

## Turf Tips, Quips

By Doc Minard

The pacers and trotters return to Northville Downs, Michigan's pioneer night harness racing track, on Thursday, June 24 for a 35 night summer meeting.

It will be the 28th summer opening for the Downs and Executive Director John Carls believes it will better the record campaign of a year ago when Northville shattered existing standards for wagering and attendance.

Northville went through its first winter meeting in February and March and discovered that the wintry blasts can wreck havoc to crowds and action at the muddy widows.

Harassed by the worst

Michigan winter in years, the Downs wound up with a creditable average handle of \$231,215 with attendance at 3,045 nightly.

That was a bit below the expectations of Carls but then the track ran into rain or snow every weekend and actually didn't have favorable weather at any time.

The outlook is much better for the summer where Northville traditionally has one of the finest seasons in the area. Racing Secretary Harry Peterson believes the 710 stallionments will bring better horses to Northville this year than in some time. The screening committee had to whittle down from a record 1,300 applications.

## Southfield Rec Softball Leagues

### CLASS A

Brewer Roofing established itself as the team to beat by taking sole possession of first place with a 5-1 win over Bonnie Bakers. Miami Blue Pool stayed tied for second place with a 10-1 victory over Garden Plaza Vitamen.

S.S. Kresge evened its record at 2 and 2 with a 21-16 win over Lathrup Village. Sports Fair won its first game this season by defeating United Paint & Chemical by a score of 23-15.

CLASS B, DIV. B  
Progressive Tool scored a run in the bottom of the seventh inning to defeat Chevrolet 3-2. Providence Hospital slipped by Northbrook Presbyterian while Beacon Industries whalloped Muskovitz and Pershing 21-10.

American Legion handed RCA its first loss by scoring a run in the eighth inning to make the score 7-6. In Thursday's action, the Taxi Squad defeated Eaton Tigers by the score of 13-4. It was Taxi Squad's first win of the season.

CLASS B, DIV. A  
Federal Mogul stayed on top of the league with a 31-2 win over Merrill Lynch. The Judman Colts scored 7 runs in the fifth inning and went on to defeat FWHEA 12-4. Monday's scheduled games were postponed because of rain.

CLASS B, DIV. B  
Brewer Roofing 4-0  
Bonnie Bakers 3-1  
Miami Blue 3-2  
S.S. Kresge 3-1  
Garden Plaza 3-0  
Lathrup Village 1-0  
Sports Fair 1-0  
United Paint 0-4

CLASS B, DIV. A  
American Legion 3-1  
RCA 2-2  
Northbrook Presby. 2-2  
Progressive Tool 2-2  
Eaton Tigers 2-2  
Providence 2-2  
Beacon Industries 2-2  
Chevrolet 2-2  
Taxi Squad 1-3  
Muskovitz & Pershing 1-3

CLASS B, DIV. A  
Federal Mogul 4-1  
Bendix 4-1  
Computer Services 3-1  
Judman Colts 3-2

KIM HARTMAN  
Athlete-Scholar

## Hartman Wins MSU Sports Award

Southfield's Kim Hartman has been named the winner of the 1971 Chester L. Brewer award, given to the graduating Michigan State University senior who best combines athletics and scholarship.

Hartman received the honor at MSU's recent seventh annual awards banquet. Hartman, a 1967 graduate of Southfield High, has been a key performer in track and cross country over his entire career. He paced the Spartan hurriers to Big Ten team titles in 1968 and 1970, and was a consistently high finisher in the mile run in track.

An advertising major with a 3.18 grade point average, Hartman was also voted the outstanding senior performer in cross country. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hartman, 20365 Norwood, Southfield.

Scheduled to move to Northville over the weekend from nearby Hazel Park were such large public stables handled by McMurtry, Morris, McDonald and Shelly Goudreau from, Ontario, Doug Ackerman, Tom and Jim Merriman, Merrill Dokey, Jim McGarty, Bud and Jake Foster, Tom Wilburn, Don Hall, and always powerful Saunders Mills stables and the Grettenberger string.

The shift to Northville actually began late this week when Peterson and Carls issued a welcome to these stables that had been granted stalls.

