

# Nine Records Fall In NWSL Girls Track Meet

By ARTEE

With record-making performances in nine of the 12 events, girls from the six high schools in the Northwest Suburban League definitely proved that female competition is rapidly coming to the front at the high school level.

True enough, it was only the second league meet and thus one could expect numerous new standards but veteran track coaches from area schools were amazed at the performances and the improvement of the girls in one year.

Team honors went to Oak Park by the margin of a single point over John Glenn, 51-50, followed by Livonia Franklin 40, Birmingham Groves 30, North Farmington 18 and Thurston 3.

On the basis of the league meet and dual meet competition, the overall track

crowns went to John Glenn with 14 points followed by Oak Park 13 and Franklin 11.

Points were awarded on the basis of 10 for first team in the dual meets, eight for second, seven for third, six for fourth, five for fifth, and four for sixth.

In the league finals, points are given on the basis of six for the first place team, four for second, three for third, two for fourth and one for fifth.

JOHN GLENN won all its meets and finished second in the finals. Franklin was second in dual meets and third in the finals and Oak Park won the finals but was third in the dual competition.

Kathy Searls, of Groves, was the lone double winner, setting records in the 50 and 100-yard dashes, taking a fourth in the running long jump and anchoring the winning 880-yard relay team.

Miss Searls snapped the string in the 50 in :06.5, bet-

tering the previous standard of :07.0 set by Walters of Oak Park. She was well in front of the field in the 100, finishing in :11.9 or one full second better than the :12.9 mark set by Moran of John Glenn.

Alice Newman, of North Farmington, cracked the existing standard for the 220 when clocked in :28.4. The previous record of :29.1 was set by Maureen Donahue of Franklin.

Miss Donahue skipped the 220 this time to win the 440-yard dash in :54.2, one of two individual crowns for Franklin.

Gail Kopchla accounted for the other with a victory in the hurdles. Gail was third in the standing long jump and anchored the record-setting 440-yard relay team to a time of :54.7, bettering the :54.9 set last year by John Glenn.

JOAN McCULLUM, of North Farmington, shattered her own standard in the shot

put with a toss of 33'7". She set the former mark of 32'5" a year ago.

Mari Carr, of John Glenn, only had one big jump in the running long jump and it was good enough to win and also set a record. Her leap of 17'1 1/2" shattered the former mark of 14'8 1/2" by Kathy Ragan of Franklin.

Carol Moeit, of John Glenn, cracked the standard for the standing long jump with a leap of 8'2 1/2". The old record was 7'9" by Tati of Oak Park.

Linda Garrett gave John Glenn a total of three firsts and three records when she ran the 880 in 2:44.9. That was a tenth of a second faster than the 2:45 by Watkins of Franklin. Linda was some 50 yards ahead of her nearest rival.

The complete summaries: SHOT PUT—Won by McCullum (NF). 2. Zuckek (JG); 3. Albart (OP); 4. Whitehead (JG); 5. Lehen (F). Distance 33'7" (Record better mark of 32'5" by McCullum).

RUNNING LONG JUMP—Won by Carr (JG). 2. Odden (OP); 3. Rayford (OP); 4. Searls (G); 5. D. Rayford (OP). Distance 17'1 1/2" (Record better mark of 14'8 1/2" by Kathy Ragan, Franklin).

100-YARD DASH—Won by Searls (G); 2. Carr (JG); 3. Odden (OP); 4. Bradshaw (OP); 5. Jones (OP). Time: 11.9. (Record, better: 12.9 by Moran, John Glenn).

440-YARD DASH—Won by Donahue

(F); 2. Watkins (F); 3. Coulston (JG); 4. Moore (G); 5. Sullivan (F); Time 54.

220-YARD DASH—Won by Newman (NF); 2. D. Varnet (F); 3. Mulken (F); 4. Groves (G); 5. Fisher (OP). Distance 8'2 1/2".

HIGH JUMP—Won by Rayford (OP). 2. Kaban (JG); 3. Burton (JG); 4. Van (F); 5. Newman (NF). Height 4'7".

80-YARD HURDLES—Won by Kopchla (F); 2. Coppe (JG); 3. Chaney (F); 4. Meyers (OP); 5. Tatt (OP). Time: 12.0.

80-YARD RELAY—Won by Searls (G); 2. W. Jones (OP); 3. Carr (JG); 4. Odden (OP); 5. Grover (G). Time: 1:05.

