

Recreation Round-Up

MUNICIPAL ICE RINK
The competitive figure skating meet originally scheduled at the municipal rink for Sunday has been cancelled due to a lack of entries. Rehearsals are beginning for the annual "Skaters Holiday" ice show which will be held on Saturday, Feb. 29 at 7:30 p.m. More than 180 skaters will participate in this year's show which is based on a "Roaring Twenties" theme. Most of the children completing the skating classes in February will be featured in the show along with members of the Figure Skating club. For further information on the show or ice rink activities call the recreation office, MI 4-1807.

THERAPEUTIC SWIMMING
Swimming sessions for the physically handicapped are held each Wednesday from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Derby pool. Anyone interested should register at the Recreation office, Municipal Building.

LADIES SLIM TRIM
Registrations are still being accepted for the current series of ladies' exercise classes held on Monday evenings at the Seaholm gym. For further information call MI 4-1807.

SENIOR MEN'S CLUB
One of the most important functions of this August group of men is visiting members who are ill. Fred Floeter, chairman of the committee is charged with this responsibility and has this to say: "If we don't know that you are sick we cannot call upon you." Fred's phone number is 646-1519. Members who are ill or know of another who is ill are requested to phone Fred about it.

At tomorrow's meeting the entertainment will be a sound-color movie entitled "Fishing for Fun".

Pontiac Northern Rolls to 79-66 Win Over S'field

Southfield dropped its third Inter-Lake game in five starts to powerful Pontiac Northern Friday, 79-66.

The loss dropped the Blue Jays into fourth place with a 2-3 record. Pontiac and Farmington share first place with identical 4-1 records.

JERRY REESE and Roger Hayes combined to score 44 points for Northern and provide the winners with a comfortable 16-point lead throughout most of the second half. Rich Smigelski led Southfield, now 4-6 overall, with 14 points.

Northern led 22-15 at the end of the first quarter and held a 44-38 halftime advantage. They outscored Southfield 17-13 in the third stanza to sew up the win.

The Detroit Lions and Chicago Bears played two games in 1962 and neither team scored a touchdown, the Lions winning 11-8 in Detroit on three field goals and a safety, while the Bears won 3-0 in Chicago.



Grunts and groans were plentiful in the Groves-Country Day wrestling meet Friday. The two schools hooked up in one of the tightest duals of the season. Groves won the meet when they captured the last two events on pins, after trailing by eight points. This action occurred in the JV meet as Falcon Ken Gordon got a grip on Country Day's Mike Borin.

Falcon Matmen Trip Country Day, 26-24

Groves and Country Day squared off in one of the season's most exciting wrestling meets Friday, with the Falcons coming out on top, 26-24.

Groves, trailing by eight points going into the last two matches, needed two pins to win or one pin and a decision to tie. Falcon's Woodsum and Kaweki, in the 182-pound and heavyweight classes, each pinned their opponents to provide the margin of victory.

Groves faces Oak Park tomorrow, while Country Day meets Northville Tuesday. Elsewhere on the wrestling scene, Cranbrook suffered its third loss of the year, bowing to Lake Orion, 30-19.

CRANE HEAVYWEIGHT Tom Barlow scored the only pin of the meet for Cranbrook while Lance Leithauer (127) and John Goodman (145) won on decisions to keep their unbeaten string intact.

Southfield was trampled by Pontiac Northern in an Inter-Lake contest, 31-0. The Blue Jays won the 105, 164 and 180-pound divisions on decisions.

Sports Calendar

- BASKETBALL**
Friday: Austin at Brother Rice, Thurston at Bloomfield Hills, Brighton at Fort Hayes, West Bloomfield at Northville, Southfield at Waterford.
Tuesday: Oak Park at Cranbrook, Country Day at Emmanuel Christian.
WRESTLING
Today: Oak Park at Groves, Waterford at Southfield.
Tuesday: Redford Union at Cranbrook, Southfield at 80 Dundee.
SWIMMING
Friday: Mt. Clemens at Seaholm, Farmdale at Groves.
Wednesday: HOCKEY
Monday: Detroit Cathedral at Cranbrook.

Pistons-Warriors Clash in Season's Lone Doubleheader

Area basketball fans will have an opportunity to see the season's only National Basketball Association doubleheader in Detroit tonight. The red-hot Cincinnati Royals square off against the New York Knickerbockers at 7:15 p.m., followed by the evening's feature at 9:15 p.m. when Wilt Chamberlain and the San Francisco Warriors tackle the Detroit Pistons.



MR. GROUNDHOG LOOKS AROUND. A weatherman only in legend.

Groundhog Day Has Shadowy Past

By DICK ZEMMIN, Sports Editor

This Sunday, Feb. 2, the animals have the final word. At least the groundhog does.

According to legend, the groundhog, better known in Michigan as the woodchuck, will awake from his winter-long sleep, crawl out of his den and look around for his shadow.

If he sees it, six more weeks of winter are in store for local residents and Mr. Groundhog will head back underground to curl up again.

But, if the day is overcast and no shadow is seen, the woodchuck yawns and stretches and prepares for spring, which is supposed to be just around the corner.

THIS IS ALL according to legend. Actually, the woodchuck is a deep sleeper during the winter, a true hibernator, and the odds are heavy he won't disturb his nap.

Instead of coming up to do any weather forecasting on Feb. 2, he'll stay in his den where he's been since fall. When the snow is gone and tender shoots begin sprouting up in the fields, only then will he pop his head out of his underground hideaway.

The groundhog goes into a sound sleep from which he can't be awakened unless he is warmed up. His body temperature has been known to drop near a freezing during hibernation.

His heartbeat is reduced to four or five pulses a minute and his respiration rate to about one a minute.

THE GROUNDHOG usually builds his winter den on the side of a hill or wooded area with only one opening. This allows good drainage so he won't be washed out of bed during the long winter sleep.

About two feet long and ranging in color from yellow-brown to almost black, the groundhog's body is heavy with strong claws and feet for digging. A member of the squirrel family, the woodchuck is also called "whistler" because he makes a shrill whistling sound when alarmed.

But, despite the known facts about the groundhog, the old-wives' tale of the animal and his shadow still lingers. Many people today still believe that a sunny Feb. 2 means a longer winter. So, let's hope for clouds this Sunday!

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Bloomfield Skiers Capture 1st Place

Bloomfield Hills skiers swept six of the first seven places to finish first in the boys' competition against Thurston and Kettering in a recent Mt. Holly Ski League triangular meet.

Geoff Smith took individual honors for Bloomfield Hills with runs of 19.3 and 19.0 seconds for a combined time of 38.3 seconds.

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Eight Area Women Compete in Seventh Annual Bonselpiel

The Detroit Rockettes, women's division of the Detroit Curling Club, will have their seventh annual Bonselpiel on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 6 and 7, at the Club on West Forest Avenue in Detroit.

Twenty-four rinks from the United States and Canada will be competing in the tournament, each rink playing two eight-end games per day; the winning rink to be awarded The Alandt Trophy.

Local area women participating in the Bonselpiel are: Mrs. Lester Childs, Rockettes President, of Bloomfield Hills; Mrs. J. C. Ailingham of Southfield; Mrs. Laurence Herman of Bloomfield Hills; Mrs. C. H. Erbacher and Mrs. Robert Mair of Lathrup; Mrs. William MacLachlan of Buckingham; Mrs. Donald Patterson of Pickwick and Mrs. Donald Richard of Birwood, Birmingham.

Gail Cogdill of the Detroit Lions has caught at least one pass in every regular season game in his three-year NFL career.

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