

RU, Glenn Advance To Anders Semifinals

It'll be a battle of champions Monday evening when Redford Union faces John Glenn in the first half of the semifinals in the annual Les Anders baseball tournament at Ford Field.

Glenn, which shared the Northwest Suburban League title with North Farmington, gained the semis by downing Garden City East, 5-2, in the first game of the quarterfinals Thursday.

Then Redford Union, the co-champ with Allen Park in the Suburban Six League, held off Garden City East for a 4-2 decision.

The other half of Monday's semifinals was to be decided Friday when Bentley tackled Stevenson and Churchill went against Thurston.

MONDAY'S WINNERS will square off Tuesday at 7:30

p.m. for the Anders crown and there'll be a new champion this year since Northville's 1970 kingpins were knocked out by Churchill.

The tournament again is being sponsored by the Livonia Optimists, the Livonia Recreation Department and the Observer Newspapers.

Glenn Olsen went the way for Northville to edge East. It marked the second time in

three days that Glenn had bounced East in a tournament game. Earlier in the week it was in the pre-district round of the state Class A meet.

Darryl Demaray, Roger Sanders and Mark Szamansky each had two hits for Glenn.

Glenn scored twice in the second inning and then wrapped up the game with two more in the sixth when Demaray doubled and San-

ders singled after a walk and a fielder's choice. REDFORD UNION built up a 4-0 lead against Garden City East, but East rallied for two runs in the seventh inning and age RU pitcher Randy Ferguson had to come in relief of Bill Booker to get the final out.

There were two on when Ferguson, who has won 10 more this season, rushed to the mound.

Redford Union scored twice in the third inning when R.J. LeRoux singled, Mark Durance doubled and Bill Herbert singled around an error.

In the fifth after Booker walked, John Varvari connected for a hit that sent the pitcher home.

A walk to Mickey Robinson followed by a single by Booker produced the fourth and final Redford Union run.

East still had some life coming to bat in the final inning. Jerry Volas opened with a walk and scored on Sam Tjalsma's triple. Tjalsma, the losing pitcher who went the distance, scored when Jim Sins was safe on an error.

That with two outs Darin McHugh singled.

The tourney began this year with 17 entries and although the teams have been engaging in the state tournament at the same time, there appears to have been no problems caused by any jam-up in games.

"It's run very smoothly," one veteran coach said, "and there is no reason why we can't continue to hold the Anders tournament in the future."

'Baby' Churchill Grows Up

For a relative "baby" as schools go, it was quite a three days in baseball for Livonia's Churchill High.

Three games — one of which stretched over two days — three victories and all of the wins which fell in the categories of "biggies."

ON TOP OF that there was a family touch to one of the games in which Churchill player Bruce Van Wagener went head-on against his dad, George, who coaches rival Livonia Stevenson... and guess who won?

The week began with Churchill matched against

Northville in the Les Anders Invitational tournament at Ford Field in Livonia.

This was the first appearance of Northville's defending champs in the 1970 meet, but the kingpins didn't last long... just the one game which began on Monday and finished on Tuesday.

Under the suspended game rule which prevails in the Anders as well as the new state tournament, if it rains and forces the teams to halt operations, they must commence from the spot play was halted.

When the rains fell Monday, Churchill was ahead, 2-0, against Northville.

THOSE TWO RUNS held up and Churchill came out the winner the next day by a 2-1 score to advance into the quarterfinals.

Mike Keller, who fanned seven, was the winning pitcher as he held off Northville after Churchill counted twice in the first inning.

Ray Henricksson walked and came home on Steve Chienko's single. Then Mark Deroche singled and Brian Scherman followed with what proved the winning run.

In between the start and finish of the game with Northville, the Livonians slipped in a pre-district state tournament game with Stevenson

and gained the decision, 4-0, as Bob Phillips allowed four hits and struck out four.

Coach Van Wagener, of Stevenson, naturally was disappointed that his own team lost, but when he returned home he could smile because son Bruce had connected for a big single that drove in two of the Churchill runs.

Bruce's play helped ease the pain of the loss, said the Stevenson coach who during the past two seasons had been "embarrassed" a couple of times by the batting of his son. Stevenson pitcher Mike Gee pitched well enough to win most the time. He, too,

allowed only four hits and struck out five.

GEE HAD a shutout going until the fourth when Chienko walked. After Deroche was safe on an error, Pat Welch singled in two runs. George Pansani doubled and then Bruce Van Wagener followed with his two-run hit.

With almost no chance to rest, Churchill was back on the diamond Wednesday to make up a previously-rained out Western Six League game with Farmington Harrison.

This was a close one all the way before Churchill pulled out a 7-4 victory.

Ray Miller, who hurried the final 22 2/3 innings in relief of Ken Woods, was the winning pitcher.

Henricksson's triple and an error led to Churchill's first run in the first inning. One more run scored in the fourth when Woods' single followed two walks.

In the fifth Churchill erupted for five runs with Bruce Van Wagener's two-run double and a single by Deroche, the only hits of the inning. Two walks and a fielder's choice helped.

Deroche singled in the sixth and scored the winning run on an error in the sixth.

HARRISON SCORED twice in the third on an error, a walk and a single by Dennis Economeau. In the sixth, Jim Goodwin singled and came around on an error and Bob Bartlett's sacrifice.

