

Tennis Tourney Popular

The Birmingham Eccentric-Recreation department community tennis tournament is proving to be a big hit with area residents.

Since the first announcement last week, more than 30 tennis fans have sent in registration blanks as of yesterday afternoon.

AND IF it is any encouragement, none of the reigning champions have given any indication of defending their titles—yet.

The tournament is scheduled for July 28-31, August 3-7, but may be extended if the registrations keep coming in. A new division for the younger players has stimulated interest, according to the amount of forms turned in.

The junior division for boys and girls 8-12 is attracting the younger players as are the other divisions.

BOYS AND girls single and doubles events and similar matches in the men's and women's classes are expected to top last year's field of 107.

Trophy will be awarded to the winner or winners of each division and a medal will be given to the first three places by Varsity Shop owner Vince Seconina.

Read the entry form rules carefully because several fans have turned in only one registration when they wanted to enter a doubles event.

THE PARTNERS must send in the forms clipped together and then send in a single blank if they want to enter a singles match.

All of the entries must be in the office of The Birmingham Eccentric by noon, July 21.

First-round pairings will be published in the July 23 issue of The Eccentric.

'Sox Take First In Federal Loop

The White Sox moved into first place by beating the Seals, 7-2, in the Federal League. Bruce Fearn and Sam Garza struck out three of the Sox.

Terry Heydon pitched another no-hitter and won his sixth straight game as the Orioles whitewashed the Athletics 6-0. Tom Redder and Mike Rafferty had two hits each for the winners.

THE MUD Hens beat the Senators 6-2 behind the pitching of Alan Francis. Francis struck out 11 and hit a three-run homer. Ronnie McBride had three hits for the losers.

Craig Gagstetter fanned 14 Orioles to pace the White Sox in a 4-3 victory. Ricky Vosler, Art Kale, Jack Nelson and Steve Green had key hits for the winners.

THE BLUES scored 11 runs in the third with every player in the lineup scoring at least one run. Harvey Wallace hit a three-run homer and Pete Soltman had three hits including a double.

The Maroons continued on their winning ways by beating the Blues 5-0. Bob Vibbert had two of the three Maroon hits. Doug Hayes won his fourth game of the season.

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THE LONE Birmingham run



Ruddy Adjusts Cap . . . Gets Ready . . . Starts After Ball . . . Makes the Grab . . . Throws the Man Out

Legion '9' Drops Two Straight

By JOHN SPOELSTRA
Special Writer

The July 4th week proved to be rough on the Birmingham American Legion baseball team. Besides losing two games and failing to third place, they lost ace pitcher Tim Springer for a week.

Fifteen minutes before the Southfield game, Sunday at Birmingham, Springer smashed his first finger on a car door. Birmingham lost 9-6.

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to pitch and went through the Southfield batters with little trouble the first two innings. In the third, Southfield sent ten men to the plate and scored five of them on four hits and three walks. Rod Ruddy, the third baseman, pitched to the last two batters in the third and finished the game.

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Tournament Popular at Springdale

The second in a series of two-ball mixed foursomes tournament will be held at Springdale golf course Sunday at 3 p.m.

Tournament chairman Hyatt Eby has announced that the tournament will be planned on a monthly basis. The first tournament last month was so popular that it was decided to make it a monthly event.

MRS. GEORGE Fairbanks and Fred Caduci won the first tournament with the low gross and low net scores.

The Springdale Tuesday Men's league lead changed hands again as Larry Kelly shot a par four on the 10th sudden-death playoff hole last week to edge Virgil Hartkopf.

Kelly has an 8-1 slate and Hartkopf slipped to second in a tie with his son, Mickey, with a 7-2 mark. Eight players are tied for third with 6-3 records.

They are Ray Campbell, Bob Dickinson, Dick Hohn, Jr., Dale Rolph, Lou Sharkoff, John Ferrine, Dave Turner and George Sterling.

American Legion

AMERICAN LEGION PUTS HEAD

Royal Oak	2	1	275
Blues	2	1	247
BIRMINGHAM	2	2	252
Seals	2	2	252
Clawson	2	2	250
Milford	2	2	249
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LAST WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

BIRMINGHAM 5, Milford 3
Royal Oak 5, Clawson 2
Seals 5, Blues 3

LAST SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Royal Oak 6, BIRMINGHAM 2
Blues 4, Milford 2
Seals 5, Blues 2
Seals 4, BIRMINGHAM 4
Blues 4, Milford 3
Royal Oak 4, Clawson 3
Blues 4, Seals 3

YESTERDAY'S GAMES

BIRMINGHAM at Milford
Seals at Clawson
Royal Oak at Seals

SUNDAY'S GAMES

BIRMINGHAM at Rochester
Blues at Milford
Royal Oak at Southfield
Berkeley at Clawson

AB.	R.	H.	HR.	RBI.	PCT.
Fearn	29	9	11	3	379
Muthle	28	5	10	13	356
Ruddy	28	5	10	13	356
Arnold	26	2	4	3	250
Laula	24	2	4	3	250
Madonna	23	2	4	3	250
Rohn	22	2	4	3	250
Clawson	22	2	4	3	250
Hayes	18	1	1	0	100
Redder	4	0	0	0	000
Nelson	4	0	0	0	000
Green	4	0	0	0	000
Garza	4	0	0	0	000
Lindley	1	0	0	0	000
McBride	1	0	0	0	000
Springer	10	2	1	0	108
Milford	31	8	15	25	248
Blues	31	11	18	25	248
Seals	31	11	18	25	248
Royal Oak	31	11	18	25	248

Enter Final Playoff Games

Bloomfield Baseball League Playoffs

June 30

White Sox 11, Athletics 9
Tigers 15, Athletics 9
Yanks 8, Orioles 5

July 3

Tigers 15, White Sox 4
Yanks 6, Red Sox 5
Athletics 6, Indians 3

Maroons Sweep Opponents

The Maroons kept their perfect record intact by beating the Browns 9-8 in the Sattelite division of Babe Ruth league. Bob Vibbert had three hits including the game-winning smash in the seventh.

