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All signs point to a successful Hazel Park harness racing meeting after an opener (Wednesday) that attracted 7,239 with a net handle of \$556,354.

Inasmuch as Northville Downs never reached the \$500,000 plateau during its 36 night summer meeting which ended Tuesday, it appears that business is picking up again and Hazel Park may reach the high standards set by Wolverine Raceway earlier in the year.

SATURDAY'S all-pacing program features a \$6,200 preferred and an \$8,500 open invitational.

The invitational could bring the first under 2:00 clocking of the meeting since the field of eight lists several performers who are capable of that kind of speed.

Spring's Pride, pacing champion at Northville with two sub-2:00 miles at Wolverine, has to be considered the early choice. But there's plenty of speed in Local Time, Gaviland, Mamie's Knight, Perley Hanover, Shiway Lad, Taran Hanover and Yankee Creed.

Apropos, the three year old with the second fastest mile at Wolverine, steps into the spotlight in the preferred against eight challengers.

Facing the fleet star of the Chris Boring stable are: Ohio B Lee, Trenchcut, Tricky Dale, Argo Time, Dave Butler, Michigan Mack and Esmond Hanover.

ON THE OTHER side of town, the Detroit Racing Association swings into its first week with high hopes of bettering attendance and wagering marks for the same days a year ago.

Particularly are officials interested in the figures for the first Saturday. A year ago on the opening Saturday, a crowd of 13,990 poured \$1,264,093 through the machines.

The track management isn't saying much but it would be very happy to have more than 16,000 in the stands with the handle soaring over \$1,500,000.

The track has a good chance despite the rough conditions on the Schoolcraft and Middle Belt Roads.

Those planning to go to the DRC should consider using the Schoolcraft and Inkster entrances and save a lot of headaches.

THE PACERS and trotters ended the summer meeting at Northville Downs with the only plus that it bettered the wagering and attendance records of Windsor Raceway in the head-on battle for the greater share of the betting dollar.

That may be some consolation to Racing Commissioner Leo Shirley, who predicted Michigan competition would make things miserable for the Canadian operation, but the fact is that Northville ended the 36 night session with betting and turnstile figures far below those of a year ago.

This was apparent midway through the meeting when the track opened on weekends never passed the \$500,000 mark. A year ago the 'Downs had an all-time high of \$608,000, and was well over a half-million on numerous occasions.

Final figures released after Tuesday's final program show the track handled a total of \$12,956,291 for a nightly average of \$359,897. This represents a drop of 12 percent from the \$417,584 last year.

Named as presiding judge is Bruce Stewart of Flint, who is known as a strict official with a deep understanding of harness racing's rules and racing situations.

The state steward will be Frank Meharg, of Yale, and completing the group in the judges' stand is Frank Utter, of Fowlerville, who served as presiding judge at the Northville meeting.

Roger Anderson returns for his eighth year as starter and Tom Smith, one of the youngest directors of racing in the sport, will return as race secretary. He will be assisted by Phil Mauer who also will handle the announcing duties.

WITH THE Hambletonian classic, for three year old trotters, coming up late in August and the Little Brown Jug, for three year old pacers, slated for the third week in September in Delaware, O., top contenders for each performed in stunning fashion last week.

The top pacers tangled at Yonkers Raceway in the Best Of All stake and Silent Majority, as expected, won the first division in 2:01.3. Then Strike Out, returning to his best form, took the second in 2:02.9.

Among the trotting eligibles, Super Bown won both heats of the Founders Gold Cup at Vernon Downs in 2:31 and 1:58.3.

However, a pair of fillies, Romalie Hanover and Delmonica Hanover stole the show. Romalie Hanover paced the 1:57.3, fastest ever for a filly in a five-furlong mile oval.

Delmonica Hanover was clocked in 2:00.1 a few nights earlier for the fastest mile ever by a three year old filly on the same oval. The filly trotter is eligible for the Hambletonian and may be the only one of her sex in the big event.

Call Is Out For Grid Coaches

The call is out for interested grid mentors to join the Michigan High School Football Coaches Assn.

