

1963—Feast or Famine? Seaholm Wins Openers

Having opened the season on successful notes, the Seaholm baseball and track teams will seek to extend their influence at Roseville, Tuesday and at Central Michigan University this week end.

Kermit Ambrose's thirteenth travel to Mt. Pleasant Saturday for the 23rd annual running of the Central Michigan Relays. Twenty-five Maples will attempt to improve on Seaholm's fifth place finish in 1962.

The trackmen posted a 67-42 victory over East Detroit in the opener on April 24 and defeated Port Huron, 61-48, on Friday.

THE BASEBALL team, coached by Sam Tassio, won a shaky 3-2 opener against Port Huron Friday—a contest that was marred by nine errors.

It took a brisk rally in the last inning to break a 2-2 tie and put it away for pitcher Mike Davis. The hurler went all the way for Seaholm, striking out eight batters and allowing only two hits.

Stu Forrest struck the decisive blow in the seventh as he belted a long sacrifice to right field to bring Jim Foster in from third.

Forrest scored the first run of the game in the third inning following two consecutive Porter Huron errors. He also drove in the other run in the fifth with a triple to deep right center field.

THE COUNT stood at 2-1 in favor of Seaholm until the top of the final inning when Port Huron rallied to tie the score.

The team will play Roseville there at 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the Maple trackmen win their third and fifth consecutive Eastern Michigan League dual meet victories.

At East Detroit, Jack Harvey set a new school record of 12 1/2 in the shot put which replaced his previous mark of 65' 6 1/2" at the Mansfield Relays.

ANOTHER record fell to the mile relay team of Jack Trumble, Dave Kennedy, Dan Edson and Ray Johnson, which was clocked at 3:34.3.

The mark replaced an old school record of 3:34.2 and a Maple field record of 3:35.3.

The Maples captured eight firsts in beating Port Huron and swept the shot put and javelin.

Harvey was first with a heave of 14' 10". Greg Cooper placed second and Rick Snyder third with the shot. Ken Evangelista (10-8), Neal Bortman (10-9) and Mark Richards (10-0) captured all three stunts in the pole vault.

OTHER TOP finishers included Bob Drotzler in the 100-yard dash, 17 seconds; Johnson in the 440, at 50.4; Bob Drotzler, 24 seconds in the 800; Dave Kennedy, 2:00.38 in the mile run.

The team of Drotzler, Stan Catter, Kim Bateman and Johnson set a new track record—1:34.1—in the 800 relay. Kennedy's 880-yard run was also a track record.

Registrations will begin Monday for the Birmingham YMCA backyard swimming program. Eight weeks of classes for boys and girls begin June 17.

The requirements for participation in this program are a "Y" membership, plus a registration fee and a minimum height of 40 inches. Classes are small with 11 children as the maximum.

Qualified instructors with either leader examiner qualification from the YMCA or a water safety qualification from the Red Cross will be in charge of each class.

MEMBERS of the community donate their backyard pools each summer for this use. The following persons have offered their pools for the use of the YMCA this summer:

Allen E. Nelson, 16221 Beechwood; C. Bouchard, 579 Tooting Lane; Gerald W. Dickson, 7282 Mohanic Drive; A. H. Otis Jr., 473 Puritan; E. A. Halton, 4832 Beach Road; Thomas King, 503 Shirley Dr.; Robert H. Foley, 32350 Eastday.

Victor Dekubyni, 1348 Yosemite; Mrs. Kenneth Daniels, 3819 Berkshire Drive; Mrs. C. Gerald Barone, 1851 Crosswick Road; J. L. Brown Jr., 3958 Cottonball Lane; O. Green, 16991 Beechwood; U. G. O'Rourke, 18844 Hillcrest; Mrs. J. Stephanie, 6975 Castle Drive; and Ole M. Schutte, 32015 Beverly Circle, all of Birmingham.

at Seaholm High School that would be open to junior and senior high school students in the Birmingham School District.

Seaholm was chosen as the locale because the school has an indoor-outdoor pool, a patio that has never been used, and supplementary recreational facilities such as tennis courts, a baseball diamond and a cinder track.

The plan is to be implemented by the department of recreation, which will furnish picnic tables and record player and supply supervisory personnel.

The pool will be reserved for Teen Club members from 1-3 p.m. Monday through Saturday, June 17-Aug. 10; and the patio adjacent to the pool will be furnished by the physical fitness council.

A CONCESSION area with light refreshments will be set up outside the pool and patio enclosure and will be open to the members before and after the two-hour swim period.

Here's the catch.

Enrollment is limited to 200 teens and all applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. All students who are interested must register in advance at the recreation office by May 24.

The program is also expected to attract summer school students taking courses at Seaholm who finish classes at noon.

"If the program is successful," said Mrs. Compton, "we hope to duplicate it the following summer at Derby and the new Berkshire Junior High School so that full use of recreational facilities will be made throughout the year."

THIS IS not the first venture into the realm of physical fitness for the council.

Last year the group recommended a pilot program for physical fitness involving 65 elementary school boys. The program, supervised by Carl Penzaback and the Birmingham Schools Physical Education Department, was listed as an unqualified success.

This summer the program is being expanded to include a similar number of elementary school girls (ages 9-12) and 65 junior high school boys.



SAM TASSIO
Maple Baseball Coach



Homer Davidson of Seaholm takes a lusty cut at an offering by Port Huron pitcher Chuck Ingram. The Maples defeated the Big Reds, 3-2, in the season opener Friday.

Project '63: A Summer Teen Center

By DAVE PHILPO
Sports Editor

A fun place for teenagers to congregate.

This is the underlying goal of a venture now under way that may prove a boon to the youth of Birmingham during the hot summer months.