With summer here, the track in excellent condition, the clubhouse finally completed Northville is looking forward to its greatest season and everything points to it.

THE TROTTERING meeting at the Hazel Park Harness Raceway is something else! This exciting harness season, which will continue through Wednesday, June 23, is setting all kinds of records.

Items: The 500,000th patron passed through the turnstiles on Wednesday, June 16, the first time any Michigan harness meeting has drawn half a million fans.

The total purses for the meeting will pass the \$2 million mark, another all-time first.

The total mutual handle for the meeting will exceed \$40 million, the previous summit was \$38,216,114 last year.

These figures underline the tremendous growth of harness racing at Hazel Park. The first trotting meeting at the popular suburban track in the spring of 1953 attracted 199,089 spectators who bet \$10,332,867.

The sport at Hazel Park has shown a tremendous upsurge in the past half decade, over that span alone, the total mutual handle has more than doubled. Total attendance over the same period has gone up about 40 percent.

The present average nightly mutual handle for the meeting is \$624,000 over 10 weeks. The average nightly attendance is 7,266.

Michigan's largest and richest horse show in history opens Saturday at the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club on East Long Lake Road east of Woodward, in Bloomfield Hills.

It will run daily, except for next Monday, through June 27. The show will be divided into two segments. Dressage competition will be held on Saturday and Sunday with classes at 8 a.m., 1:30 and 6:30 p.m. Saturday and at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Sunday.

The schedule is a departure from the past shows and is designed to present major dressage on weekends, rather than early in the week. Competition in jumpers, eventing and equitation will begin Tuesday morning and continue with morning, afternoon and evening classes throughout the week.

Junior classes again will be divided into three categories — open, intermediate and preliminaries. The open competition will be enhanced this year by higher purses for four of the six events. More than \$10,000 in prizes will be awarded in the open-jumper classes.

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TOUGH COMPETITORS — Pat Trappnell (left) and Randy Barr play in Southeastern Michigan Tennis Association (SMTA) meets when not competing on Thurston High School's varsity squad. Trappnell is ranked number two for 16 and under singles play in SMTA.

## Dateline Outdoors

By LEM MESE  
Outdoors Writer

Here's an article about fishing you'll want to clip.

A gentleman called for the article about which southeastern Michigan lakes are good for which kinds of fish. But then he added:

You left something out. You didn't say which lakes have access sites. I fished Lake St. Clair and the Detroit River for years, but I can't fish it any more, and I need to know something about the inland lakes around here.

I replied that the state Dept. of Natural Resources had lists of lakes with public access and called Lansing to make certain I could get one, too. It turned out, however, that I got one of the last copies in print.

And so, as a public service to local fishermen, and in order to save our crisis-ridden state a little money, I hereby share with my brother anglers the list of Oakland County lakes with public access sites where you can put in your own boat.

Big Lake — five miles north-west of Waterford.  
Cass Lake — north of Keego Harbor; state park permit required.

## C'ville Grad Head Coach At Seaholm

Tony Giacobazzi, a former all-star from Clarencville, has been appointed head football coach at Birmingham Seaholm High School.

Giacobazzi was a three-year letterman in football, basketball and track at Clarencville. He later played football at the University of Iowa, capping his career with appearances in the North-South game and the Hula Bowl in his senior year.

The new coach has been an assistant at Seaholm for two years; prior to that he coached at Derby Junior High and St. Frances de Sales High School.

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## IN THE POCKET

By W.W. EDGAR

Marion Ladewig, the Grand Rapids grandmother who is considered the greatest of all women bowlers, is still a champion at heart.

Now bowling "just for the fun of it," she won a share of the actual all-events title in the women's mere 161 at Ark Lanes and then asked that the championship be recorded only in the name of Bev Patterson, with whom she tied at 177.

"When I asked Marion about a roll-off for the title and the prizes," Marge Strokis, secretary of the Women's State, explained, "she told me to give Bev the title outright."

Looking back on the tournament Marion lost her chance at the outright title when she "just fooled around" in the first game of the doubles and posted a 170 in 479.

"I'm just having fun" the five time All-Star champion said, "and for the first time I really am enjoying bowling."