The Browns committed nine errors.

The Monarchs won their first game of the second half by beating the Royals 11-4. Doug Gleson and Tim Tolle had three RBI's apiece for the winners. Ketch Nichols went all the way in his first victory.

JEFF McPARTLIN of the Monarchs pitched a no-hit no-run game by beating the Wings 2-0. McPartlin scored the first run on Tim Tolle's triple.

Losing pitcher Jim Steiner struck out 11 and issued no walks while McPartlin whiffed 12 and passed three.

Gene Schmidt pitched a one-hitter as the Blues ran over the Wings 16-0. The Lone Wing hit came in the first when John Fleming lined a single to left.

Along the Sidelines

with Bill Arthur

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Springdale Clubhouse Plan Started

It appears that Springdale golf course will get its long-awaited clubhouse in the not-too-distant future.

Birmingham city commissioners tentatively approved the architect's sketch submitted to the commission Monday night with an estimated cost of \$27,000.

Mayor Harry M. Denyes, however, took exception to the cost estimate and said he thought the cost would be closer to \$40,000.

PRESENT PLANS in the sketch call for a modern, one-story brick building with stone facing and a terrace included would be rest

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Area Horsemen Capture 11 Firsts in Show

By TONY HAMMER
Special Writer

Birmingham area horsemen captured 11 firsts in the 42nd annual Detroit Horse Show. The show, which ran five days, finished up Sunday night at the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club on E. Long Lake road.

Sunday's action included competition for the regular conformation hunter championship. Dragnet, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Wilson, Birmingham, placed second. Rough Hunter, owned by Pete Fisher, 927 Lone Pine road, Bloomfield Hills, won the Lambert memorial trophy for hunt teams.

BLUES MONDAY, owned by M. class. Carol Gurpey's Millstream Donna was judged second in national western pleasure horses. Miss Gurney lives at 875 Williamsburg, Bloomfield Township.

Olympic Knight, owned by Irvin L. Duffly, 35 Major road, Birmingham, was third in the FEI (See HORSEMEN, Page 7-E)

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Hold 'Fitness' Meet at Pierce Field July 22

Birmingham will be well represented in the Detroit-area Physical Fitness Tournament to be held in Plymouth on July 30.

Youngsters from Birmingham area playgrounds will meet to decide the champions that will represent the city in a local tournament held July 22 at Pierce field. It is sponsored by the Birmingham recreation department.

Boys and girls will be placed in different age groups and the top two in each event will go to Plymouth.

Participating age groups are 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15.

A revolving trophy will be given to the winning playground by Princeton Prep shop that will be circulated every year.

The eight events are pushups, sprints, standing broad jump, running broad jump, hop-skip-jump, softball throw, chinups and shuttle relay races.

Babe Ruth Standings

SATELLITE LEAGUE

W	I
BIRMINGHAM	8
ROYAL OAK	2
BLUES	2
SEALS	2
CLAWSON	2
MILFORD	2

PIONEER LEAGUE

W	I
BLUES	3
SEALS	0
ROYAL OAK	0
MILFORD	0
CLAWSON	0
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Community Tennis Entry Form

The Birmingham Community tennis tournament, co-sponsored by The Birmingham Eccentric and the Birmingham city recreation department, will be held July 28-Aug. 7, at Eton park.

The tournament is for players in the Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills school districts and Iatrust. It will be played in ten divisions. Junior boys and girls singles divisions are for youngsters 8-12 while boys and girls divisions will be held for players 13-17. Men's and women's divisions are for persons 18 years and over and all ages must be as of Jan. 1, 1959.

This form should be filled out and mailed to Community Tennis, Sports Department, The Birmingham Eccentric. Entries must be in the hands of tournament officials by noon, July 21.

Players can compete in both singles and doubles. Players from this area may play on a doubles team with a person not from the area.

IMPORTANT: In doubles, both players must make out individual slips. These must be attached and mailed together. For singles, each player must send in another blank.

Check box as follows:

I wish to enter the following divisions:

Junior boys Junior girls
 Boys singles Girls singles
 Boys doubles Girls doubles
 Mens singles Womens singles
 Mens doubles Womens doubles

I affirm my age, as indicated below, is correct:

Name (Last) (FIRST) (First)

Address _____

City _____

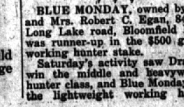
Birth date (Month) (Day) (Year)

My Phone Number _____

I would like to play on (Day) (Hour)

Sketch of New Springdale Clubhouse

This is an architect's sketch of the new proposed Springdale golf course clubhouse to be built at an estimated cost of \$27,000. The sketch was tentatively approved by the city commission Monday night, but many details will be discussed before final approval. The new clubhouse would have restroom and locker room facilities besides a lounge area and a snack bar.



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