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## Turf Tips, Quips

By Doc Minard

Does the city of Detroit need a race track? Would a track bring enough additional dollars to make it worthwhile to the city? Would it ease the financial situation and build up additional taxes?

These are some of the questions that went unanswered when the Fairgrounds Racing Association, a recently organized group, announced plans to bring a new business to the City of Detroit... horse racing.

The proposed plans call for taking over the State Fairgrounds and renovating the present facilities. This would include covering the mile track with a synthetic surface, reconstruction of the present grandstand into an all-glass enclosed structure and numerous other improvements.

But things that were very carefully not discussed were: how much benefit would the city of Detroit get from such an operation, how can this group get a lease on a property that by act of Legislature has been declared out-of-bounds for pari-mutuel racing and how can any group construct a new clubhouse and place a synthetic cover on a mile strip for a total cost of \$5 million or less.

At the moment, the only return to the city of Detroit would be the \$600,000 allowed a municipality housing a track from the state's share of the handle. This has been set by the Legislature and it would take legislative amendments to change it. That's something the City of Livonia is vitally interested in... a hike in the allowance to a city housing a racing plant.

It was back in 1949 that the Legislature passed a law banning wagering on horse races at the State Fairgrounds and also any type of horse racing. That law hasn't been repealed.

One of the reasons it was passed was to give racing plants in Metropolitan Detroit's suburban areas assurances that there wouldn't be competition from a Fairgrounds operation at later date.

Both Hazel Park and the Detroit Race Course were just getting started at the time and officials at each wanted assurances before they spent millions building new plants.

NOW AS TO the cost of a new, enclosed clubhouse, the DRC added such a structure to its grandstand some three or four years ago at a cost of almost \$5 million. There isn't any reason to believe that the Fairgrounds Racing Association could build a similar building for less than \$7.5 million with the inflated costs today.

As a matter of fact, judging from costs for synthetic covering on tracks in other sections and on area collegiate grids, it would take something like \$1.5 million for that surface alone.

It will be recalled that the Detroit Race Course was sold to a syndicate two years ago for a reported \$13.5 million. It has been stated more than once that Hazel Park is available to any buyer that comes up with \$14.5 million.

Perhaps the Fairgrounds Racing Association should look into the possibility of buying Hazel Park. One thing is certain, they wouldn't have to start the ball rolling for legislative changes that could cost a bundle in lobbyist fees.

GOING TO the DRC Saturday? Take a look at

some of these if you're interested in wagering a bob or two.

The following are recommended: Owasco, Tudor Bold, Royal Gin, Liss Desire, Cool Climatic, Fleet Affair, Respective, Quick Jay, Long Road, and Marc's Spy Pilot.

THE GRAND CIRCUIT roared into Hazel Park Friday night with the Tompkins Memorial three-year-old trot but the big events of the annual visit of the Roaring Grand are slated this week. The nation's top juvenile

pacers go at it Monday for a purse estimated at \$24,000. These are the candidates for the 1972 Little Brown Jug Classic.

But the big event of the week comes Wednesday when the classic three-year-old pacers in competition this year do battle for the winner's share of the \$20,000 added Joe Neville Memorial stake.

The late Neville is remembered as the father of the Little Brown Jug, building it from an average stake into the nation's No. 1 event for the three-year-olds.



STEPPING OVER HURDLE enroute to a victory in the girls' competition of the Northwest Suburban League is Franklin's Gail Kopchla. She was clocked in :12.0 and won by a stride. (Photo by Tom Donoghue)



HIGH IN THE AIR and far back into the long jump pit flies Mari Carr, of John Glenn, to win the running long jump with a record leap at the Northwest Suburban League girls' championship meet. (Photo by Tom Donoghue)



By W.W. EDGAR

Summer bowling got away to a flying start in Observerland this week and by appearances it may be the best summer ever for topping the tenpins.

With few exceptions all establishments in the area report increased activities and more fun.

Summer bowling is far different from the keen competition of the winter. Instead of the traditional five-man team league competition the summer lineup is studded with mixed teams and many husband and wife combinations.

These have come to be known as "fun" leagues and the women are making the most of bowling with their husbands instead of watching them.

Another feature of the summer season are women's doubles classics and even three-women teams.

"It is a bit early to predict how high our membership will go this summer," Tom McKay, secretary of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association, remarked. "But we are running ahead of last year."