The idea of a teen center in the



Discussing plans for a summer teen center at Seaholm are (from left) Pat Flaherty of Marian High School; Mrs. William Compton, chairman of Youth Fitness Council; Don Martin, recreation director; and Jay Shutt of Seaholm.



AL PROCTOR
... won the 440.

Springdale Ladies Open Golf Season

The Springdale Ladies' Golf League will get off for the first time this year at 12:30 p.m. today, boasting an addition of two teens to the league.

Officers of the 12-team group are June Yardley, chairman; Jane Piggott, co-chairman; Carol Ranser and Isabel Himehoch, co-treasurers; Irene Munn, rules; and Pat Fiol, publicity.

Cranbrook Steals One; Batters' Win Another

Cranbrook won two baseball games, lost a dual track meet to Ecorse, 63-46, and dropped a tennis match, 4-1, in spring sports action last week.

The diamond men eked out a 1-0 victory over Hamtramck on Thursday and then traveled to Pittsburgh Saturday to take the measure of league opponent Shady Side, 7-1.

Hutler John Billeston pitched a three-hitter against Hamtramck, striking out 11 batters and walking two. Dick Mosher collected the only hit, a single, but it did not figure in the scoring.

THE CRANE tally came on a double steal in the first inning after the Hamtramck pitcher had hit two batters and the lead runner had been advanced to third on a fielder's choice.

In the Shady Side contest, Mosher gave up two hits and struck out 11 in what proved out to be a slug-fest for Cranbrook. The Cranes exploded for four runs in the fifth and three more in the sixth.

Facing the 12-hit attack were Guy Bramble, with a single and double, four RBIs; Mosher, four hits, one of which was a triple; Dave Schiltz, three singles; and Bill Powell, a single and a double.

BILLESDON accounted for a triple and Dale Bosley got a single. The tennis team lost to Shady Side, 4-1. The doubles team of Jim Alexander and Jay Gardner won their match, 6-1, 6-2. Captain Jim Conrad carried his singles opponent to 15-13 in the first set before losing, and was beaten in the second.

Crane tinclads captured four first places and Jess Brewer set a new school record in the low hurdles, but it was not enough to keep Cranbrook from tasting its first defeat in track.

BREWER POSTED a time of 13.3 seconds in the hurdles event; Steve Way won the high jump at six feet; Elliott Andrews took the 800 in 2:23.9; and Douglas Green placed first in the shot put with a heave of 49' 5".

Cranbrook had won its first four starts before running up against the strong Ecorse contender.

The tracksters will compete in the Central Michigan Relays Saturday and the baseball and tennis teams travel to Cleveland for action against Western Reserve.

WDGA Holds First Tourney On Tuesday

Tuesday is the opening day of play for the Women's District Golf Association and the first tournament will be held at Essex Golf and Country Club in Sandwich, Ontario.

Mrs. John Hume of Birmingham, the 1962 Women's District Stroke Play champion, is a member of the host club. Many of Birmingham's better women golfers are expected to compete in the tournament.

WARREN ORLICH, pro at Tam O' Shanter Country Club and Horton Smith, Detroit Golf Club, were guests of honor at the WDGA annual luncheon and seminar Wednesday at the Detroit club.

Mrs. Fred M. Brook of Bloomfield Hills, WDGA president, acted as mistress of ceremonies and conducted the general meeting.

BASEBALL IS ONE EXCEPTION

Falcons Top Cherry Hill

By DAVE PHILPO
Sports Editor

Groves saw a lot of Cherry Hill last week—and with one exception—was elated by the visit.

Three teams of Falcons did

battle with a like number from the Dearborn school and the Birmingham boys came out second in only one contest—a baseball game.

The Falcons trackmen defeated Cherry Hill by the embarrassing score of 103 1/3 to 5 2/3; the tennis squad won, 6-1; but the diamond crew was nipped, 6-4.

Needless to say, (my apologies to Coach Ray Vavruska for mentioning the score) Groves won all the events.

FRANK JANKIE set a new school record in the 880 with a time of 2:11.8. Jim Spischer did likewise in the mile run. He was clocked at 4:51.6.

Also setting a new mark was the mile relay team of Don Novak, Junkie, Neil Grenadier and Greg Norris with a time of 3:41.8.

Three sophomores—Jeff Schubel, Frank McCracken and Doug Jardine—swept the low hurdles. Schubel's time of 21.2 was also a new school mark.

Other winners included Jarline, 15.2 in the high hurdles; Don Tye in the 100-yard dash, 11 seconds; Al Proctor, 54.5 in the 440; Steven Green in the 220, at 25 seconds; Jim Samonen, 8-5, in the pole vault; Grenadier, 43-10 in the shot put; and Kirk Olson, 5-4 in the high jump.

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LIMITED to just two hits, the Falcons were handcuffed until the final inning when they scored all four runs on a combination of a fielders choice, three walks and a double.

George Ghazal, the catcher, knicked in two of the tallies on a pop-bagger to left center field. Rob

Vihbert collected the only other hit, a single.

Wally Kanak started on the mound for Groves. He was relieved after five innings by Charley Mitchell who worked the remainder of the game.

All six runs were charged to Kanak, hampered by wildness during the early stages of the contest.

COACH ED Mirer commented that his boys were hitting the ball on the nose, but they all seemed to go right at somebody.

Several times the Falcons threatened to score but could not get the runs across, leaving the runners stranded on base.

The Hoston game was rained out Monday and may be re-scheduled for Friday. The team will play Riverdale here at 4 p.m. Monday.

Coach Tom Carson's tennis squad scored an easy 6-1 victory over Cherry Hill.

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RAY VAVRUSKA
Falcon track mentor



Tom Bartholomew soars through the air with the brace of a gaspelle to win a second place in the high jump for Groves.

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