

Top Fillies To Clash In Rich DRC Stake

A race with a history for Detroit Race Course moves to the end of the first month of the 84-day meeting. The Rose Leaves is a \$15,000 added handicap at a mile.

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plus those silly music makers who blast your ears. That's not all, either. Nightly, at Kutshers, they offer two theater shows featuring top names from Broadway and television. As if that's not enough, they also have movies and color TV in many of the rooms. What's more, this is no place to go, if you're fighting a diet. The three meals served daily will load you down with several thousand calories each day.

But, who really cares on a vacation? Our purpose for coming to Kutshers wasn't all pleasure. It was here last week that most of the greatest names in professional basketball gathered to participate in the annual Maurice Stokes benefit game.

Stokes, you'll recall, was a great star for the Cincinnati Royals. He was a huge man of 6-10 and 250 pounds.

He had led the Royals into the 1958 playoffs, and into Detroit for the first game against the Pistons. Despite the fact Detroit won the series opener, Stokes was the standout that day for the Royals.

Game two was scheduled the next day in Cincinnati. But by then, Stokes was flattened in a hospital bed.

On the flight back home, he was stricken with brain damage. He became paralyzed from head to toe. He lost his ability to speak.

One of his teammates that season was Jack Twyman, himself an NBA standout. Twyman personally undertook the responsibility for looking after Stokes. Twyman became his legal guardian.

Doctor, hospital and medical bills mounted. They have exceeded \$100,000.

A good share of the money has been raised through the game the NBA stars put on at Kutshers every year. Something like \$65,000 has been derived from the game.

There were 2,500 present for last Tuesday's game from which \$12,500 went to Stokes.

All of the players footed their own bills to get here. And what a group they were—Will Chamberlain, Bill Russell, Dave Bing, Eddie Miles, Dave DeBusschere, Oscar Robertson, Billy Cunningham, Willis Reed, Dick Van Arsdale, etc. Truly five million dollars of talent. Maybe more.



Pistons Dave Bing (left) and Dave DeBusschere with Observer Sports Editor George Maskin at Stokes charity game at Monticello, N.Y.

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and 70 yards.

Racing Secretary Howard L. Battle had 31 nominations for the event and is confident he will have a full field of 12 face Starter Ed Anthony.

The list includes: T. D. Buhl's Just A Whim; the Crimson King Farm's Johnny's Jury; E. Gilman's recent importation from the East, Amherst; E. J. Groff's field's Natty Feeling; Charming Alibi from the Holiday Stable; Mrs. J. R. H. Thompson's Yacht; and the duo of Secret Promise and Gay Salterette.

In addition to preparing for The Rose Leaves, Battle and his staff have been busy on advancing planning for the \$100,000 added Michigan Mile on Sept. 18.

During the past week, William (Smoke) Saunders and Assistant Racing Secretary Thomas Scott were off on recruiting missions for The Mile.

Saunders visited Greenwood in Canada and owners and trainers at Saratoga for nominations. Meanwhile, Scott was at Chicago seeking the best of the Midwest handicap stars.

As the DRC meeting moved ahead, there was a great three-way battle for riding honors involving Bob Gallimore, the record-holder with 116 victories last season; David Whited, who has been the riding champion at the last two events which he performed, and Apprentice Jerry Santele.

Gallimore, riding for Detroit T. A. Grissom, still was peevish but it was obvious he would not make a runaway of the riding honors as he did last season.

There also was a spirited fight for honors among the trainers with Dewey Smith, who trains the powerful Grissom stable, holding a slight edge over Ron Warren and Jack Van Berg.

Another Grissom, Perna L., was also in the spotlight. His Carpenter's Rule, which has an impressive record on the West Coast last winter, noted Royal Course from the Van Berg stable to win the \$15,000 Frontier Handicap last week.

Royal Course set a fast early pace and had a three-length margin coming into the stretch. Then Carpenter's Rule, with Frank Costa in the saddle, made a great drive and collared Royal Course in the final strides. An outsider in the wagering, Carpenter's Rule returned \$24.

The big Saturday card at the DRC had another highlight with a special pre-race entertainment program featuring Bobby Gumbly, the Pied Piper of the Canadian Centennial, and the singing Canada Singers, under the direction of Lloyd Broadshaw.

Three Area Swimmers In Jr. Olympics

Two young swimmers from Garden City will attend the National Junior Olympics in Washington, D.C.

Sharon Burlingame, 10, of 3647 Kathryn St., and Glenn Turnbull, 10, of 31035 Balmoral, will represent the Garden City Parks and Recreation department. Sharon holds the state record for the 50 and 100-meter backstroke, and is regarded as one of the top three girls in the nation. She has qualified to swim the 50-meter backstroke, and is an alternate in the 50-meter freestyle event.

Glenn is regarded as the premier state swimmer in the 50-meter breaststroke, his specialty.

The youngsters have been coached by veteran swimming instructor Mrs. Jewel Cooke. Another member of the team making the trip is Carol Rustis, 10, of Westland.

