

# 'Greatest Year' Scored By Open Hunt Riders

In an unprecedented sweep, all nine Michigan state championships in the junior hunter, jumper and hunter-horsemanship classes of the Michigan Horse Show Association's annual awards went to Birmingham - Bloomfield area riders, with two accounting for seven of the nine titles.

According to a spokesman for the association, 1962 was perhaps the greatest year in history for the local riders. With a total of 28 competitive titles at stake, area horses and riders scored 21 times, with a large majority of the titles going to horses and riders of the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club.

Hunt Club riders made a clean sweep of the Junior Division titles. LEADING ALL competitors is 15-year-old Allison Cram, of Birmingham, with four championships, including the over-all championship for hunter seat horsemanship.



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Pressing closely on Allison's heels is 13-year-old Debbie Wilson, of Bloomfield Hills, with three championships and the reserve title to Allison in the over-all.

The other two junior champions are Allison's brother, Rick Cram, 16, and 14-year-old Chris Jones, of Bloomfield Hills. All four champions are members of the Hunt Club, adding a new measure of equine prestige to this old and popular center of recreation and social activity.

FOR ALISON, the state championship in the hunter seat horsemanship class, which included earlier this month a National Reserve championship and two other high placements in the national horsemanship competitions at Madison Square Garden.

This marks the fourth consecutive year in which this young horsewoman has scored in the state-wide competitions, and runs her total in that time to eleven championships and two reserves. Her 1962 titles include horsemanship, and horsemanship-jumping, both for riders 14 through 17 years of age; the Michigan Hunt's Perpetual Challenge Trophy for horsemanship (the second time she has won it); and The Grants' Perpetual trophy for over-all champion-horsemanship.

THE GRANTS' TROPHY, new this year, was donated to the Michigan Horse Show Association in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Grant, professional instructors, of Birmingham, by the Grants' riders from past and present, and their parents. A fitting note will be added to the official presentation ceremonies when Allison accepts this trophy as the first winner—she has been a Grant student for the past four years.

The state championships are awarded annually by the association to the horses and riders accumulating the most points for winners in Michigan horse shows throughout the May to September season. Announcement of the 1962 winners was received recently from Mrs. J. M. Neath, Jr., Secretary of the Association.

IN ADDITION to the reserve title for the over-all championship, Debbie Wilson's three championships were for horsemanship, and

horsemanship-jumping, both for riders 13 years of age and under; and the Linda Sinkle Trophy for horsemanship, one of the most coveted state titles for juniors.

At the recent Garden show, Debbie rode "Unexpected" to victory for the second consecutive year in the Junior Hunter Hack class.

Rick Cram, with his fine jumping horse, "Flanigan," is junior jumper champion of the state for the second consecutive year. In addition, he is tied with Chris Jones for the Reserve Championship in the horsemanship-jumping competition.

RIK ALSO SCORED well in the recent national finals when he took fourth and fifth in two of the major competitions. As a junior jumper, "Flanigan" is ranked fourth in the nation for the American Horse Show Association 1962 High-Score Awards.

Chris Jones and her mare, "Kid Grey," took the Professional Horsemanship Association championship for junior hunters, plus the reserve title in the Michigan Hunts' trophy, and another reserve when she tied with Rick in the horsemanship-jumping competition.

STILL ANOTHER Birmingham rider, Robert M. Lambert, Jr., 14, added materially to the area's sweep, and the Hunt Club's luster, by taking two reserve championships; one in the P.H.A. junior hunter division, with "Dragnet," and the other in horsemanship.

Area riders also scored well in the senior division, as "Blue Monday" won the regular working hunter championship for his owners Susan and Peter Foley of Birmingham and the Hunt Club. The reserve in this class ended in a tie between "Mr. Deliberate" and "Suebly" of the former city, owned by Mrs. E. E. Fisher and Robert Egan, of Bloomfield Hills and the Club, the latter by Miss Carolee of Bentley.

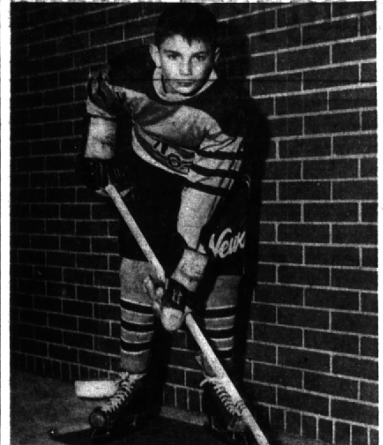
"Mr. Deliberate" was also reserve champion in the conformation hunter class.

