Free Press Playoff? Final Games Decide

Will there be a second-round playoff and an overall league playoff?

These were the big questions of the week concerning the Greater Livonia Detroit Free Press baseball league.

It was Dependable Hard Chrome from Redford Township which copped the first half title.

Now Redford and Dearborn are locked in a struggle as the second-half race is due to be completed this week.

The agenda calls for the first-half winner meeting the second-half king for the 1966 crown. If Redford's dependable reigns for a second time, there'll be no playoff.

Whoever ultimately takes the Greater Livonia honors will qualify to engage the Oakland County champs at Berkley starting on July 28 for the right to move on to the Free Press outstate finals at Ann Arbor, two weeks from Saturday.

At stake in Ann Arbor will be a trip to the nationals in Johnstown, Pa., and also a crack at the Detroit Free Press victors for the newspaper's state title.

Redford won once last week, beating the Cardinal Decorating team of Livonia, 3-1. Then Redford and Dearborn played to a 3-3 tie before darkness intervened.

The tie game will have to be made up.

Meantime, Garden City Sporting Goods lost a toughie to Dearborn Dad's Club, 6-5, but finished the week even by downing Cardinal Decorating, 7-4.

Garden City had to fight from behind against Cardinal after Cardinal went to front, 2-0, on a big hit by Bill McAlpine.

The Sporting Goods team got even in the second and quickly pulled ahead with a four-run uprising. Joe Huber drilled a two-run single that tied the count and Dan Bucsek followed with a double that pushed over two more scores.

Singles by Dave Ventura and Stan Wieckowski, a two-run double by Don Coute and a double by Ford Simpson finished the Garden City scoring in the third.

Bill Nye slugged a homer with a mate on in the fourth to account for the final two Cardinal tallies off Mike Donnelly, who pitched the route to pick up the decision.

Errors played havoc with Garden City against Dearborn and opened the gates for the Dad's Club to squeeze out a victory.

Ford Simpson and Norm Vasquez did their part with their bats for Garden City. Ford had three out-of-three, Norm three-for-four.

A three-hit pitching job by Rick Fisher carried Redford to a 3-1 win over Cardinal.

The Livonians scored in the first inning on an error, fielder's choice and single by Paul Deedler.

Redford bounced back with Claude McTaggert squeezing in Harry Kendrick to tie the score in the second. In the fifth, hits by Clyde Ziegler and Bob Holmes broke the deadlock and Terry Rothwell drove in Robby Mason with an insurance marker in the seventh.

Cardinal's Larry Sladek from Bentley hurled well enough to win on most occasions.

Jim Sproul of Redford locked horns with Norm Pels of Dearborn in the 3-3 standoff. Holmes' triple and Sproul's single gave Redford its first run.

Hits by McTaggert and Holmes, along with a walk and sacrifice accounted for the other two Redford tallies. Dearborn scored twice in the second and got even with a counter in the seventh.

In a Sunday game Garden City lost, 3-2, to Dearborn Dad's Club. Carl Stevens was the losing pitcher. Kamienicki and Ken Cartier knocked in the runs for the losers.

If either Armbrg Flight or Noble Victory, current rulers of world trotting, can break Greyhound's world trotting record of 1:55¾ for the mile this year they will reverse a trend of 54 years. Trotting geldings—Greyhound, Peter Manning, and Uhlan — have held the world record since 1912. The last mare to hold the record was Lou Dillon, first two-minute trotter, who held the mark from 1903 to 1912. The last trotting stallion to hold the record was Crescceus, who was the record holder from 1891 to 1903.

Area Teams Top Rival From Ohio

How good is the sandlot baseball played in the Greater Livonia area?

Pretty good, one would have to say after Redford Township and Garden City of the area's Free Press League engaged in a weekend series with a strong team from Zanesville, Ohio.

Redford split with Zanesville Saturday night, losing the first game, 6-3, before taking the nightcap, 3-1.

Then, on Sunday it was Garden City over Zanesville, 9-8, in nine innings.

Five of the Zanesville players are members of the varsity at Ohio State University. Three others played for Ohio University, a perennial power in college circles.

Rick Barryman and Mike Riley hurled the opening game of the series, as Zanesville came to Henry Ford Field in return for a similar visit to its home town by a Livonia-league team last year.

The Redford runs came when Harry Kendrick singled, Terry Rothwell doubled and moved around on two infield outs. Then Bob Holmes singled, Lou Banwert walked and two sacrifices got Holmes around.

