

## Groves slips past Athens

# No. 3 doubles comes through

Birmingham Groves' No. 3 doubles team of Mark Karcher and Pat Walsh took at the loss, won a big win, match of the season last week when they stopped Dennis Corcoran and Kevin Sathers, 6-1, 7-5, to provide the deciding match win in Groves' 4-3 victory over Troy Athens in Metro Suburban Activities Association play.

The Balos brothers, Mike and Dave, won the top two singles matches for Athens. Mike overpowered Mike Sandwisch, 6-1, 6-1, at No. 1, and Dave crushed Mark Mason, 6-0, 6-1.

Brad Becker brought Groves back with a 6-2, 6-0 victory over Don Price in the No. 3 singles match. At No. 4, Athens' Brian Crowder beat Mark Mihalik, 6-3, 6-1.

Groves won the first two doubles matches. Roark Vandien and Paul Snider whipped Tom Butkovich and Frank Lee, 6-4, 6-4, at No. 1, and Dave Bohon and Cary Bohan beat Larry Hanan and Ken Kim, 6-1, 6-4, at No. 2.

The meet result left Groves with a 6-3 overall record and a 2-1 mark in the conference. Athens is 1-2 in the league.

On Monday afternoon, Athens is home to Southfield-Lathrup and Groves travels to Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

BIRMINGHAM SEAHOLM, winning every match except for No. 1 singles, took Bloomfield Hills Andover last week in the Southeastern Michigan Association.

Andover's Loomis took Scott Whittle, 6-2, 6-1, in the top singles match. Jamie Michelson of Seaholm downed Kevin Hurlt, 6-0, 6-3, at No. 2. Jamie Piel beat Hugh Whitney, 6-2, at No. 3. In the No. 4 singles match, Charlie Fritz toppled Paul Ural, 6-1, 6-2.

Seaholm's top doubles team of Paul Olmstead and John Wilkinson beat Paul LoPatera and Paul Shapiro, 6-1, 6-2.

Brad Michelson and Jim Riedel, ranked No. 2, downed Jim and Bill Schwartz, 6-2, 6-1, at No. 2. The No. 3 match went to Dave Fisher and Tom Kemp, who beat Tim Brice and Mike Claudio, 6-4, 6-1.

The win boosted Seaholm to 9-1 overall. The loss was Andover's third in 13 starts. Seaholm hosts Berkley on Monday, and Andover plays at Southfield on the same afternoon.

WEST BLOOMFIELD pushed its dual record to 10-2 last week with a 7-0 victory over Waterford Mott in the Greater Oakland Activities League. West Bloomfield is 4-0 in the conference.

## Belle Isle hosts bikers

The 23rd annual Wolverine "200" Bicycle Marathon will be May 22-23 at Belle Isle.

The marathon, sponsored by the Detroit News and the Schwinn Bicycle Co., is promoted by the Michigan Bicycling Federation in cooperation with the Detroit Parks and Recreation. There is a \$5 entry fee.

The marathon's challenge is to ride as far as possible from 10 a.m. May 22

to 10 a.m. May 23. Overnight camping will be allowed that evening only.

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For further information, call the Michigan Bicycling Federation at 547-0500.

## tennis

WB's Kevin Donase, returning to No. 1 singles while tennis whiz Ed Nagel got a rest, beat Tim Hendershot, 6-3, 6-2. Kurt Strong, the Lakers' No. 2 singles player, stopped Chris Murphy, 6-2, 6-1.

Earlier, Nogel won the No. 1 singles match to help the Lakers beat Rochester, 6-1.

North best Mike Simpson, 6-1, 6-1. North's 1 and 2 doubles helped three sets with WB winning both. The No. 1 team of Joe Scavone and Howard Headlee, 6-1, 6-1, beat Jim Grant and Paul Foley, 6-3, 6-4. At No. 2, Brian Bailey and Cary Glazer beat Pete Milne and Steve Tan, 6-1, 6-4, 6-3.

On Monday, West Bloomfield plays at Waterford Kettering, and Rochester travels to Troy.

BLOOMFIELD LAHSEN battered Royal Oak Adams, 7-0, Thursday in the Metro Suburban Activities League. Ed Ravel beat John Long, 6-0, 6-1, in the No. 1 singles match. Tim Sechowski and Joe Atkins beat Craig Masters and Joel Jenkins, 6-4, 6-2, at No. 2 doubles.

SOUTHFIELD-LATHRUP won all seven matches in straight sets in beating Rochester Adams, 7-0, in a Metro Suburban Activities Association meet

last week. The win left Lathrup with a 7-4 overall record.

Jerry Soverinsky won the top singles match with scores of 6-0, 6-0 over Bob Wagner. Steve Kalt beat Eric Essien, 6-0, 6-1, and No. 2 Dan Hough and Jon Purtill, 6-0, 6-1, over Gribble and Jeff Stiles, 6-1, 6-1.

Earlier last week, Lathrup beat North Farmington, 6-1. Soverinsky beat John Grisale, 6-2, 6-0, at No. 1 singles, and Steve Kalt beat Howard Headlee, 6-0, 6-2. North won the No. 4 singles meet. Chuck Homola beat Rob Granader, 6-2, 6-3.

On Monday, Lathrup plays at Troy. Athens' North plays at Livonia Churchill on the same afternoon.

SOUTHFIELD'S RON Nussbaum won a three-setter at No. 4 singles to highlight Southfield's 7-0 victory over Troy in Southeastern Michigan Association tennis last week.

Nussbaum outlasted Ron Cross, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5. Jim Zeppa won the No. 1 singles match with scores of 6-3, 6-1 over Ross Wilbur, and Nelson Turnage topped Dean Knety, 6-4, 6-4, at No. 2.

The No. 3 singles match went to Darrin Karter, who beat Glenn May, 6-4, 6-4.

Mike Apolito and Russ McCoy beat Jim Caprigno and Dave Sauer, 6-1, 6-2. Brad Falk and Allen Goodwin beat Mark Sosnowski and Mark Chase, 7-5, 6-2, at No. 2. Jim Haver and Scott Moore beat Jeff Davis and Jamie Kriegel, 6-4, 6-4.

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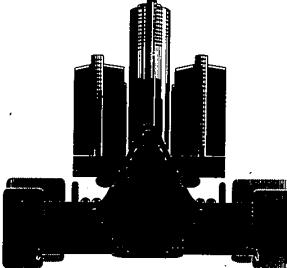
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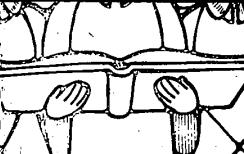
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