THE DETROIT AREA has three contenders in the trials this weekend in Columbus, O. to designate the United States team in the world championship tournament in August in Milwaukee.

Joe Paulus, who does most of his bowling at the Detroit Athletic Club, and Fred Vitali, at Westland, will be bidding for a berth on the men's team for the upcoming year, and the area's upcoming young bowlers, is seeking a place on the women's team.

MONDAY NIGHT will be "Champions Night" for both the Detroit Men's and Women's Associations. The two groups are combining for an awards banquet at the Pick-Fort Shelby Hotel when all winners in the recent city tournaments will receive their prizes.

SALLY WEBER had her name placed on the Honor Roll at Merri-Bowl. Bowling in the Tuesday morning ladies league she converted the "impossible" 4-6-7-10 split.

EV HUBBLE is showing the way to the girls in the Singlettes League at Westland Bowl.

With 86½ points she is well out in front in the title race and is carrying a 173 average — highest in the circuit. Jeanne Dreher holds a share of the spotlight with a high single of 217 and high series of 577.

HOWARD BAYER, 16-year-old at Oak Park Lanes, sounded a warning to all juniors that he must be considered in all future tournaments.

The warning came when he posted a 702 series to win the Oak Park singles title.

TOM McPHAIL, chairman of the "Rescue The Rouge" campaign, reported to the Wayne County Board of Commissioners that a new bowling ball was found among the litter and debris in the cleanup.

"We don't know whether it was a disgruntled bowler or a disgruntled wife, who threw the ball away."

MARCK GOODMAN set a torrid pace for his rivals in the doubles classic at Bel-Aire Lanes.

He posted an 865 for four games and had a 24 pin edge on Al Messecar, his closest rival. Other high scores included Ery Watson, Jr., 836, Ron Watson 835, Phil Horowitz 825.

Dave Kilian had a 202 in 551 to lead the family doubles and Nancy Stebbens posted a 170 in 479.

THE LOW AVERAGE bowlers in the Monday Mixed League had a great time at Garden Lanes.

Fannie Pate, average 110, fired a 437; Mary Patrias, with a 112, had 415; Vi Fuch with a 116 had a 425 and Dee La Combe with 120 had a 450.

Ann Hall paced the circuit with a 521. She carries a 156. Penny McLean topped the scorers with a 651.

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## Ken Jackson Helps Broncos Win Title

KALAMAZOO  
Ken Jackson won the 120-yard high hurdle track championship for Western Michigan University at the Mid-American Conference meet and also came back to win a fourth in the 440 intermediates under difficult condition.

In the highs, the Livonia Bentley High graduate was timed in 34.5 over a cinder track, two-tenths of a second faster than Ken State's Gordon Ober. This race was run twice. Jackson was also the winner the first time, however, a flight of hurdles was placed incorrectly and this necessitated a return.

Ten minutes later, Jackson struggled to a 55.0 clocking in the intermediates. He won that race at the 1970 league meet and had the fastest premeet time this year (52.4).

The Broncos took team honors for the 13th time in the last 14 years.

## Two Area Sophs Figure In M Linebacking Plans

ANN ARBOR  
The linebacker has become the key to successful defense in football and Michigan Coach Bo Schenbeckler is again in a position to appreciate this consideration. Michigan's defense is expected to remain among the nation's very best and one reason is the presence of an experienced group of linebackers, headed up by Mike Taylor, who Schenbeckler considers the finest in college football.

Taylor, a senior from Detroit, 6-foot-2, 224 pounds, is one of the toughest hitters to be found anywhere. Last year he finished second in tackles with 83, despite missing one

game. He also intercepted one and broke up five others while playing the demanding outside linebacker position.

Taylor played the outside because of his great speed but this season will switch to the middle to replace All-American Marty Huff as the signal caller. And just as he should easily fill Huff's shoes, there should be no drop in efficiency at the outside post: Junior Tom Kee and senior Dana Coin, both experienced, are ready to do the job.

Kee, 6-11, 210 from Wheaton, Ill., has been switched from Wolfman where he backed up Frank Gusch. Blessed with fine speed and agres-

siveness, he managed to intercept a pass and recover a fumble last year while seeing limited action.

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