Rick Fisher did the pitching in the second game, going against Mike Swain, an Ohio State pitcher. Both turned in four-hitters and each struck out 11 men.

Redford counted one run in the second inning when Banwert singled and Kendrick doubled.

In the third, Fisher walked, Holmes singled, Rothwell doubled and Barry Simescu singled to give Redford its final three runs.

Garden City and Zanesville staged a wild, scoring duel on Sunday.

A dramatic finish in the ninth inning pulled Garden City from behind after Zanesville had counted twice in the top half of the inning.

Joe Huber began the payoff rally for Garden City with a single. Ford Simpson was safe on an error, but was forced at second by Dave Ventura.

Al Kamienicki's second hit of the game chased in Huber and then the visitors' shortstop made two straight errors to permit Ventura and Kamienicki to tally with the tieing and winning runs, respectively.

Russ Wade and Mike Donnelly shared the pitching for the winners. Besides Kamienicki, Stan Wieckowski had two hits for the victors.

M Honors 13 Former Athletes

ANN ARBOR — Thirteen former Wolverine lettermen were among those who received advanced degrees from the University of Michigan this spring.

Three former football players received medical degrees, including a pair of teammates, Todd Grant, center in 1959-60-61 from Lathrup Village and Willard Stawski, a tackle from Caledonia. Stawski was president of his class through all four years of Medical School. The other gridder was Bill Stine, a letterman guard from Toledo, O., who played for Michigan in 1957-58-59.

Law degrees went to three others, John Dumont, Newton, N.J., captain of the 1963 swimming team; Tom Eveland, Livonia, basketball, 1961, and Eddie Hood, baseball captain in 1962.

Harry Huffaker of Grosse Pointe, who gained fame as a long distance swimmer since his days as a varsity tankman in 1961, received a degree as Doctor of Dental Surgery as well.

Ted Kelley, Dearborn, former Big Ten champion 880-yard runner in 1964, received his Master's Degree in Business Administration, along with George Skaff of Flint, who lettered on the baseball team in 1962-63.

Another former diamond letterman, pitcher Garabed Tadian, Highland Park, on the 1953-54 squads received a master's degree in Social Work along with Milt Robinson, New York, N.Y., a track letterman in 1957.

Other advanced degrees went to Ernst Soudek, Ann Arbor, star Wolverine discus thrower and member of the Austrian Olympic team and to former pole vaulting star, George Wade, Union, N.J.

Pistons Move To St. Clair For Training

After a one-year absence, the Detroit Pistons will return to St. Clair, Mich., in September to hold their training camp.

Arrangements have been completed by Pistons General Manager Edwin E. Coil for the team to practice at the St. Clair High School from Sept. 12-21.

"The situation and facilities are ideal in St. Clair for training a team," said Coil.

The Pistons trained at St. Clair in 1963 and 1964 before switching to suburban River Rouge High School last fall.

Player-Coach Dave DeBusschere of the Pistons, presently recuperating from an appendectomy, plans to take a squad of 16 to St. Claire.

DeBusschere, who will be assisted by Dennis Butcher, has announced he'll stage two-a-day drills, except on Sunday, while the team is at St. Clair.

BIG SMILES by these winners in the sub-midget division of the pass, punt and kick contest sponsored by the Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation. The trio includes: (from left) David Watkins, McKinley, third; Rick Kehm, Jefferson, second; and Tony Dattilio, Cleveland, first.

Observing Sports

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Huber of Garden City Sporting Goods turned in against Redford's Dependable Hard Chrome in a Detroit Free Press league.

This was the game Dependable won, 2-1, in perhaps the longest and most exciting sandlot game witnessed in these parts in a long time.

"I never saw anything like Joe's pitching," said Manager Chet Bucsek of Garden City.

"Do you know that when the game was over, Huber appeared just as fresh as when he started? And the game was played in 90-degree heat!"

Huber is a standout athlete from Garden City East High School. When he doesn't pitch, you'll find him playing elsewhere on the Sporting Goods Team. That's because he also is a cracker-jack of a hitter.

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Glad to get the news from Houston that Livonia's Bob Bruce is back pitching victories for the Astros. Bruce was out during the early going this season with a sore arm. Of late he has turned in a couple of nifty efforts for the surprising Astros.

A visitor to the area during the All-Star break was Livonia's Ray Herbert, who pitches for the Philadelphia Phillies. Ray hasn't had too much chance to work for the Phils this season.

