

# Champions Shine in Golf and Horse Show

## Marlene Bauer Hagge Wins LPGA Title After Sudden Death Play

By JACK KEHOE

In a pressure packed conclusion to the LPGA golf championship Sunday, a new star firmly established herself as one of goldfolds all time greats. In doing so, she had to conquer a lady who has been leading the girls for the last 15 years.

The new champion is Marlene Bauer Hagge who grabbed off the title in a dramatic sudden-death overtime. Her opponent on this do or die extra hole was the long established dean of women's pros, Patty Berg.

Marlene took the championship with an outstanding play of golf that saw several old records erased.

During the opening round she burst off to a decisive start by smashing par at the local Forest Hill course with six under. This score established a new low for the State of Michigan in ladies competition.

WITH THE LPGA honors added to her accumulation of recent victories, it brought her a new distinction of being the first woman to log three major tournament victories in a row. Altogether, she won four out of the past six competitions.

This LPGA crown is the most prestigious title for the pros and it was accompanied by a money award for Marlene of \$3,500.

The amount added to her winnings of the 1956 season brought her total cash prizes to \$9,195 which is the highest ever in a single season for a woman.

Her victory never came easy because after the second round she played, stocky little Patty Berg was tied with Marlene for the first place position.

BOTH GIRLS finished the regulation 72 holes of play with identical 29 1/2. Immediately they went on to extra play on the 490-yard



YOUNG DAN HASLEY on his mount Senator Teacup receiving the first place ribbon from Mrs. Charles Denney for his win in the A.H.S.A. Metal Class—Hunting Seat. The Detroit rider had to bring his horse through a series of six jumps with the lowest number of faults in the junior competition.

ONE OF THE BIG surprises of the tournament was the excitement created by a local pro, Irene Bretz-laff, who dropped a hole-in-one on the 210-yard 14th hole. Even so, she finished 24th in the field and out of the money, Irene was delighted to make her hole which was the first to be recorded for a LPGA tournament.

In the accompanying Wolverine Amateur tournament which ran during the mornings of the LPGA tourney, 16-year-old Mary Mills of Mississippi won the event with a 311.

This young southern gal gave ample evidence that she will be a contender to watch in future competition.

WOLVERINE AMATEUR  
Mary Mills 69-74-82-88-119  
Jan Hopkins 80-74-82-84-120

## Local Riders Win At the Biggest Detroit Horse Show

When the last hunter's horn call had sounded at the main ring of the Bloomfield Open Hunt club, it signaled the end of most successful Detroit Horse Show in all its 39 years.

In all aspects of the show, attendance, classes and entries, it was the largest that has ever been held by the local club. In particular the officials and judges commented that the entire horse show competition was the most exceptional and enthusiastic that they had encountered in their tours throughout the country.

Much can be said for the young riders from the Birmingham area who did so well in gaining a large percentage of ribbons and awards. The Bloomfield Irishman won the highly prized Junior Equitation Team championship with a cumulative point record of 174 faults. The next team to take second place was Birmingham Outlanders with 39 1/2 faults, followed by the Bloomfield Fairlanders with 44 faults.

THE IRISHMAN team is comprised of Zander Duffield, Paul G. Howard, Miller and Rick Otto. This team has won the right to represent Michigan in the Junior Olympian.

William O. Bridge, co-chairman of the show believes that after the fine performances of the junior riders that Detroit and suburbs will be well represented in future International Equestrian Olympiads.

Top rider of the show was Bentley's Bonham of Battle Creek who was off and on a wide assortment of his own and other owners mounts.

RIDING VETERAN LASSIE, owned by Mrs. Herbert R. Thomsen of Indianapolis, Bonham on the last day of the show took the majority through three classes of the FEI Stakes with no faults for an outstanding performance.

Charles Bruney from Deerfield, Ill., was another excellent rider through the five day affair.

Among the many fine stables from all over the country, the Virginia stables of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Motch were the most successful in wide number of events.

Among show chairman Bridges' declared that Motch has come a long way in just a few years in establishing a fine stable of horses. He is a very able student of the game, Bridge added.

FINAL tabulation showed that the wide grounds of the hunt club on Long Lake road had a total entry of 406 riders as compared with last year's list of 322.

Attendance exceeded 1955's by 12,000 with a total this year of 62,340.

List of events concerning the results of local participants in the Detroit Horse Show:  
1st. Tourist's Last-Elliott S. Nichols, Bloomfield Hills  
2nd. Heraldo-Thibodeaux Farm, Bloomfield Hills  
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PATTY BERG takes a long, hard look at the shape of the green in order to sink a putt in the finals of the LPGA championship at Forest Lake country club. Patty lost out on the title when she failed to make a seven footer in the extra hole clincher.



Runner Up—Patty Winner—Marlene

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## Thumbs Down on TV Of Little League

For a time last week Birmingham was astir with the news that a TV lens would soon loom down upon the juvenile residents of the community.

Reason for the proposed television invasion was the Little League baseball activity.