North Farmington football coach and Oakland County Regional Director Ron Holland reports that the four-month old association has already drawn 400 members.

Drivettell football coach at Jackson Parkside High School, is president of the association, which sports 18 regional directors.

At the recently held meeting in Traverse City, the association decided upon a Jan. 26-27 football clinic for coaches on the high school and junior high level.

It was also determined that a "coach of the year" will be selected in each class at the Dec. 1 meeting at Central Michigan University.

Anyone interested in joining the Coaches Association should contact Ron Holland at North Farmington High.

Northville Open

SOFTBALL STANDINGS

LIVONIA	6	1
TOWNSHIP	4	3
FARMINGTON LMS	4	3
NORTHVILLE	2	5
WALDO LAKE	2	5
SOUTH LYON	2	5

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Walled Lake vs. Northville, 8:30 p.m.
South Lyon vs. Northville, 8:45 p.m.
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It's A Suburban 8 Clash In Recreation Tourney

It will be a Suburban Eight baseball clash in disguise when Redford Warholak goes against Crowe Saturday night at Ford Field, at 8:30 a.m., for the right to go into Michigan Recreation State Tournament.

The Warholak squad (Redford Union) coached by Bob Atkins based an overall mark of 16-2 while Crowe (Bentley High), coached by Joe Berg stands at 12-4. Both teams finished out of the running in the Mack championship race but now have a shot at post-season play.

The winner moves into state recreation play for the first time dropping into an Inter-Cities Tournament.

Redford crushed Hines Park, 5-1, and blitzed Fancher's, 9-4, to win the right to meet Crowe.

GARY FULKS went the distance for Redford, allowed

eight hits, walked four and struck out six in recording his fifth win against one setback.

Nelson Cady and Terry McElroy worked for Fancher's with starter Cady suffering the loss. Redford collected only five hits off the Stevenson High hurlers but capitalized on five walks and Fancher errors.

Fancher's opened with three in the first when Mark Temby singled, Mark Keifer and Temby dashed around on an error. Bob Ganzak walked and Mark Tressler singled in Kiefer. A passed ball and wild pitch scored Ganzak with the third tally.

REDFORD NOTCHED it at three-three in the bottom of the second. Glenn Richmond walked, Mark Yurchock singled with a passed ball advancing both runners. Mike Kalil was safe on an error while the first baseman

throwing the ball into left field and it was a new game at 3-3.

Redford punched out three in the last of the third to take a 6-3 lead. With two outs, Richmond was safe on an error. Yurchock singled and Lope Bravo singled in Richmond. A balk moved the runners on with Bob Fitzke safe on an error to score two.

Atkin's crew made it 8-3 in the fourth when Steve Friedman and Mike Johnston drew walks and Richmond connected for a three-bagger.

A walk to R.J. LeFoux and two base error finished the Redford attack with Fancher's adding one in the sixth. McElroy singled, moved to second on an error, third on an out and scored on a Cady sacrifice.

CROWE SHUT OUT Thurston in the first round, 4-0, and overpowered Red Holman, 10-0, to move into the Mack finale.

Kearney was hit by a pitch. Wornik was safe on an error. Hernandez walked, and Wasilewski and Boegler followed with doubles.

If You Seek Historic Buildings, Look Around

Michigan has nearly a hundred buildings including Botsford Inn which deserve more than the casual glances by them from persons who pass them every day, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

They are houses, public buildings, churches and other structures which have unusual historical significance, given this honor by the National Park Service's Historic American Buildings Survey, working with the American Institute of Architects and the Library of Congress.

The Michigan Historical Commission also has tagged many of the same buildings for its own list.

The largest concentration of historical buildings is in Washtenaw, Calhoun, Kent, Eaton and Wayne Counties. Some are privately owned and not open to the public. Others are open by appointment or have regular seasonal hours.

NUMBER ONE on everybody's list is the 19-year-old state capitol at Lansing. One of the state's top tourist attractions. The architect, Elijah E. Myers, also designed the state capitol of Colorado, Idaho and Texas.

Also in the Lansing area, midway between East Lansing and Williamston on Meridian Road, is St. Katherine's Chapel, built in 1887 for John Harris Foster, a dairy farmer, who presented it to the Protestant Episcopal Church.

