

Area Prep Swim Ratings

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| 200 MEDLEY RELAY | 1-HARRISON | 1:48.7 |
| 2-CHURCHILL | 1:50.6 | |
| 3-CLARK | 1:51.0 | |
| 4-CLARKVILLE | 1:52.0 | |
| 5-PLYMOUTH | 1:53.0 | |
| 6-FAIRMINGTON | 1:54.2 | |
| 7-JOHN GLENN | 1:55.2 | |
| 300 FREESTYLE | 1-MIKE RADO | 4:48.7 |
| 2-TOM BRID | 4:51.8 | |
| 3-PAUL MCKEEVY | 4:53.0 | |
| 4-DAVE BALNAVE | 4:54.8 | |
| 5-BRAD KENNY | 4:56.8 | |
| 6-CHUCK KIRCHKE | 4:58.8 | |
| 7-DALLS SWEZINE | 4:59.8 | |
| 8-CHUCK KIRCHKE | 5:00.8 | |
| 9-CHUCK HAWTHORNE | 5:02.0 | |
| 10-BOB PALPEZ | 5:03.0 | |
| 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY | 1-KEN DOVE | 2:05.5 |
| 2-DAVE BALNAVE | 2:10.0 | |
| 3-TODD DOLAN | 2:14.7 | |
| 4-JEFF HORNACK | 2:14.8 | |
| 5-MARK BLANCHARD | 2:14.9 | |
| 6-CHARLIE TIGHE | 2:15.0 | |
| 7-CHRIS HOEHNER | 2:15.1 | |
| 8-CHARLIE TIGHE | 2:15.2 | |
| 9-CHUCK KIRCHKE | 2:15.3 | |
| 10-STEVE RACK | 2:15.4 | |
| 50 FREESTYLE | 1-DALE SWEZINE | 1:23.0 |
| 2-JORDAN HATCH | 1:23.5 | |
| 3-DAVE BALNAVE | 1:24.0 | |
| 4-FRANK FITZ | 1:24.5 | |
| 5-JEFF HORNACK | 1:25.0 | |
| 6-GEORGE HONORAK | 1:25.5 | |
| 7-MARK DUNN | 1:26.0 | |
| 8-BRAD KENNY | 1:26.5 | |
| 9-AL THURM | 1:27.0 | |
| 100 BUTTERFLY | 1-MIKE RADO | 3:55.5 |
| 2-TOM BRID | 3:56.5 | |
| 3-PAUL MCKEEVY | 3:57.5 | |
| 4-DAVE BALNAVE | 3:58.5 | |
| 5-BRAD KENNY | 3:59.5 | |
| 6-CHUCK KIRCHKE | 4:00.5 | |
| 7-JOHN SMART | 4:01.5 | |

Stevenson Splashes To Victory

Livonia Stevenson opened its varsity swim season with a triangular victory over Westland, John Glenn and Redford Union. In other meets Garden City West nudged rival East, and Churchill dunked Plymouth. Stevenson won the 200 yard medley relay and five individual events in totaling 73 points with Glenn next with 61 and RU third at 38.

Garden City West upended rival East, 55-76. Mark Blanchard was a double victor for East and Churchill took both relays and six individual events to crush Plymouth Canton, 100-67.

Meets results:

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| 151-1 | 2. Stevenson | 1:55.0 | 3. Redford Union | 1:58.2 | 4. John Glenn | 1:58.4 |
| 200-YARD FREESTYLE | 1. Stevenson (L.S.) | 2:02.2 | 2. Blinn (R.U.) | 2:05.0 | 3. Redford Union | 2:05.2 |
| 300-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY | 1. Stevenson (L.S.) | 4:48.7 | 2. Huel (L.S.) | 4:51.8 | 3. McGreevy (G.C.) | 4:53.0 |
| 400-YARD FREESTYLE | 1. Tom Bird (G.C.) | 4:51.8 | 2. Huel (L.S.) | 4:53.0 | 3. McGreevy (G.C.) | 4:53.0 |
| 50-YARD FREESTYLE | 1. Tom Bird (G.C.) | 1:23.0 | 2. Huel (L.S.) | 1:24.0 | 3. McGreevy (G.C.) | 1:24.5 |
| 100-YARD BUTTERFLY | 1. Mike Rado (G.C.) | 3:55.5 | 2. Tom Bird (G.C.) | 3:56.5 | 3. Paul McGreevy (G.C.) | 3:57.5 |
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Hawks Dunk Northville

Harrison High captured eight of 11 first on route to a Western Six opening swim victory over Northville, 51-32.

Mark Rado and Steve Dush were double victors for the Hawks with Rado winning the 100 and 200 freestyle and Dush the 50 and 500 freestyle.

Area Figure Skaters In Regional Action

Two Oberverland figure skaters are in the biggest competition matches of their young careers this week.

Both are members of the Detroit Skating Club.