The Women's Bowling Association also reports an increase over last year at a comparable time.

So, from all indications, it could be a record summer.

THERE SEEMS to be no stopping Ann Setlock at Garden Lanes.

Continuing the scoring spree that earned her the title of Detroit's Bowling Queen during the winter season she is running away with honors in the Women's doubles classic at Garden Lanes.

BY THE SCANT margin of six pins Scarie Brothers of the Detroit Bowl had a dream shattered during the week.

She envisioned a high place in the Hamtramck Citizens Tournament at Playdium and the rich prize it would bring.

When the bell rang to start rolling the posted games of 200 and 234 in an actual 505 series. It also gave her a handicap count of 890-where she missed third place and \$1,000—by six pins.

The prizes drop from \$1,000 for third to \$100 for fourth. So you can imagine her disappointment.

WES HOFFMAN two time member of the All-State YBA champion when his family lived in Plymouth, won the state junior boys crown in the annual state title tournament at Pleasant Lanes in Mt. Pleasant.

Now a resident of Menominee, Wes carries a 180 average and posted an 1178 for his six games in the title chase. He had a 631 in the morning and fell to 545 after lunch. But it was good enough to win.

THREE DETROIT Juniors will represent Michigan in the All-America Youth Championships in Washington in August.

This event is limited to graduating seniors.

Brent Begnoche, of Yorba Linda Lanes, won the major boys position and Gene Muzzin, of Blazer Lanes, of Lincoln Park, will compete in the boys handicap division.

Gail Griwicki, of Regal Lanes in Warren, will carry Michigan's hopes in the girls handicap competition.

MORT FRIEDMAN and Stu Pearlman teamed up to show the way in the men's summer classic at Bel-Aire Lanes with a four-game count of 975.

Friedman also won individual game honors with a 269 to beat out Al Messecar who hid a 254.

Chris Stevenson showed the way in the Tuesday Ladies circuit with a 577 gained on games of 222, 182 and 172.

In the same circuit, Tam Dimochowski posted a 197 her best count of the year.

But the happiest girl was Carol Barker who converted the 7-4-10.

Rollie Krause had a 633 in the "Bernuda Shorts" League on games of 229, 204 and 200.

His closest rivals were Tom Johnson with a 582 and Tom Karr with 561.

Churchill, Harrison Stars Picked

Three players from Churchill High and one from Farmington Harrison were named on the Western Six League's 1971 All-Conference baseball team.

The selections were topped by Steve Chilenko of Churchill, an outfielder who hit .387. He was named the league's most valuable player.

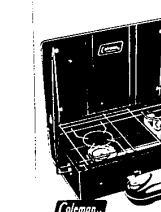
Roy Hendriksson was named at second base and Mark DelRoche at third for Churchill. They hit .303 and .357, respectively.

Pitcher Gary Morrison of Harrison was named to the first.

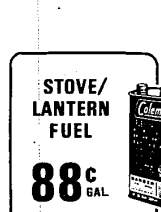
Churchill placed three men on the second team—Bruce Sherman, Bob Phillips and Harry Van Wagoner.

Harrison's Tom Young and Dave Mance also were slated with second team slots.

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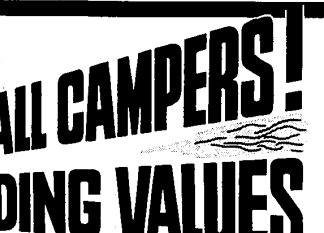
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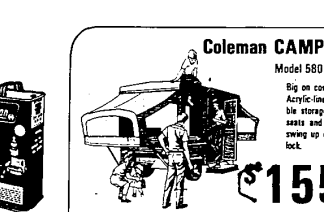
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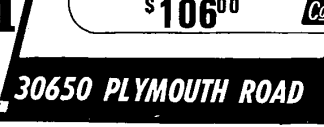
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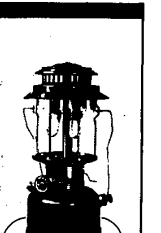
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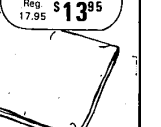
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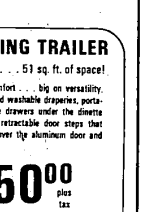
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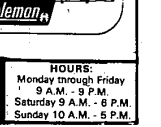
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