Then Harrison made things hot with three runs in the seventh when Economeau, Gary Morrison and Bartlett singled along with a fielder's choice and a walk to produce three runs.

Tom Young suffered the pitching loss for Harrison after taking over from Economeau.



ARRIVING SAFE in a cloud of dust is Bentley's Al Hernandez to set up a score against Clarencville. Third Baseman Terry Laird takes the throw but Hernandez hit the bag a moment before the tag. Bentley won, 3-1. (Photo by Tom Donoghue).

Farmington Trackmen Unbeaten To The End

The battle of Farmington's three senior high track teams ended, as predicted, in a runaway with Farmington romping to victory.

The Falcons piled up 93 points to North Farmington's 33, and Harrison's 16. Thus Farmington added another chapter to one of the most brilliant records an area track team ever has compiled. It was the 11th straight win without a reversal in all four triangular meets for the Farmington team.

IN ADDITION the Falcons won the Inter-Lakes and regional titles, captured the

Observer Relays and placed sixth in the state meet. They went after the Oakland County title Friday night in their final action of the season.

Honors were well split for the Falcons with no double winners on the rainy, chilly afternoon which held down times and eliminated chances for school records.

Mike Gow, North Farmington's all-around athlete who is winding up a brilliant three-sport career, won the low hurdles, placed second in the 220 and second in the long jump.

The meet was marked with a three-way tie between Farmington entries in the two miles when they joined hands in coming down to the finish line together for a unique windup to the longest race on the agenda.

The complete results: 880-yard relay: 1-Farmington (Paras, Timmons, Goldbaum, Carvill) 2-North Farmington 3-Harrison. Time: 1:34.9. 880-yard: 1-McClintock (F), 2-Winslow (NF), 3-Arcangel (H), 4-Harwig (F). Time: 1:59.9. High Hurdles: 1-Stemka (F), 2-Pender (F), 3-Gow (NF), 4-Stirling (F). Time: 1:50.0. Mile: 1-Hidebrandt (F), 2-Nurari (F), 3-Johnson (NF), 4-Brance (F). Time: 4:38.6. 1000-yard: 1-Timmmons (F), 2-Wilson (F), 3-Paras (F), 4-Braak (H). Time: 1:08. 440-yard: 1-Arcangel (H), 2-Evels (F), 3-Winslow (NF), 4-Goldbaum (F). Time: 1:02.2. Low Hurdles: 1-Gow (NF), 2-Pender (F), 3-Stemka (F), 4-McConeghy (H). Time: 20.9. Two Mile: 1-Three-way tie between Donohoe (F), Fedrew (F) and Burton (F), 4-Jake (F). Time: 10:32. 220-yard: 1-Timmmons (F), 2-Gow

(NF), 3-Paras (F), 4-Wilson (F). Time: 2:37. Mile relay: 1-Farmington (Carvill, Hidebrandt, McClintock, Manewall, 2-North Farmington 3-Harrison. Time: 3:47. Shot Put: 1-Fueling (NF), 2-Malic (NF), 3-Crowe (NF), 4-Cock (F). Distance: 48 feet, 5 inches. Long Jump: 1-Kemp (F), 2-Gow (NF), 3-Bender (F), 4-Campbell (F). Distance: 20 feet, 9 inches. High Jump: 1-Gow (NF), 2-Durham (F), 3-Douglas (NF) and Malatic (NF). Seed Height: 5 feet, 8 inches. Pole Vault: 1-N. Durham (F), 2-Budget (F), 3-Doer (NF), 4-Brown (F). Height: 12 feet.

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Thurston Net Team Reaches New Peak

With its top doubles pair slated to play in the State Class A tournament in Kalamazoo, the Thurston High School tennis team established its best record in history in NWSAA competition.

Randy Barr, senior, and Pat

Trappnell, sophomore, took first place in regional doubles in Dearborn to move up to the state tournament. They placed fifth in a field of 10 teams.

In league competition, Thurston went in tied for third with Groves and Franklin and emerged second to Oak Park, gained on a first in singles by Barr and a second in doubles by Trappnell and Jim Kobberstad.

The team gained strong support from a promising sophomore, Steve Becker, and two seniors, Craig Miller and Mike Kroll.

Thurston finished the season with 15 wins, 6 losses, overall, and 6 wins to 4 losses in league play.

Other members of the team were Rick Sheffield, Mark Nowatarski, Jim Shippey, Doug McGlothlin, Frank Horkey, Bob Brazau, and Jerry Rukowski. They were coached by John White.

U-D won with a four-man team score of 322 while Sorrows had 341. Divine Child tallied 342 with Bishop Gallagher coming in next with 353.

Chris Strand had an 82 and Bill Robertson an 83 for Sorrows while Jeff Serenay and Bill Vieson each shot a 77 to lead U-D.

Lakers Easy Victims For Sorrows 9

Our Lady of Sorrows' baseball team tuned up for its state pre-district game against Novi Saturday by downing Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes, 8-1.

Steve Thelen buried the route for the winners, allowing three hits and fanning six. Tom Centers delivered the game's big hit—a grand slam homer.

John Esper had three hits and Newt Hurst two for Sorrows, which has an 11-5 record.

'Reckord' Set

When Wayne State University senior left-hander Gordon Reck fanned 11 Chicago State batters while notching a two-hit, 3-0 victory during the 1971 season, he became the eighth pitcher in Michigan state college baseball history to pass the 100-strikeout mark in a season.

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