaud the victor with 53½ points. East was second with 52 points. Then came Inkster with 41 points, Lutheran West with 25, Riverview with 14 and Taylor 11.

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UP AND OVER goes Dick Dechert, pole vaulter for Garden City East as he finishes second in the Mid-Wayne League track meet. East also was second, just missing out on the team title.

Observing Sports

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about her kids when we worked for the now departed Detroit Times.

I can't have to thank us. Neither does any other coach.

We always have deemed it a pleasure to write about youngsters. And when some of those you knew back when—like Milt Pappas, Dave DeBusschere, Terry Barr, Ron Kramer, Livonia's Bob Bruce and Ray Herbert, Bill Freeman, etc., ultimately make it to the majors, added thrills come your way . . . thrills and satisfaction that you could never describe in words, either written or spoken.

Make it a point to take in the Livonia Invitational baseball tournament which resumes Friday and Saturday evenings under the lights at Ford Field on Middlebelt Road.

You'll see some exciting baseball and also some first-class baseball. As one coach declared:

"I'll put our high school baseball in this area up against that played anywhere else in the State of Michigan."

If you haven't visited the Wolverine Raceway for the nightly harness races, we suggest that you make plans soon. Time is running out for the trotters over at Middlebelt and Schoolcraft roads.

As we have said before, you're in for a treat if you spend a night under the stars watching the horses. It doesn't have to be costly . . . unless you want it that way.

Trojans Divide Shutouts

Clarencville high's baseball team Burk's 42 then paced a 177-191 win over Garden City West. With Dave Bivins firing a 37 and Burke a 39, Franklin posted 161 to best out Dearborn (161) and Glenside (205) in another triangular encounter.

It may be true that time is money, but it's not so scarce.

The greatest trotting event of the year—that's the prediction of Wolverine Raceway officials for the 15th renewal of the traditional Remedy of the Manufacturers Trot Thursday.

The early claiming stake attracted a near record entry of 19 which boosted the purse to \$29,250, making it one of the richest in the long history.

The huge entry forced Racing Secretary Bill Conners to split it into two eliminations with 10 going in the first and nine in the second. The top five finishers in each came back for the championship final.

The M&M has been carried as the fourth, fifth and seventh events on the 10-race program.

The stake, which is the nation's oldest and the state's richest trotting event historically is the standout of the Wolverine season. It opens the track's rich stakes program which swings into the Grand Circuit next week, concluding with the \$10,000 added HTA on Friday, June 4.

Then comes the windup on June 10 in the renewal of the historic Motor City pace which is expected to have a total value of \$25,000.

Thursday's M&M will bring most of the nation's top drivers to the attention of harness racing enthusiasts.

From New York's bustling tracks comes Billy Haughton, the nation's leading money winner at the moment; Stan Dancer, who set an all-time high for winnings a year ago when he became the first to hit a million dollars; George Sholly, and Ned Bower.

Del Inske is checking in from Chicago along with Dick Sutton, Vic Dieckman and Billy Shuter.

Heading the cast is A.C.'s Nancy, from the Haughton stable, who won nine in a row during the recent Pompano Park meeting and is considered one of the fastest of the middle class trotters.

Dancer checked in with All Affaire, who shows a mark of 2:06.4 a year ago but is considered one of the most improved of his large public stable.

Sholly, a longtime favorite of local fans when he was one of the most popular drivers, will handle Infant Way (2:04.4) from the Gainesway Stable in Sherburne, N.Y.

Then there are: Lassie Song from the strong Clearview Stables in Winthrop, Me.; ABC Stables' Fashion Freight, who has been a consistent winner at Chicago this spring; Ned Bower's Short Stop; Del Cameron's Squire

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tion of spectators when he started his final game with six in a row, had a spare and then three more going out for a big 265 score.

Branton had games of 182, 263 and 266 for 631 and his partner clipped in with 154, 137 and 183 for 474 against her average of 147.

The Detroit duo of Ann Smith and Bob Livermore faltered a bit in the opening game and then zoomed back in the final two to wind up with 3318.