Ring Card To Feature Lewis Boys At Cobo

The Lewis Boys — heavyweight Alvin (Blue) Lewis and welterweight Hedgemon Lewis — will be back in action at Cobo Arena next Monday night when the Sportsmen's Boxing Club stages its second club fight program.

Matchmaker Ray Scott, Detroit Pistons' captain and ace forward, needed no encouragement from outsiders to bring the two developing young stars back into action.

Both literally "stole the show" on July 11 before 2,000 fans who turned out to watch Scott's debut in the boxing game.

Al Lewis, a lean heavyweight with a punch rivaling the kick of a Missouri mule, dropped rugged Gene Hunt three times to score a knockout in 38 seconds of the second round.

Hedgemon Lewis, three times a national amateur champion, won an easy decision from Leroy Youngblood, a capable Pittsburgh scrapper.

Scott firmly believes the success of the new boxing club hinges on such fighters as the Lewis Boys. "They are real crowd pleasers," he said with a happy smile.

Scott has signed "Lucky" Spencer to meet Alvin Lewis this time. He is still seeking an opponent for Hedgemon, "but we have several in mind."

The eight round main event will feature Detroit's Willie Williams against Frank Joseph, a fast-punching New York light heavyweight.

Two other bouts have Larry Harris of Detroit opposing Doyle Baird of Pittsburgh in a four rounder and Tommy Clayton of Grand Rapids opposing Conrad Williams of Pittsburgh at 150 pounds.

Tickets, at $3, $2 and $1 are available at Cobo Arena boxoffice.

Select Squad To Try Out for All-Stars Team

Outstanding players from teams in the Redford Township Junior Athletic Association's Pony League have been nominated for All-Star consideration. Tryouts will be held next week and a squad of 15 will be selected to represent the RJAA in the Pony League tourney.

The boys are: Craig Mutch, Paul Sersen, Rick Livorine, Jeff Cominski, Bob Nadon, Dennis Keeney, Martin Welica, Kirk Taylor, Mike Bondie, Tim Carr, Tom Roy, Paul Heist.

John Silvi, Jerry Falat, Dale Litwinczuk, Jerry Cook, Randy Link, Paul Jones, Bill Simescu, Jim Wilson, Bob Packard, Scott Stacey, Ron Barringer and Steve Kregar.

The standings:

Royals	12	7	.632
Ravens	11	7	.611
Regents	11	8	.579
Rovers	11	8	.579
Ramblers	9	9	.500
Redbirds	8	11	.421
Robins	7	12	.368
Riders	6	12	.316

RESULTS

Ravens 13 Riders 6; Rovers 2, Royals 1; Regents 16, Robins 4; Regents 2, Riders 2; Royals 3, Ramblers 1; Redbirds 10, Rovers 3; Redbirds 7, Ramblers 1; Ravens 4, Robins 3; Robins 4, Riders 2; Redbirds 4, Royals 3; Rovers 5, Ramblers 4; Ravens 7, Regents 6.

HazelPark Lists Six Big Stakes

The thoroughbred meeting at the Hazel Park Race Track is rushing toward a climax with six outstanding major events listed for the last seven racing days of the season which ends Saturday, July 30.

The track will offer three big features on Saturday, July 23:

- The $25,000 added Hazel Park Handicap Trial for three-year-olds and up at a mile and a sixteenth.
- The $10,000 Mackinac Bridge Handicap for three-year-olds at a mile and a sixteenth.
- The $7,500 Hazel Park Gold Cup Trial for three-year-olds and up at a mile and seven-eighths.

The season will end on July 30 with one of the richest cards ever offered in Michigan. The highlights:

- The $30,000 added Hazel Park Handicap for three-year-olds and up at a mile and an eighth.
- The $10,000 Hazel Park Gold Cup for three-year-olds and up at two and one-sixteenth miles.
- The $15,000 Au Revoir Handicap for three-year-olds and up at six furlongs.

List Locations, Dates of Fairs

July will see the opening of Michigan's 1966 fair season, and from then until autumn changes color on the leaves, hundreds of thousands of citizens will attend fairs and exhibitions in various parts of the state.

The Upper Peninsula State Fair will be held Aug. 16-21 at Escanaba, and the big Michigan State Fair will be at Detroit from Aug. 26 to Sept. 5.

The fair season opened with the fair at Lake Odessa which was July 1-4, according to James Hall of the Michigan Department of Agriculture's County Fair Section. August is the month when most fairs are held, but there will be more than 75 during the season.