"BLUE MONDAY" was shown by his brother-sister owners alternating as riders throughout the season. Susan Foley, now 18 and out of the junior division, is a former junior champion, while Peter, 14, is one of the up-and-coming riders whose presence will be increasingly felt. Riding the horse in the senior division, these two young people had to compete against all comers—even the professionals.

The reserve championship for green open jumpers went to "Smooth Sailing," the owned and shown by Larry Gleffe, 14, of Birmingham, and another Hunt Club rider who is proving he can hold his own in the Senior Division.

THE RESERVE TITLE for green working hunters went to "Star Copper," owned jointly by Mrs. Henry Moses and Mrs. A. J. Brandt, Jr. both of Birmingham. The horse was shown for his owners by Donna Brown, 17, also of Birmingham.

According to Mrs. Neath, the formal presentations will be made to the winners at the Annual Awards Banquet of the Michigan Horse Show Association to be held in Lansing's Civic Auditorium on Sunday, Dec. 9.



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## Young Man in a Hurry

One of the busiest youngsters in the Birmingham area is Kirk (Corky) Baldwin, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Baldwin, 786 Colonial Court, Corky, who began skating at the age of three, is busily training for a place on the Ludington News hockey team at Olympia in Detroit. Coaching the youngster after school is Zorry Sarkesian of Southfield.

Corky, a seventh grader at Holy Name School, follows in the footsteps of his brothers, Tim, 24, and Pat, 22, also outstanding hockey players. In season, Corky also plays football, for Holy Name; baseball for the Braves in Birmingham's Little League; and shoots a mean round of golf (45 or 50) at North Hills Golf Course, where he is coached by Leo Conroy.

## 'Ladies Night' Launches Barons' Cage Season

All the women brought bars of soap. They overheard coach Ed Wicherit say he likes "clean-cut" athletes. The occasion was Ladies Night at Bloomfield Hills Tuesday and each was required to bring soap for the basketball players so they can take showers this year.

THE PRIMARY purpose of the affair was to acquaint the women with the game of basketball and some of the finer points, rule changes—and to create more interest in Baron cage action. Athletic Director Don Hoff welcomed the ladies and explained the sports program at the Hills. Cage managers Wicherit and Hyry introduced the 1962-63 team and ran the boys through some of their 11-0 record.

Wicherit said his players will stick to the fast break on offense and will alternate with a man-to-man and zone defense.

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Hirshman-Chrysler	20	20
Art. Needlepoint	20	20
Land Development	18	22
J. and J.	18	22
Davis Mfg.	16 1/2	23 1/2
Ed. Guttis	15	24
Manus Power Movers	13	27
Silverwolf	1	39

Team	Wins	Losses
Pequins	17	17
Wrens	27	17
Hobbits	25 1/2	18 1/2
Larks	24 1/2	19 1/2
Orloves	23	21
Hawks	22 1/2	21 1/2
Loons	21	23
Cardinals	20	24
Robbers	19	24
Eagles	18	26
Owls	17	27
Pelicans	15	29
Gulls	14 1/2	29 1/2

Pequins split 5-5 with the Larks.

Pequins 489, 584, 522, 1728; Larks 479, 592, 542, 1614.

Pequins won the game from the Paroys 510, 582, 489, 1849; Paroys 505, 465, 579, 1549.

The Wrens took the Oval with the Eagles were: 471, 562, 522, 1848; Eagles 462, 509, 557, 1528.

The Hawks took 225 points over the Ravens. 523, 525, 515, 1528; Ravens 481, 524, 525, 1529.

The Gulls took 225 points from the Cardinals. 511, 501, 522, 1508; Cardinals 489, 509, 589, 1418.

The Owls favored the Hawks with 404 points over the Eagles. 559, 539, 559, 1867; Eagles 545, 479, 514, 1441.

The Loons took the Oval with the Don Flemming with a game of 223. 474, 489, 577, 187, 1644.

Don Flemming with 571 for the men; Jane Dieffenbach with 187 for the ladies.

Don Flemming with a 223 for the men.

## Tilt

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year, is the big gun for the Falcons. Kekones accounted for 163. Both teams will be using the fast break and both usually stick to a man-to-man defense.

PARRY FEELS that his team "can't help but improve" over their 1961-62 record of four wins and 11 losses. Carson and his charges will be out to better a 6-10 mark set last year.

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