THE PROGRAM directors of WML-TV thought that those novel and exciting games would draw a interest of the public for two hours—12 noon until 2 p.m.—each Saturday.

Birmingham's Recreation Board had given its approval to such a program to be broadcast from Eton park. Technicians are erecting the site and declared it suitable for telecasting.

VARIOUS Little League teams from Grasse Pointe, Fernside, Detroit and other areas were eager to have their teams appear on such a program. Everything was set for a final OK.

All the hastily preparations came to a sudden halt when a phone call on hand to instruct that they would not be allowed to telecast.

Local Boys Take Numerals at Taft

Headmaster Paul Cruikshank of the following students from Birmingham area have received awards for participation in javave athletics for the spring term.

Junior varsity track numerals: Michael Morton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robin Morton, 2435 Wing Lake road, Bloomfield Township; Ralph L. Polk III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Polk, Jr., Cranbrook Court, Bloomfield Hills.

All Aboard Kids! Iron Horse May Come to Eton Pk.

The "iron horse" comes to Birmingham if the recommendation made by the Recreation Board is approved by the City Commission.

Eton park will be the final resting place for the former Grand Trunk steam engine.

According to Bob Girardin, recreation director, Birmingham will be the second city in Michigan to have such a machine used in an educational program.

A northern community has had their children playing around a retired steam engine for several years with no harm occurring.

It was the majority opinion of the board, that if the engine is accepted, no fence be placed around it which would prevent the children from playing on it.

GIRARDIN feels that it would be a fine addition to the entire program, offering a creative playtime and educational program.

Dismissing from the general opinion of the board's Cecil Allen who feels that the engine must be fenced to insure the safety of the children. He intends to carry his objection to the city.

Television from Eton park was approved by the Birmingham Recreation Board last week at its regular monthly meeting.

## Wolverines Halt Rockets Win Streak

The Rockets of the Birmingham Babe Ruth League lost their first game of the season to the Wolverines last week in an eight inning game 7-5.

The Rockets tied up the ball game in the seventh inning when Jeff Apple drove in Tim Springer and Gene Hoyer. The top of the eighth netted the Wolverines three runs and the Rockets could only produce one.

Bruce Withers and Paul Jones shared the RBI honors for the Wolverines with three each and Ed Facchini accounted for the other run. Winning pitcher was John Wisman.

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Leading Batting Averages: 4.50 Bob Baker, Chiefs; 4.10 John Dixon, Rockets; 3.90 Paul Jones, Wolverines; 3.80 Bob Parker, Chiefs.

Royal Oak Joins Eastern Mich. School League

At a special meeting held Thursday, June 21, 1956, at the Woodward Inn, Royal Oak, the Eastern Michigan League voted unanimously to accept the Royal Oak Kimball high school into league membership.

Royal Oak Kimball high school is a new school being built in the city of Royal Oak and is scheduled to open the second semester of the 1956-57 school year.

Officials assured the Eastern Michigan League that they would be ready to conduct a full-scale athletic program with the beginning of the 1957-58 school year.

THE ROYAL OAK school that includes to be added to the league membership of the Eastern Michigan League. The other members of the league are: Birmingham high school, East Detroit, high school, Lincoln high school, Hazel Park high school, Mt. Clemens high school, and Port Huron high school.

Robert Christen, principal of East Detroit high school, is president and Ross Wagner, principal of Birmingham high school, is secretary-treasurer.

ED HOOT, principal of the Royal Oak Kimball high school, and James Manilla, athletic director, when contacted expressed their appreciation on being accepted into league membership and agreed to inaugurate an every day program during the period of orientation to league activities.

The regular recreation swim for children during the day has had large attendance at each session, added Girardin.

Most of the playgrounds have had fine participation, declared Girardin, with the day camp at Springdale park very crowded.

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## LPGA Tournament

Marlene Bauer Hagge 76-291 81,550  
Patty Berg 77-300 81,500  
Betty Jameson 77-300 76,765  
Mickey Wright 77-300 77,150  
Joan Jackson 77-300 77,150

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## White Sox, Red Sox Break Lead L League

Little League Monday night as they rolled over the Tigers 11-3. Last week's scores were: Red Sox 10, Tigers 0; Yankees 15, Indians 13; Indians 18, Tigers 2.

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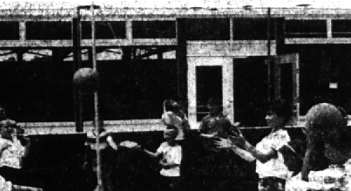
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## Farm Team Results

The farm teams of Birmingham's Little League continue their action in a number of ball games last week. Along with these little fellows are the even the smaller fellows who play in the Tee Ball League.

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
Lions 1 2 0  
Hawks 1 2 0  
Rangers 12-12a 9  
Wings 7-7a 14

FEDERAL LEAGUE  
Titans 15-15a 9  
Tartars 28-Spartans 9

THE 'F' Yams  
Titans 15-Wolverines 14  
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