Fairs that have announced dates are:

Ann Arbor, Aug. 1-5; Cadillac, Holland, Monroe, Harrison, Mason and Caro, Aug. 1-6; Chatham, Aug. 4; Ravenna, Aug. 3-6; Adrian, Aug. 1-13; Alma, Aug. 8-9; Bad Axe, Cassopolis, Bay City, and Coldwater, Aug. 8-13; Ionia, Aug. 8-13; Grand Blanc, Aug. 8-13; Pontiac, Aug. 8-13; Gaylord, Ewart, and Goodrich, Aug. 10-13; Standish, Aug. 11-13; Belleville, Aug. 8-16; Iron River, Aug. 11-16; St. Johns, Aug. 15-17; Lowell, Aug. 15-19

Charlotte, Cheboygan, Corunna, and Midland, Aug. 15-20; Ironwood, Aug. 18-21; Manchester, Aug. 16-19; Plymouth, Aug. 16; Ludington, Fremont, Berrien Springs, and Sandusky, Aug. 16-20; Atlanta, Aug. 17-20; Armada, Aug. 17-21; Hudsonville, Aug. 22; Kalamazoo, Alpena, and Marshall, Aug. 23-27; Mt. Pleasant, Aug. 23-27; Petoskey, Aug. 22-28; Allenville, Aug. 26-30; Wayland, Aug. 26-27; Traverse City, Aug. 28-Sept. 2; Hart, Aug. 29-Sept. 3; Chelsea, Aug. 31-Sept. 3; Onekama, Aug. 30-Sept. 3

Norway, Sept. 1-3; Imlay City, Sept. 1-10; Kinross, Sept. 2-3; Saline, Sept. 7-10; Stalwart, Sept. 8-10; Saginaw, Sept. 11-17; Allegan, Sept. 12-15; Centreville, Sept. 19-24; Roger City, Sept. 24-2; Hillsdale, Sept. 25-Oct. 1; and Marquette, Oct. 13-15.

If Bret Hanover succeeds in breaking Adios Butler's world pacing record of 1:54 3/5 he will be the third of Adios to hold the record. Adios Harry paced in 1:55 in 1955 and Adios Butler set the current mark of 1:54 3/5 in 1960. Bret Hanover and Adios Harry now share the world race record at 1:55.

LIT to Offer GI Bill Courses

Lawrence Institute of Technology is planning for the attendance this Fall of at least 500 veterans who will receive educational benefits under the new GI Bill for those with service after the Korean War.

More than 350 applications already have been issued at the campus, according to William C. Burke, L.I.T. director of Veterans Affairs.

Eligible veterans may attend day or evening college and receive benefits ranging from $100 to $150 per month. Generally, a month's training is given for each month in active service up to 36 months.

Veterans should apply early enough this summer to allow plenty of time for processing of applications. Further information is available at the L.I.T. Office of Veterans Affairs on the South field campus, Ten Mile and Northwestern.

One Pitch Ruins Perfect Contest

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lion walked and Smalley tallied on an error.

Dan Camp from Plymouth High continued his sparkling mound work for the Plymouth Optimists against the Dearborn Dad's Club.

Dan gave up only three hits as he coasted to a 10-2 victory.

Hits by Dave Prochazka and John Adams helped the Optimists forge a three-run rally in the second. In the third, the Optimists scored five times with Ron Ross, Pat Williams and Jack Robertson bagging the hits.

Williams' clout knocked in two runs. He also singled with Rich Dyer and Mike Klinkhammer aboard in the fourth to chase in another pair of runs.

South Redford's Big Boy remained unbeaten in the National Division by coasting by the Livonia Angels, 10-1.

Tom Flesser, another young man with a great pitching record this summer, found matters pretty easy as his mates socked out a barrage of hits led by Reg Barringer and Paul Santangello with two each and Dan Harris with a lusty triple.

The Plymouth Elks wound up in a 4-4 tie with the Telegraph Raiders, but the Elks' manager Joe Bida lodged a protest — and won it.

Bida contended that the Telegraph team should have been made to forfeit the game when one of their players was ejected.

"They couldn't field nine men . . . and that's against the rules of baseball," argued Bida.

In the game Nick Domogray had two hits to lead the Elks.

McFarlane of Garden City clipped the Plymouth Elks, 6-1, behind the one-hit pitching of Bob Gamasche. The only Elks' run was scored when Russ Carlson tripled in brother Paul, who had walked.