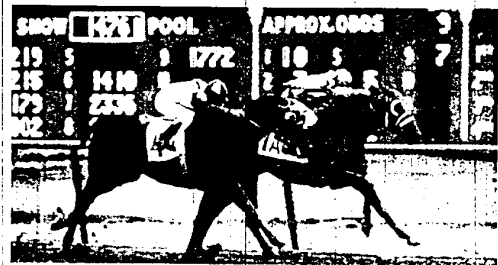
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CARPENTER'S RULE BROKE from the No. 9 post position in the \$15,000 added Frontier Handicap at the Detroit Race Course, while Royal Course (No. 4) broke from the third spot. The Frontier (below) then developed into a great stretch duel between the pair. Carpenter's Rule, owned by Detroit's Nip M. H. Grissom, made a great drive to nip M.H. Van Berg's Royal Course at the wire.



Schoolcraft Harrier Job To Roncoli

Appointment of Tom Roncoli as cross country coach at Schoolcraft College has been announced by athletic director Marvin Gann. Roncoli joins Schoolcraft after coaching football for eight seasons at Wayne High. Previously, he coached football, basketball and track at the Armed Forces Dependents School in Germany.

At Schoolcraft Roncoli replaces Tony Rizzo, who guided the collegians to a brilliant record of 21-1 last season. Rizzo has relinquished his coaching duties to work full time in the school's geography department.

The harriers will convene for practice on Aug. 28 with four returning lettermen heading the squad. They are Larry Buchheit and Fred Neil, ex-Claremont High; and Joe Vitale and George Jackson of Livonia.

Ron Maturak and Mike Borg, two 1966 stars at Redford Union High, have entered Schoolcraft and figure to be welcomed additions to the Schoolcraft varsity along with Gary Leads and Ron Plescoe, two other RU grads.

The Schoolcraft schedule: Sept. 15—Delta and Muskegon at Delta.

Sept. 22—Flint and Lorain, home.

Sept. 26—At Port Huron.

Sept. 29—Auburn Hills, Kellogg and Jackson, home.

Oct. 4—Henry Ford, home.

Oct. 7—At Lorain.

Oct. 10—Monroe, Oakland U., home.

Oct. 13—Concordia and Highland Lakes at Highland Lakes.

Oct. 20—Concordia, Auburn Hills, Delta, Alpena, Port Huron at Concordia.

Good Stroke

Tiger batting coach Wally Moses finished a 17-year major league career with a lifetime average of .281.

Gals To Finish Golf Activities

The end of the line comes this Friday for the members of Livonia's Women's golf league.

Their last serious action is scheduled at Idyl Wyld Friday morning. Then all that will remain on the 1967 schedule will be the group's banquet and fun day.

But while the curtain drops on regular play, many of the league officials are suggesting that their current members—and those who elect to join next season—should keep up their play during the rest of the summer and into the fall.

"In fact, we suggest that as many of the girls as possible should take advantage of the various lessons provided by the recreation department and at our area clubs."

"This certainly would help the girls in the lower flights and those who haven't played too much," declared Mrs. Lou Nelson.

"It's so much better for a girl to find out early in her golfing how to do it right. Once you get off on the wrong foot, it's difficult to start correcting your mistakes."

In last Friday's action, Darlene Gymer continued her winning ways by pacing the field in the championship flight with a 44.

Wanda Hall took the Flight A gross honors with 55, while Jeanette Davies and Pat Billette were tied for second.

Physicals Set For Gridders

Physical examinations for cross country and football will be given at 8 a.m. on Saturday, August 26, in the boys' locker room at West High School, Garden City.

Phillippi Giants

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were two out when Gulbroson drilled a single. Helstein walked and Dettler followed with his fourth hit. Mike LeBlanc walked, Greg Gray was hit by a pitch, Robertson singled, Fisher walked and Paden singled to add six more runs and put the game out of reach.

The Jets of Livonia made the day complete by taking the State Class E title for boys 14-15 years of age.

The Jets, finishing the year with a great 22-1 record, beat Allen Park, 2-0, in the semifinals, and then followed with a 10-0 shutout over East Detroit in the championship game.

Dave Rice hurled a one-hitter for the Jets in the first game. He fanned 10 and walked two and also singled to score the first run on a single by Bob Hood.

Paul Miller doubled in the second Jets' run after Joe Berg had singled.

Ken Gawkowski hurled the

second shutout, giving up eight hits as Rice again led the way at bat — this time with a triple and two singles. Randy Lee contributed two singles to the winners' attack.

The Jets wrapped up matters by securing five times in the sixth inning. Mike Perino and Hugh Shannon singled before the next two men went out. Then Miller walked.

Gawkowski helped his own cause with a two-run single. Rice singled in two more runs and the final tally came on an error after Lee walked.

Augusts Win State Crown In Handball

The August brothers, Larry and Steve, of Farmington, have added another glamorous chapter to their handball careers.

They teamed up Sunday to win the Michigan State outdoor doubles title at Detroit's Palmer Park by springing an upset.

They won over the No. 1 seeded pair of Jim Golden and Frank Palazzolo in the title match, 21-10, 21-20.

Golden and Palazzolo were seeking their sixth straight championship.

Larry and his father, Dr. Al August, won the indoor state doubles title this year and two weeks ago Steve won the outdoor singles.

Larry is one of the favorites in the national singles three-wall tournament to be played at Palmer Park over the Labor Day weekend.

Brother Steve will play doubles with another partner, while dad will appear in the masters' competition for the oldest players.

Super Saturday at DRC

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