

sports shorts

• INTER-CLUB TENNIS

Due to production problems, partial results from the Inter-Club Junior Tennis Championships at Pine Lake Country Club (PLCC) and the Birmingham Athletic Club (BAC) were omitted from a recent front-page story.

Unpublished boys' doubles results included PLCC's Chip Bagley and Scott Whittall's 6-2, 6-4 victory over Oakland Hills' (OHC) Gary Dylewski and Paul Dylewski in 18-and-under competition; Bloomfield Open Hunt's (BOH) David Lee and Keith King's 6-1, 2-6, 6-1 edging of Eric Hotley and Brian Hagenlocker of Orchard Lake Country Club (OLCC) in the 16-and-under event; Jeff Ingold and Bob Mylod of BAC's close win over OLCC's Kurt Streg and John Blank (2-6, 6-4, 6-2) in the 14-and-under division, and OLCC's Kip Olson and Teddy Peterson's loss, (6-3, 6-2), to BAC's Mike Herb and Pat Walsh in 12-and-under competition.

• SEAHOLM GOLF

Tryouts for boys interested in playing golf for Birmingham Seaholm this fall are slated for 7 a.m. and 1 p.m. Sept. 1 at Springdale Golf Course.

• TENNIS TITLISTS

The Balagna's are gearing up for their trip to the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament Sept. 9 in New York. And, yes, they will be competing there.

Sixteen-year-old Tracy Balagna and her mother, Edie, captured first-place honors in the Seventh Annual Family Tennis Challenge recently in Chicago.

The tournament pitted mother-daughter or other family-oriented teams against each other in doubles tennis. The Balagna's, who live in Orchard Lake, won their sectional competition and now will advance to the finals, which will be played during the U.S. Open at the U.S. National Tennis Center, Flushing, NY.

• FALL RUN

Don your jogging shoes, because another fun run has been added to the schedule. The West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor a three-mile cross country run at 10 a.m. Sept. 13 rain or shine over the rolling hills at the Henry Ford Hospital grounds at 6777 W. Maple (near Drake Road).

Cosponsored by the West Bloomfield Township Fall Festival, the run is open to all runners except members of high-school cross country or track teams.

The cost is \$3 per advance entry (payable at the West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation office at 3325 Middlebelt Road) or \$5 the morning of the race (until 8:45 a.m.). For further information, call the West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Department at 334-5660.

• OFFICIALS CLINIC

The Michigan Swimming Officials Association will conduct an officials' clinic Sept. 12 at Schoharst College. Officials and coaches are invited to attend.

• GOLFER'S PARADISE

Need practice blasting your way out of sandtraps? Or sinking 25-foot putts on rolling greens?

And are you sick of being able to play only four or five months a year? Then rejoice, all ye Michigan golfers, for World Wide Golf Ltd. will officially open its doors Sept. 2.

Located in Warren, the center boasts of being golf's first complete indoor training center. Sandtraps, putting, driving and any other facet of the game can be perfected at the new facility.

Professionals are on hand to provide instruction to both avid golfers and beginners. There is also a small theater and pro shop, a sand bunker, a green with an adjustable roll and four tee equipped with analyzers which tell golfers the distance and accuracy of their drive.

Cost is \$5 for half-hour sessions in the professional staff. Ten weekly hour-long lessons are available for \$125.

Club memberships, which will entitle the golfer to use all club facilities and receive unlimited instruction for one year, are available for \$480 per year.

The new center is located at 2212 W. 14 Mile east of Dequindre in Warren. For further information, call 979-8010.

• SKATING LESSONS

The Bloomfield Hills Schools Recreation-Community Education Department will conduct ice-skating lessons at the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills, with the first session starting Sept. 14.

The eight-week classes will be on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays. Students must be at least 4½ years old. Cost is \$30 per student.

A second session will begin Nov. 16. For further information, call the Bloomfield Hills Schools Recreation-Community Education Department at 334-3378.

O&E golf tournament now recruiting

Everything went well for the Observer & Eccentric Women's Golf Tournament earlier this month.