Miss Schomberger, 12, is a seventh grader at Ford Junior High in Livonia, and is coached by Bernard Spender. She earned two gold medals, and like her counterpart Miss Deson, is now considered a second level skater.

Eleven-year-old Miss Deson, a sixth grader at Fairview School, is coached by Sandra Kuhlman. She is in her fourth year of skating and will be competing like Amy, in the juvenile ladies.

The two have been practicing about 25 hours per week in preparation for the regionals which boast 35 skaters in their division from seven different states.

Such is the story when Northville or Jackson-Northville are operating the 'Downs facilities. Windsor will take on either of the tracks but it won't go against Hazel Park or Wolverine.

Perhaps there is something in Carlo's presentation that the commissioner should study carefully.

Anyway, it all makes the forthcoming announcements of the utmost importance with possibility of court action if Shirley decides to go for 'back-to-back' summer dates. Who'll file the suit? Carlo has told us and all that he won't hold still if his track loses the summer dates or any part of them.

FROM CALIFORNIA comes word that Tom Wilburn, veteran driver-trainer from Mississippi who has been a standout in the area for many years, has decided to call it quits at the end of the year.

The colorful Wilburn always had an excellent stable for the races in Michigan but apparently has decided to retire to the huge plantation his family owns in Mississippi.

And he retires with an unusual record set during the present California season. Then it gradually tumbled down to a point where the mutual handle and attendance was lowest during the summer.

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Bloomfield Tops Trojans

The Trojans slipped and fell again.

West Bloomfield exploded to a 22-3 first quarter lead contest, 31-29, with 6-son Clark But hauling in seven in as many attempts.

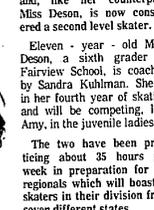
"We had everything going up but nothing falling in," commented first year Coach Bob Wolf who is still looking for that No. 1 triumph.

In fact Clarenceville spotted West Bloomfield a 16 point lead before it got on the scoreboard. Six minutes into the game and Bloomfield a 16-0 leader, Tim McCammon got the Trojans on the scoreboard.

The Trojans wound up one for 12 from the floor in the opening quarter.

Clarenceville bounced back in the second, 16-15, but fell again in the second half, 34-21.

Bloomfield made only four more buckets than Clarenceville but hit on 35 of 48 from the line. Bloomfield scored 38 per cent on 18 of 47 while the



Turf Tips, Quips

It won't be long now... the much discussed and often cussed question of when will the racing commissioner answer the 1974 dates for the pacers and trotters will be answered later than the end of the week.

One can be assured of that since the state racing act provides that the dates must be announced and allotted no later than Dec. 15. Thus, following the assumption that Commissioner Leo Shirley will act as in the past, the fateful announcement could come Friday but must be made by Saturday.

His Nibs hasn't been available for interviews for the past week and a half, ever since he held a session with the track operators and representatives of the various horsemen's groups shortly before announcing the thoroughbred dates.

However, it is known Shirley and his chief aide, Richard Morris, met with Northville Downs Executive Director John Carlo and Executive Secretary Mrs. Margaret Zayiv along with Cass Hoffman, president of the Northville Driving Club, last

Friday. What took place hasn't been released but presumably the session was called to discuss summer harness racing dates.

Carlo, who can make an excellent presentation of why his track should retain the coveted summer meeting, is very bitter over the proposal to give Wolverine Raceway and Hazel Park back-to-back sessions in the summer.

He feels that inasmuch as Northville Downs was the first to gamble on night, parimutuel betting programs back in 1924, it should be entitled to keep its summer dates. Matter of fact his application for 1974 was for 82 nights during the summer.

Carlo has figures compiled by the United States Trotting Association of operations in Chicago, Philadelphia, New York and Toronto which show business was much better during the winter months. Then it gradually tumbled down to a point where the mutual handle and attendance was lowest during the summer.

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have the winter dates when they could do the most business. Perhaps one reason is that the track operating then would have the only game going since Wolverine Raceway definitely won't buck either of the area's major tracks.

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Hazel Park Upends Southfield, 75-66

Southfield jumped to a 4-0 lead on buckets by Dave Trowbridge and Ira Lelesky but that was all the jumping for the Jays.

Hazel Park took over from that point, spurred to a 16-9 first quarter lead and coasted to a Southeastern Michigan Conference victory, 75-66.

Southfield did outscore Hazel Park in the second quarter, 19-18, but slipped to 12 points in the third stanza while Hazel Park reeled off 20.

Hazel Park had a 52 per cent mark from the floor overall on 29 of 56 and the Blue Jays mustered 34 per cent, 28 of 83.

Southfield took 27 more shots but Hazel Park had its starting five all in double figures.

The Blue Jays travel to Berkeley Friday and host city rival Lathrup on Dec. 20 before the holiday break.

Box score:

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Picked MVP

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