Damanski and Simpson knocked in single runs for McFarlane after the bases had been loaded on walks. Then in the third three more walks again jammed the sacks after which Gamasche and Millinger came through with run-producing hits.

In two makeup games Saturday, Livonia teams came through with one-sided victories.

The Giants blitzed Northville, 17-1, as Chris Wendrick coasted along allowing three hits and fanning ten. Paul Hartge paced the slug fest with four-for-four, while Gary Birkett, Dave Stott, Al Wollman and Bill Hellstein each picked up a pair of safeties.

The Livonia Elks trimmed Dad's Club, 10-3, with Mark Dommer and Dave Paden sharing the pitching. Paden and Jim Gurney each unloaded three hits and Gurney collected four RBI's.

63 Get M Varsity Letters

ANN ARBOR — A total of 63 University of Michigan athletes in four spring sports — baseball, track, tennis and golf — earned varsity letters this past season, Athletic Director H. O. (Fritz) Crisler has announced.

Nineteen awards went to the baseball squad, third place winners in the Big Ten race.

Lettermen included were Al Bara, Ypsilanti; Jim Berline, Niles, O.; Andy Fisher, Adrian; Bob Gilhooley, Croton Falls, N.Y.; Joe Kerr, Manchester, Mass.; Jim Lyijynen, Detroit; Doug Nelson, Adrian; Nick Radakovic, Wyandotte; Bob Reed, Flint.

Dick Schryer, Plymouth; Chandler Simonds, Birmingham; Ted Sizemore, Detroit; Keith Spicer, Ann Arbor; Rick Sygar, Niles, O.; Les Tanona, Detroit; Mel Wakabayaski, Chatham, Ont.; Geoff Zahn, Toledo, O.; and Bill Zepp, Detroit.

Letters went to 28 trackmen on the squad that tied for third with Minnesota in the Big Ten title meet.

They include Ted Benedict, New Caanan, Con.; Willie Brown, Norfolk, Va.; George Canamare, Cedarhurst, N.Y.; Ken Coffin, Preston, Ont.; Dave Cooper, Far Rockaway, N.Y.; Jim Dennis, Birmingham, Bob Densham, Columbus, O.; Jim Dolan, Wallkill, N.Y.; Bob Donnelly, Maumee, O.; William Fox, Madisonville, Ky.; Bob Gerometta, Portage, Ind.

Nelson Graham, Mt. Morris; Fred Grove, Utica, Jack Harvey, Birmingham; Marion Hoey, Flint; Rick Hunt, Adrian; Brian Kelly, Galt, Ont.; Clive Laidley, Kingston, Jamaica, W.I.; Dave Legacki, Philadelphia; Steve Leuchtman, Birmingham; Alex McDonald, Kingston, Jamaica, W.I.; Jim Mercer, Pontiac; Elmo Morales, New York, N.Y.; Cecil Norde, Stratford, Conn.; Bob Thomas, Madisonville, Ky.; Carl Ward, Cincinnati, O.; Roy Woodton, Union, N.Y.; and Dan Ziskie, Hamtramck.

Eight members of the squad that won the Big Ten championship tennis championship were: Rom Burns, Grosse Point; Bill Dixon, Ann Arbor; Karl Hedrick, Freeport, N.Y.; Bob Pritula, Detroit; Jerry Stewart, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Jim Swift, Detroit; Don Teegaurden, Los Angeles, Calif.; and Ed Waits, Jackson.

Lettermen from the golf squad that was runner-up in the Big Ten championship were: Bob Barclay, Melrose, Mass.; Jim Evashevski, Iowa City, Ia.; Dave Graff, Ann Arbor; Frank Groves, Orchard Lake; Bill Newton, Ann Arbor; John Richart, Ann Arbor; John Schroeder, LaJolla, Calif.; and Charles West of Birmingham.

Collection Hours Set

Farmington Township has a new ordinance on the books which permits rubbish collection only between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. The Township Board approved the ordinance at its regular meeting last week.

The down to earth "bicycle" sulky will be celebrating its 75th anniversary next year. It achieved instant popularity when Nancy Hanks, a 6-year-old bay mare, chopped the trotting record down to 2:04 for a mile, Sept. 6, 1892, at Terre Haute, Ind.

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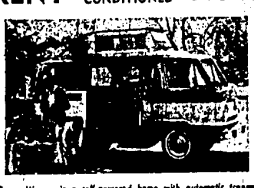

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