In 1955, Detroit's picturesque Mariners' Church was saved from demolition by being moved and restored. Built in 1849 for the sailors on the Great Lakes, it is one of Detroit's revered landmarks.

Formerly located on the short of Woodward Avenue, a few blocks east of the Detroit River, its new site is a five block east on Jefferson Avenue.

Detroit has four other churches on the HABS list, the oldest built in 1844-48.

Old Fort Wayne on W. Jefferson Avenue in Detroit, built in 1845-48 when border tension with Canada ran high, was the last of the great redoubts built in Michigan. Its guns were never fired at an enemy. The fort, including barracks, powder magazine and sally port, are now maintained by the Detroit Historical Commission.

Only railroad station on the list is the Michigan Central or Penn Central depot in Battle Creek, built in 1887-88. It is a brick and stone structure with tower, hip roof, wide-arched door-ways and porch. Presidents William McKinley and William Howard Taft spoke to crowds gathered there.

MARSHALL, the Calhoun county seat, is almost in a class by itself in historic and unique homes. It has some 61 examples of mid-19th century architecture, some of the finest in Michigan.

The HABS lists seven residences, all except the 1860 Grand Hotel.

TOP TRAVEL experiences in MICHIGAN

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Honolulu house still private homes. The Honolulu House, now headquarters for the Marshall Historical Society, was built by Abner Pratt, a justice of the Michigan Supreme Court and U.S. consul to Hawaii who reportedly modeled it after a house he occupied in Hawaii.

Two inns are recognized. Botsford Inn at Farmington is the oldest in Michigan still providing food and lodging. The original portion was built in 1835. Henry Ford purchased the property in 1924 and restored it, retaining ownership until 1951.

At the intersection of US-12 and US-60 at the western edge of the Irish Hills is the Walker Tavern, a stagecoach inn which dates from 1830.

The Eaton County courthouse at Charlotte is the only Michigan courthouse to make the list, but others are under consideration.

MACKINAC ISLAND is given major representation. First are restored buildings of the American Fur Co., consisting of the "agency" or Robert Stuart House and the fur warehouse, the Edward Biddle House, probably the oldest house on the island; Fort Mackinac, with its blockhouses, guardhouse, officers' stone quarters, officers' ward quarters, post headquarters, post hospital and ramparts and sally port; the Mission Church; the 1887 Grand Hotel.

Shapiro Supports Busing

Democratic candidate for the 2nd Congressional district nomination Walter Shapiro expressed support for cross-district busing of school children as "one means of working toward the goal of a society which is fully integrated racially and, more importantly, economically."

"I support the concept of neighborhood schools," Shapiro said in a forum in Ypsilanti Township hall, "but only when the neighborhoods themselves are integrated, racially and economically."

"Until then, busing must be accepted as a necessary, but awkward, tool for moving society in that direction."

Economic segregation in housing patterns is preventing integration of neighborhoods, he said.

"In cities like Livonia, for instance, zoning laws have been used to discourage any apartment construction," he said. "Whether you are or are not white, you must be able to afford a down payment on a house if you wish to move into the community. That's economic discrimination against the poor. Because many blacks are also poor, it often becomes racial discrimination, as well."

"To alleviate this problem I would support legislation such as the Ribicoff Amendment.

This would threaten to cut off federal funds for all those installations located in communities which fail to provide adequate housing for all those who work there."

Searchlight, Alliance Favor Mill

Two non-partisan, good government organizations - Civic Searchlight, Inc. and the Urban Alliance - are among the organizations which have endorsed Wayne County proposition B in the Aug. 8 primary.

Proposition B would extend for five years an existing one-million valued property relief which is due to expire on Nov. 30, 1974. One mill equals \$1 per \$100 of equalized valuation.

OTHER organizations which have endorsed the proposition include United Community Services, the Metropolitan Detroit AFL - CIO - COPE, the United Auto Workers Union - CAP, the Teamsters Union - DRIVE, the Metropolitan Detroit Building Trades Council.

The levy produces \$13 million annually to help support general county services.