Now, preparations are continuing for the O&E men's tourney, which will be Sept. 19-20 at Whispering Willows Municipal Golf Course in Livonia.

It's still not too late to sign-up for the 36-hole event.

All that participants have to do is complete the registration form that appears in most editions of the O&E Newspapers, then return it along with the \$27 entry fee to Whispering Willows.

All amateur golfers who reside in the O&E circulation area — Plymouth, Canton, Westland, Garden City, Redford, Livonia, Southfield, Farmington,

Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield, Bloomfield Township, Birmingham, Troy, Avon Township and Rochester — may compete.

Registration deadline is Sept. 13 or whenever 225 entries have been received. A full complement of 225 has registered the past two years.

The field, as in years past, will be divided into four flights based upon handicap. Low gross (actual scores) and low net (scores adjusted with handicap) prizes will be awarded in each flight.

Last year, heavy rain wiped out the first round and the tournament was played as an 18-hole event. That was the first time in memory that rain caused a major problem with the men's tournament.

Men's Women's Open Golf Tournaments
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Men's entries close Sunday, Sept. 13, at 6 p.m. Call for starting times on Thursday, Sept. 17, after noon (478-4492).

Open to all residents of Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Garden City, Westland, Redford Township, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Southfield, Birmingham, West Bloomfield, Bloomfield Township, Bloomfield Hills, Troy, Rochester and Avon Township.

Entries may be mailed to Tournament Director Gary Whitener, Whispering Willows Golf Course, 25500 Newburgh, Livonia 48152.

Former prep stars shine

• MSU SPARK PLUGS

Recent Michigan State University baseball awards went to a pair who played their high school ball for Birmingham schools.

Mark Pomorski (Birmingham Groves), a senior at MSU, was honored as Most Valuable Pitcher for the Spartans. Pomorski rang up a 5-1 won-lost record and struck out 19 batters in 34 innings of work. He also received a trophy noting his ability to retire the opponents' lead-off hitters.

Bruno Petrella, a sophomore, earned awards for his hitting and his success in getting on base. An infielder, Petrella registered a .262 batting average, scored 16 runs while batting only 38 times, smacked three home runs and collected 11 runs batted in. He also stole nine bases in 10 attempts.

The Spartans finished the 1981 season with a 23-28 overall record and a 6-8 mark in Big 10 play.

• MAT PROSPECTS

Perris State College wrestling coach Dan Ley is counting on a pair of local wrestlers in the upcoming season.

Jim Steiner, a Farmington High School graduate who placed fifth in the 165-pound class, and Jim Caverly, a Southfield resident who attended Birmingham Brother Rice and wrestled in the 167-pound division, are being touted among the new recruits in Perris' wrestling future.

• WOOSTER STANDOUTS

Katharine Blood, a Bloomfield Hills

Andover graduate, and Beth Koreman, a Birmingham resident who attended Academy of the Sacred Heart in Bloomfield Hills, were both honored after completing recent seasons at the College of Wooster in Ohio.

Blood, an Orchard Lake resident in her junior year, earned her second varsity letter in track and recorded personal bests in the 1,500-meter run (5:28.2) and 800-meter run (2:32.1). The team finished the year 5-0 in dual meets and finished among the top 15 teams in the AIAW Division III national meet.

Koreman, a freshman, was a member of the Wooster lacrosse team, which finished the year with a 7-6-1 record and an optimistic look toward next year, since only three players graduate.

First-time aces

After 25 years enduring the ups and downs of the game of golf, Birmingham's Mary Shanahan recently recorded her first career hole-in-one at Pine Lake Country Club (PLCC).

Shanahan, a life PLCC member, aced the second hole — a 151-yard par-3 — with a 1-iron.

Fritz Pinis, 55, of Birmingham shot a hole in one on No. 15 at Sterling Heights' Plumbrook Golf Course recently.

Pinis used a 7-wood to score the first ace of his career on the 147-yard par-3 hole. The former principal of Adams Elementary School and current director of elementary education for Warren Consolidated Schools shot 41 for the nine-hole round.

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