Ann, with a 172 average, had games of 179, 192 and 212 for 583 and Livermore, with a 176 average, had 181, 205 and 224 for 612. The 10th pin handicap netted them the 1317.

Bentley Hosts to 3 Meets

These are busy days on the Livonia Bentley high school track.

The Suburban Six League, which includes Bentley, Redford Union and Plymouth, held the preliminaries in its annual championship meet on Tuesday evening.

This Wednesday, the spotlight shifts to the Northwest Prep League final in which Birmingham Groves is highly favored to walk away with the title honors.

Thurston will challenge Groves in a good bet to finish no worse than third place.

The Suburban Six League finals are slated for Thursday. Beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Redford Union, unbeaten in the regular season, and Bentley rate as the top choices for the crown. Dual meet victories will help to count toward the overall league crown.

Comes Saturday, Bentley's track will host the third annual Claude Smarey Relays.

Teams from Bentley, Clarencville, Franklin, Plymouth, Redford Union, Thurston and Garden City East, along with Dearborn, Dearborn Edsel Ford and Wayne will make up the field for the carnival.

Action will begin at 5:30 p.m. There will be relays for every phase of competition, including the field events and the hurdles.

The events listed are the shot put, broad jump, pole vault and high jump relays, plus the 880-yard, four-mile, high hurdles, two-mile, low hurdles, 440-yard and one mile running relays.

The relays honor the memory of a former high school coach, great who devoted much of his life to the betterment of prep athletics in the Greater Detroit area.

In addition to the track action at Bentley, other major meets also are slated this week as the curtain drops on the 1983 season for the prep triathletes.

Farmington is vying this Wednesday in the Interlakes meet at Walled Lake while Garden City West bids for the Tri River league crown at Southgate.

On Thursday, Our Lady of Sorrows contests in the Catholic League's second division championships.

Rocks Cop Two In Golf Action

Plymouth high's golf team scored two victories last week.

The Rocks posted 172 to 170 for Redford Union and 181 for Bentley in a triangular meet at Western. Jeff Grunwald's 41 topped the victors while Dave Wall and Tom Janiecki had 43s.

The Rocks then outscored Thurston, 169-169 at Dearborn with Wall firing a 38 and Janiecki a 38. Low for Thurston was John Jakubick with a 40.

2 Area Caddies Win Scholarships

Two area caddies, Frederick Locke, 17, of 17526 Doris, Livonia and Fred Turek, 17, of 20449 Knoch, Redford Township, have been awarded Chick Evans scholarships to Michigan State University by the Golf Association of Michigan.

The two were among 29 winners announced Monday by George H. Webb, of Detroit, chairman of the Golf Association of Michigan caddie-scholarship committee.

They will be among more than 520 Evans scholars in college this fall, including 47 at Michigan State and 48 at the University of Michigan.

The famed amateur golfer Chick Evans conceived the caddie scholarship idea in 1930, and under the administration of the Western Golf Association in Ill., approximately 1,800 scholarships have been awarded.

Since the Golf Association of Michigan became affiliated with the program in 1958, it has awarded 364 scholarships. Each covers full tuition and housing and is renewable for four years.

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Locke is a senior at Bentley High School and Turek a senior at Redford Union High School and both will reside at the Evans Scholars Chapter House on the MSU campus when they enroll in September.

Sorrows Golfers Place 8th

SAGINAW—Farmington's Our Lady of Sorrows golf team placed eighth in the State Class C-D high school golf championship last Saturday.

The Sorrows' four-man entry totaled 361 strokes as Flint St. John repeated as state champs with 358. Richland High was second with 337.

David Sutton shot an 81 to pace the Sorrows team. Harry Lapham had an 87, Don Neipoh 95 and William Lavery 98.

The Sorrows team was coached by Dr. Joseph Gadbaw in reaching the state tourney proper for the first time in the school's history.

Volunteers Sought

Volunteer workers are being sought for the Muscular Dystrophy fund-raising drive's "Dystrophy's March Against Time" to be held June 8 from 6 to 9 p.m.

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